

**BATH VILLAGE SCHOOL - BOARD MEETING**  
**February 6, 2017**  
**Bath Village School Library**

**Board Members Present:** Matthew Mulcahy (5:40 pm), Ryan Youngman and Angela Bemis

**Administration Present:** Laurie Melanson, Kathryn Ducharme and Bernice Burroughs.

**Public Present:** Carissa Fadden, Heather Engle, Scott Champagne, Tom White, Bernie Prochnik.

Youngman called the meeting to order at 5:35pm.

**Sign Manifests:** The board signed the manifests as presented.

**Agenda Review:** An item for the 2017-2018 school calendar was added.

**Public Input:** Scott Champagne & Tom White, who were representing the Lisbon Lion's Club, spoke to the board about their low numbers for their bitty sports programs (grades k-6) in Lisbon and their invitation for Bath students to participate in sports activities that are not offered at Bath in Lisbon. A contact sheet, which included the Lion's Club website, was left with Burroughs and given to Bernie Prochnik, the Town librarian.

**Approval of Minutes:** Mulcahy made a motion to approve the minutes of the January 16, 2017, meeting as submitted, seconded by Youngman, all in favor.

**Administrators Reports:**

Laurie Melanson, Superintendent: The Superintendent's report was included in the board packet. Melanson distributed an information sheet which outlined current State budget issues which effect local school budgets.

Kathryn Ducharme, Business Administrator: The Business Administrator's report was included in the board packet. The board reviewed the updated budget information. Prochnik questioned the amount of money in the budget which is appropriated for the Town library. She indicated that she felt this amount should have been higher. The Board indicated that when they met with the Town Select Board they indicated that \$5,000.00 was the amount of money they were looking for in order for the BVS students to continue using the library. The board further indicated that they had to include transportation costs to transport the students to the library and a stipend for a library/media specialist as required by the State. Prochnik inquired about the possibility of Haverhill's new buildings having an

impact on Bath. The board indicated that the only possible impact would be tuition costs and that tuition is has historically been set on an annual basis.

Bernice Burroughs, Principal: The Principal's report was included in the board packet. Burroughs read an email she had received from Valerie Sununu regarding the 6<sup>th</sup> grade's act of kindness and her request to visit the school and present the students with an award.

Nancy Schloss, SPED Director: The SPED Director's report was included in the board packet.

Bert Vines, Facilities Maintenance Manager: The Facilities Maintenance Manager's report was included in the board packet.

**2017-2018 Budget Review and Discussion:** This item was previously covered under Ducharme's report.

**Warrant Articles:** The board indicated that due to the 2017-2018 budget being proposed, and the expectation that there will not be a fund balance this year, they would not be requesting any special warrant articles for funds to be deposited into trust accounts.

**Lisbon tuition Agreement Discussion:** The board tabled this item until after the Annual meeting.

**2017-2018 School Calendar:** The board reviewed a draft of the 2017-2018 school calendar for the first time.

**Public Input:** Prochnik spoke to the board regarding an after school STEM program that would be starting at the library the following week.

**Next Meeting:** March 16, 2017 at 5:30 pm. Annual School District Meeting will be at 7:00 pm.

**Non-Public:** None

**Adjournment:** Mulcahy made a motion to adjourn at 6:25pm, for the Annual Budget Hearing, seconded by Bemis all in favor.

Respectfully submitted,

Angela D. Bemis