EUSTIS SCHOOL DEPARTMENT TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 10, 2020 MINUTES

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- I. Call to order Casey Cote, ChairJ. Brickley absent.
- II. Pledge of Allegiance
- III. See if the Board will approve the minutes of the 9/15/20 Board Meeting? S. Strunk motioned to approve. D. Richards seconded. Vote in favor: 4-0.
- IV. Welcome Guests Stephanie Kelly was present.
- V. Superintendent's Report

Mike mentioned to the board that we will be purchasing a new school bus this year, noting to replace one of the busses we had while we were with SAD #58. We will plan to use the reserve for this purchase.

Mike also mentioned the amount of time now spent on Covid. Susan in our business office has 8 schools that they service and she spends about 80% of her time on Covid. Mike noted that we received Covid money but that we are not spending just to spend. There is a lot of time spent by Barry working on grants.

Sarah noted that maybe there should be a position in the future for a good grant writer.

Sue asked if the Covid money received will effect next year's budget? We are a minimum receiving school and we don't receive much state aid. Barry is more concerned about the impact on the budget two years from now.

- VI. Principals Report Barry first reported that he had sent the board an email of school updates in October where we didn't meet that month.
 - 1. Remote Learning: Barry noted that unless the Governor tells us we can't be here, we will most likely be here in some fashion. Currently on Remote Learning Days, Pre-K, K and Gr. 1 are attending at school. This is considered Hybrid learning. Students in Gr. 2-8 are working independently at home and the teachers feel it is going very well. There are a few that do not have internet at home or any parent at home due to them having to work.

While our county was under Green, we tried to offer an outdoor soccer program for middle school and only had 3 sign up. Franklin County is now yellow so our After School Program has been cancelled with the exception of a sewing group of 4 girls that will continue with Mrs. Butler and Ms. Flight.

2. Consideration of hiring a P.E. Teacher: Barry mentioned that Stephanie Kelly has been with us now for 5 years and he recommends her to replace Mat Brown as P.E. Teacher. Stephanie has a degree in Physical Education and will cover P.E. on Monday and Tuesday. Wednesday – Friday she works with Mrs. Butler in Math for middle school. Barry hopes that the board will approve the hiring of Stephanie for this position.

VII. School Board Chair's Report

1. Sidewalk to school discussion: Casey noted that Wesley, Paxton and Kirstin Wardrick recently attended a Planning Board meeting and discussed the possibility of a sidewalk to school. The Planning Board gave good feedback. They thought they could at least start with putting in some crosswalks and getting Peter Farnsworth involved. Casey will be attending another meeting and will get an update.

VIII. Public Comment

- IX. Discussion Items
 - 1. Adjustment to the Agenda

X. Action Items

- 1. To see if the Board will approve the hiring of Stephanie Kelly as P.E. Teacher? S. Strunk motioned to approve. S. Fotter seconded. Voted in favor: 4-0.
- 2. To see if the Board will enter into Executive Session to discuss a Personnel Matter? (1 MSRA 495(6)(1) S. Strunk motioned to approve. D. Richards seconded. Vote in favor: 4-0.

XIII. Adjournment – 6:05 p.m.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:05 and the board went into Executive Session. The board came out of Executive Session at 6:55 p.m.