Regional School Unit 78  
School Board Meeting Agenda  
November 9, 2021 at 6:00 p.m.  

Masks are required for all those in attendance  
Live Stream Link –  
https://m.youtube.com/channel/UCEo1pVagQ1Xhc4h96QAbfVQ/videos

Kathleen Catrini, Dallas Plt   P   Deborah Ladd-V. Chair, Rangeley   P  
Joanna Farrar, Dallas Plt   P   Amber Haley, Rangeley Plt   P  
Kayla Alexander, Rangeley   P   Joanne Dunlap, Rangeley Plt   P  
Chris Farmer, Rangeley   P   Mary Richards-Chair, Sandy River Plt   P  
Wesley Dugan, Rangeley   P   JoAnne Taylor, Sandy River Plt   P  
Karen Seaman, Rangeley   P   Mya Laliberte, Student Rep   P  

Quorum: 997/997

1. Call to Order 6:00PM

2. Pledge of Allegiance

3. Adjustments to the Agenda  
Holly Austin presentation postponed  
Executive session on personnel issue (9.4)

4. Approval of Minutes for October 12, 2021  
Motion Kathy Catrini, Second Deb Ladd  
10 aye; 1 abstention

5. Public Comments

6. Presentations:  
Holly Austin, “Bullying”  
Abby Thompson, “American Association of School Libraries National Conference” (see YouTube recording for presentation)

6. Chair, Superintendent, Principal and Student Representative Comments  
Chair: welcome Kayla Alexander, new board member. Goal setting continues to progress with board. Two goals will be standing items on the agenda going forward.  
Superintendent/Principal: At the PreK – 2 level, doing a book club on new science and practice of reading and teaching reading. 3038 cases in school and 161 school are in outbreak status. Surrounding schools are still dealing with active cases. We have been lucky and attributed to pooled testing and masks. For the foreseeable future, at least through Christmas break, will proceed as we are now. Language added to handbook regarding after school activities. Comes directly from state SOP. Winter sports protocols will come at the December meeting.  
Principal: Quarter closed on 11/5. K-2 progress reports will go home in student folders. 3-12 will use PowerSchool. Teams are doing parent teacher conferences in the coming weeks. Parents should be looking for notices regarding that. High School wrapped up the first phase of The Project. Students have had 11 different learning experiences in the first quarter. For their initial assessment they have been asked to choose 3 experiences and reflect on them. Meeting with Foster Tech to implement a pilot program to have FTC come to RLRS for a six week immersion program with middle school. Early release Tuesdays is still being worked out.  
Student Rep: Soccer season ended. Girls made it to Southern Maine championship. Little Shop of Horror is next weekend at the Lakeside Theatre. 19 & 20 7pm, 21 at 2. Cannot pre-buy tickets. Must buy at the door.
7. Committee Reports
7.1 Policy Committee: - K. Catrini Met Monday, November 1. Began review of policies from 2018 and have two action items below. Next meeting is Monday, December 6 at 3:00PM
7.2 Finance Committee: - C. Farmer Met at 5pm before school board meeting. New agenda that will be shared in advance. Good discussion on what expenditures are tracking up and down. Doing well considering all the unknowns, costs, and labor shortages. Budget process will begin in January. Meeting dates and times will be posted on the website.
7.3 Facilities Committee: - D. Ladd Met on first Thursdays of every month. Went over the Turner Report and updated it. Have a wish list on 1, 5 and 10 year plans.

8. Appointments, Resignations, Nominations and Transfers:
Lori Muzzy and Dennis Muzzy have resigned
Kim Snow has transferred into the Kitchen Supervisor position
Sharon Oliver has accepted an Ed Tech III role in Special Education

MS Boys Basketball: Robert Balch
MS Girls Basketball: Kelly O’Neil

9. Action Items:
9.1 Consideration of Functional Movement Pilot Program – Lindsey Savage
   Motion Chris Farmer, Second Kayla Alexander
   Unanimous vote; motion carries
9.2 Motion to rescind policy IHA-Basic Instructional Program
9.3 Motion to rescind policy IHBEA-Program for Limited English Proficient Students/LAU Plan
   Motion to rescind IHA and IHBEA
   Motion Chris Farmer, Second Joanna Farrar
   Unanimous vote; motion carries
9.4 Executive Session: personnel issue
   Motion to enter executive session. Board requests the presence of Heidi Deery
   Motion Chris Farmer, Second Kathy Catrini
   Motion to resume to resume board meeting
   Motion Chris Farmer, Second Kathy Catrini

   Motion to accept the employment agreement of the school therapist for the remainder of the school year
   Motion Chris Farmer, Second Joanne Dunlap
   Unanimous; motion carries

   Motion to adjourn Kathy Catrini, Second Karen Seaman
   Unanimous; motion carries

Adjourn 7:32PM

Next meeting: December 14, 2021

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