

**EASTPORT SCHOOL DEPARTMENT
MEETING OF THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE
WEDNESDAY, MAY 19, 2021
6:00 P.M.
SHEAD HIGH SCHOOL**

Members Present: Walter Cummings, Melissa Lawrence, and Jessica Andrews

Members Absent: Cynthia Morse and Meg McGarvey

Staff Present: Superintendent Kenneth Johnson, Principal Paul Theriault, Assistant Principal Roberta Clark, and Catherine Lee

Others Present: Edward French, *Quoddy Tides*

A. Call the Meeting to Order

The meeting was called to order at 6:05 p.m.

B. Adjustments to the Agenda:

Facilities review will be deleted, an executive session on personnel, and to reappoint Kimberly Vogel and Laurie Sullivan will be added to the agenda. It was moved by Jessica Andrews, seconded by Melissa Lawrence and voted unanimously to rearrange the agenda.

C. To Approve the Minutes of the April 28, 2021 School Committee Meeting, as Written or with Corrections, as Recommended by the Superintendent of Schools

It was moved by Melissa Lawrence, seconded by Jessica Andrews, and voted 2 – 0 – 1 (Jessica Andrews was absent) to approve the April 28, 2021 school committee meeting minutes as written.

D. Administrative Reports:

1. Principal – Eastport Elementary School and Shead High School – Principal Paul Theriault reviewed his report. A discussion centered on allowing cars at graduation, seating, families grouped in front, and cars in back.

2. School Committee – Jessica Andrews asked about JMG. Mr. Johnson reported he has spoken with the JMG president and money will be put in the 2023 supplemental budget to bring back JMG. Walter Cummings asked

about the full-time social studies position. Principal Paul Theriault stated we have three applicants. The June meeting will have Zoom access. It was moved by Melissa Lawrence, seconded by Jessica Andrews, and voted unanimously to revisit Zoom access in August.

3. Superintendent – Superintendent Johnson provided an update from MDOE on protocols; spoke about student vaccinations; noted he met with the City Manager; reported that DECH cancelled contracts with Calais Regional Hospital and appointed Julie Hardy as speech language clinician; stated the Learning Recovery Program is a part of the ESSER III grant; and noted he is meeting with administrators tomorrow.

E. Old Business

There was no old business.

F. New Business

1. To Consider the Reappointment of the Following Teachers for 2021 – 2022:

a. Kimberly Vogel

It was moved by Melissa Lawrence, seconded by Jessica Andrews, and voted unanimously to reappoint Kimberly Vogel for 2021 – 2022.

b. Laurie Sullivan

It was moved by Melissa Lawrence, seconded by Jessica Andrews, and voted unanimously to reappoint Laurie Sullivan for 2021 – 2022.

2. To Consider Voting on the CACFP/Afterschool Food Program

It was moved by Melissa Lawrence, seconded by Jessica Andrews, and voted unanimously to opt out of the CACFP/Afterschool Food Program.

3. To Consider the First Reading of the Following Policies:

a. AC, Nondiscrimination/Equal Opportunity and Affirmative Action

It was moved by Melissa Lawrence, seconded by Jessica Andrews, and voted unanimously to approve the first reading of policy AC, Nondiscrimination/Equal Opportunity and Affirmative Action.

**b. GBP, Earned Paid Leave, GBP-R, Earned Paid Leave
Administrative Procedure**

It was moved by Melissa Lawrence, seconded by Jessica Andrews, and voted unanimously to approve the first reading of policy GBP, Earned Paid Leave, and GBP-R, Earned Paid Leave Administrative Procedure.

4. To Consider Activating Contingency for Facilities Maintenance

It was moved by Melissa Lawrence, seconded by Jessica Andrews, and voted unanimously to approve activating contingency for facilities maintenance.

5. To Continue a Discussion on the Draft Budget

It was moved by Melissa Lawrence, seconded by Jessica Andrews, and voted unanimously to adopt the Eastport School Department draft budget for 2021 – 2022.

6. To Consider Entering an Executive Session Pursuant to Statutory Citation [1 M.R.S.A. ss 405 (6) (A)] to Discuss a Personnel Matter

It was moved by Melissa Lawrence, seconded by Jessica Andrews, and voted unanimously to enter executive session at 8:00 p.m.

Time Out – 9:00 p.m.

Post Executive Session Action:

There was no post executive session action.

G. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 9:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

**Kenneth Johnson, Superintendent
Secretary, ex-officio**