

ANDOVER SCHOOL DEPARTMENT
ANDOVER SCHOOL BOARD MINUTES
Wednesday, July 14, 2021, at 5:00 PM- Meeting Room

Members Present: Chairperson, Paula Lee; Tim Akers; Pete Coolidge; Betty Davis; Lora Owings

Members Absent:Lora Owings

Staff Present: Susan A. Pratt, Superintendent of Schools

Guests Present:None

A. Call to Order:by Paula Lee at 5:04 PM

B. Election of Board Chair and Vice Chair:

Supt. Pratt accepted the nomination of Paula Lee as Chair.

Motion: Tim Akers Second: Pete Coolidge Vote: Yes: 4 No:0

Paula Lee accepted the nomination of Betty Davis as Vice Chair.

Motion: Pete Coolidge Second: Tim Akers Vote: Yes: 4 No:0

C.Pledge of Allegiance:recited by all

Swore in Pete Coolidge temporarily until he can get sworn in by clerk.

D. Adjustment to Agenda

Discussion:Add an item for Remote Academy participation under H.

Motion: Paula Lee Second: Pete Coolidge Vote: Yes: 4 No:0

D. Visitor's Comment-None

E. Communication:Reminded all newly elected Board Members that they need to be sworn in at the Town Office.

Motion to recess for a tour of the school to review summer projects: Paula Lee

Seconded: Tim Akers Vote: Yes: 4 No: 0

Recessed at 5:10 PM

Reconvened at 5:23 PM

F. Approval of the Minutes of June 9,2021

Discussion:

Motion to approve: Paula Lee Second: Betty Davis Vote: Yes:4 No:0

G. Board Training: Supt. Pratt reviewed the Board's operational policies as training. : Supt. Pratt reviewed key operational policy with the Board and reviewed the requirements of Freedom of Access required training. Most of these policies are in section B of the Policy Book.

H. Staff Reports

Superintendent of Schools Report :

Remote Learning Academy: Supt. Pratt detailed the regional Remote Academy offered as a program of Western Maine Regional Service Center. She will be the lead Superintendent very part time for this service. The system has reserved 1 slot for next year that will be available if needed. There will be a total of 148 slots for pre-K to 12 and system will recommend students to fill these slots. There are 5 school system purchasing slots in the newly created program.

Motion that the Andover School Department authorize the Superintendent to purchase Remote Academy Program services from the Western Maine Regional Service Center for Fiscal Year 2021-22 on such terms as the Superintendent deems appropriate: Paula Lee
Seconded: Betty Davis Vote: Yes-4 No-0

Update on Debt Service Factor- Supt Pratt shared the billing Andover School Depart. had received from RSU 44. She is questioning the amount and will continue to follow-up on this. Board members shared their recollection of the withdrawal discussions and how they interpreted at the time. Supt. Pratt will follow up with our legal representative during the withdrawal as needed for clarification on this matter.

Projects update- Generator,Boiler, Floor, and Roof: Brief discussion of anticipated competition of projects. All are coming along nicely.

Staffing updates- Music and Art, Nurse: Supt. Pratt is working on options if no candidates come forth for these positions.

Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Grant- AES has received funding for next year under this USDA grant program through the Maine Food Service Program.

Meeting Dates for 2021-2022-

Motion to accept those as printed: Paula Lee

Seconded: Betty Davis

Vote: Yes-4 No- 0

Principal's Report

None

I Committees:

Transportation and Facilities Committee: Pete Coolidge and Tim Akers

Finance Committee: Betty Davis, Tim Akers, and Paula Lee-Need to make sure our finance provider is using the correct school email to access signature of the finance committee.

Region 9: Pete Coolidge-Pete Coolidge shared that Region 9 has requested approval for a Plumbing Program and that is in the works. He also shared that there will be some staffing changes for Adult Education because of resignation of the director and assistant. Region 9 will again be offering Adult Education this fall.

Personnel- Betty Davis, Paula Lee and Lora Owings- Will meet in the future.

J. Announcements

- Meeting Schedule

Wednesday, August 11, 2021	Regular Board	AES- 5:00 PM
Wednesday, September 8, 2021	Regular Board	AES- 5:00 PM

K. Adjournment

Motion to adjourn: Paula Lee

Second:Betty Davis

Vote: Yes:4 No:0

Time:Adjourned at 6:56 PM

Respectfully submitted,



Susan A. Pratt, Superintendent