

**SURRY SCHOOL DEPARTMENT
SCHOOL COMMITTEE MEETING
Thursday, July 6, 2017 – 5:00pm
SURRY ELEMENTARY SCHOOL**

Members Present: Michelle Berger, Pat Jencks, Joan Welgoss, Don Driscoll, Mary-Beth Mitchell

Members Absent:

Others Present: Mark Hurvitt, Pat Hollenberg, Laura Johns, Becky Poole, Lynn Bonsey, Linda Conley, Courtney Weaver

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 4:59pm by Chair, Joan Welgoss.

2. Consideration of the Minutes of the Meeting on June 6, 2017

A motion was made by Mary-Beth Mitchell, seconded by Pat Jencks, to approve the minutes of the June 6, 2017 meeting. Vote: 5-0.

3. Pledge of Allegiance

4. Public Comments

None.

5. Review of Agenda

A motion was made by Don Driscoll, seconded by Michelle Berger, to approve the agenda after omitting 8.1 (DARE Program Discussion) and combining 8.3 and 8.4 (5th Grade Teacher Nomination, Ed Tech III Nomination, Math and Music and Spanish Teacher Hires) Vote: 5-0.

6. Communications/Reports

A. Chairperson

Pat Jencks, Michelle Berger and Joan Welgoss attended a School Board law conference in Bangor.

B. Possible Teacher Presentation

Becky Poole: GT/Visual Arts

Becky handed out the Union 93 GT brochure. There are 4 students identified in Surry. Union 93 visits museums and art studios with GT kids. Board saw a need to communicate this with parents, as they hadn't heard about it.

C. Administration

1. Principal's Report

The Principal's Report was read by Joan Welgoss as Fred Cole was on vacation. It was handed out and is attached to the office minutes.

2. PTCO Report

Cathy Lloyd reported: Rock Lobster Relay went really well.

3. Superintendent's Report

Received 3 thank you letters: 1 from GSA thanking Jordan Fund of Surry for the 4 scholarships; 1 thank you from Hannah Jordan and 1 thank you from Silvia Zeamer for their scholarships.

4. Jordan Fund/Adams Fund

1) June 14, 2017 Special Town Meeting Followup

Mr. Hurvitt reported that both articles passed unanimously.

Continued on page 2.

**Surry School Committee Meeting Minutes – July 6, 2017 – Page 2.
Reports (continued)**

7. Old Business

1. Discussion of Support Staff Letter (cont'd from June meeting)

Much discussion of Surry pay/benefits compared with Blue Hill, Brooklin, Brooksville, Bucksport, Castine, Deer Isle, Ellsworth, MDI, Penobscot and Sedgwick. There are really no apples to apples comparisons. The only real conclusion is that Surry is the only town working on a benefits cap, not a percentage. Thus, a motion was made by Michelle Berger, seconded by Mary-Beth Mitchell to change Surry's package to: 95% single subscriber Anthem BCBS Choice Plus and 100% of single Delta Dental, plan 5, and have this prorated for part time people. This is for 2017-2018. Vote: 4-1. (Pat Jencks)

2. Adams Fund Request for 2017-2018

A motion was made by Mary-Beth Mitchell, seconded by Michelle Berger, to accept the \$2,699.33 proposal from Linda Conley, Librarian. The school will receive 11 books per month. Vote: 5-0.

8. New Business

1. DARE Program Discussion

This discussion was omitted at this time.

2. Accept \$500.00 Donation from Rock Lobster Relay

This will be an August agenda item. (Last year the Board and the PTCO split \$350.00/\$150.00)

3 and 4. 5th Grade Teacher Nomination, Ed Tech III Nomination, Pre-K Ed Tech and Music Teacher Hires

Informed Board on Courtney Weaver as the new 40% Middle School Math teacher and Jillian Liversidge as 40% Spanish teacher.

9. Other Business

A. Requests for Information

None.

B. Future Agenda Items

- 1) Accept \$500.00 Donation from Rock Lobster Relay
- 2) Nominations for 5th Grade Teacher, Ed Tech III, Pre-K Ed Tech II, Music
- 3) Set September Board Retreat Date
- 4) Brown's Busing Representative & Approve 2017-2018 Drivers (Andrea Brown)
- 5) Maintenance and Grounds "Walk Around" (September)
- 6) Athletic Director Job Description
- 7) Approve 2017-2018 School Handbook
- 8) Approve School Lunch Prices for 2017-2018
- 9) Approve School Physician for 2017-2018

C. Warrant Signatures

The warrants were signed.

10. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 5:41pm by Chair, Joan Welgoss.

Respectfully submitted,

Mark E. Hurvitt
Superintendent of Schools