EUSTIS SCHOOL DEPARTMENT TUESDAY, JUNE 6, 2023 MINUTES

- I. Call to order Casey Cote, Chair
- II. Pledge of Allegiance
- III. See if the Board will approve the minutes of the 5/9/23 Board Meeting? J. Brickley motioned to approve. D. Richards seconded. Vote in favor 4-0. (S. Strunk was absent for the May meeting and therefore didn't vote.)
- IV. Welcome Guests
- V. Principal's Report
 - 1. School Updates Tabitha noted that we are in need of a long term substitute teacher as well as bus drivers. We had a successful baseball and softball season. The Spring Celebration will take place on June 7. There will be student artwork on display, music performance, garden dedication as well as 10-year Anniversary of being an independent school district.
 - 2. Safety Audit-RJ Goan Co. as well as the Sherriff's department will do a safety audit walk through of the school on Monday, June 12th.
 - 3. Staffing We are still in need of an extra Ed. Tech., but there is no candidate at this time.

VI. Superintendent's Report

- 1. Town Audit Barry thanked the town for getting their audit done.
- 2. Negotiations Update Teacher negotiations are pretty close but still haven't settled and are hoping to have a tentative contract for the August meeting.
- 3. Barry also reported that he will have a 3-5 year plan for the school at the August board meeting.
- 4. Barry noted that he had looked into getting a couple of heat pumps for the building but will put that off for another year due to the gym renovation.
- 5. Barry also mentioned with Jim Bellwood retiring this year we are short a bus driver. At present we have one bus driver for the fall, which may result in parents transporting to and from Stratton School as we need to provide transportation to Mt. Abram High School. A staggered start time may be considered.

VII. School Chair's Report

VIII. Public Comment – Rachel Williams was present to talk about the school lunch program and students being refused lunch. She noted that her son was late to lunch and was refused to be served. It was felt by all that no one would be refused food at any time and that the situation would be looked into.

IX. Discussion Items

X. Open Bids for Gym Renovation –Barry noted that we have set aside \$50,000 from the Capital Reserve Fund for the Gym wall repair. We advertised and only received one bid. Our goal is to have the wall taken care of this summer as there is water leaking as well as mold developing.

Casey Cote opened the one bid that we received from Restorations Home Remodeling with a bid of \$55.150.00 for the project. It was felt by the board that this bid could be accepted once references are contacted.

X. Action Items

1. To see if the board will consider approval to accept the bid of \$55,150 from Restorations Home Remodeling for the Gym Renovation, upon positive approval of references? J. Brickley motioned to approve. S. Fotter seconded. Vote in favor 5-0.

XI. Adjournment