

DRAFT-SUBJECT TO REVIEW AND APPROVAL AT NEXT BOARD MEETING

**Stratford School Board
Board Meeting
April 10, 2019**

The Stratford School Board had a board meeting on Wednesday, April 10, 2019 at 6:00 pm, at the Stratford Public School in Stratford, NH. Present were: Wayne Hall, Kyle Haley and James Kennett. Also present were Superintendent Mike Kelley, Business Administrator Patty Brown, Special Education Director Michelle Mason and Principal Sandi Adams.

Mike Kelley called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm.

Mike Kelley then asked for school board chair nominations.

A motion was made by James Kennett and seconded by Kyle Haley to nominate and approve Wayne Hall as the school board chair. A vote was then taken and all were in favor.

Wayne Hall then asked for school board assistant chair nominations.

A motion was made by Wayne Hall and seconded by Kyle Haley to nominate and approve James Kennett as the school board assistant chair. A vote was then taken and all were in favor.

A motion was made by James Kennett and seconded by Kyle Haley to approve the public board minutes of February 13, 2019 as presented. A vote was then taken and all were in favor.

Public Comments: Joe Hakey asked about the gun laws regarding school property. Mike Kelley responded that as of right now guns are not allowed here in Stratford, but the state is going back and forth with law changes. The board is waiting to see what the state decides on before they change policy.

Sandi Adams presented her report and had nothing to add at this time.

Michelle presented her report with changes. There was an out of district placement change and the numbers stated for identifications has changed; Pre-K is now 0 and IEP now has 1 referral that just came in.

Shane Cloutier's technology report was presented with no changes and nothing to add at this time.

Patty Brown presented her business report and reviewed the estimated yearend fund balance of \$100,000. Patty also discussed tuition rates for the 2019/2020 school year. Stratford has typically taken the elementary state average for cost per pupil and added \$500 to come up with their tuition rate. The proposed tuition rate for 2019/2020 would be \$16,481.

A motion was made by James Kennett and seconded by Kyle Haley to approve the K-8 tuition rate of \$16,481 for the 2019/2020 school year. A vote was then taken and all were in favor.

Mike Kelley presented his superintendent report and spoke about the hiring process/committee for the principal position. The committee will consist of one board member, two teachers, two parents/community members, Janice Oaks and himself.

Mike Kelley then addressed a letter that was received from Tim Brooks about the February 1st deadline for choice tuition notifications. Tim was not aware of the date and asked for the board to accept his late

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notification. The board asked how the parents are notified. The Stratford School will now print the tuition agreement in the handbook that is given to all parents/students.

The tuition agreement does state if Stratford and Northumberland are not notified of the choice by February 1st, Stratford will still be liable for 1/3 of that expected tuition to Northumberland if the student does not attend because of choice. Mike Kelley will speak to the Northumberland board about this situation and get back to the Stratford board next month.

A motion was made by James Kennett and seconded by Kyle Haley to accept the official retirement notice from Sandi Adams as of June 30, 2019. A vote was then taken and all were in favor.

A motion was made by James Kennett and seconded by Kyle Haley to approve the nominations of professional staff and administration as presented. A vote was then taken and all were in favor.

A motion was made by James Kennett and seconded by Kyle Haley to approve the overnight field trip to AMC on June 10, 11 & 12 as presented. A vote was then taken and all were in favor.

A motion was made by James Kennett and seconded by Kyle Haley to go into nonpublic for personnel and student discussions RSA 91-A: 3 II (c) at 6:30 pm. James-YES, Kyle-YES and Wayne-YES.

Parents discussed with the board a timeline of events regarding their child, both personal and school related.

The board listened and came up with ideas to resolve their concerns.

A motion was made by Wayne Hall and seconded by James Kennett to come out of nonpublic at 7:06 pm. A vote was then taken and all were in favor.

A motion was made by James Kennett and seconded by Kyle Haley to adjourn the meeting at 7:08 pm. A vote was then taken and all were in favor.

These minutes were respectfully submitted by Patricia Brown