

**DEEP RIVER ELEMENTARY SCHOOL
BOARD OF EDUCATION REGULAR MEETING
REMOTE MEETING
NOVEMBER 18, 2021 7:00pm**

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CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Ms. Morrissey at 7:00p.m.

VERBAL ROLL CALL FOR BOE MEMBERS

Deep River BOE	Administration
Miriam Morrissey	Brian White
Pat Maikowski	Bob Grissom
Betsy Scholfield	Sarah Brzozowy
Tracy Dickson	Lauren Feltz
Bob Ferretti	
Alyson Whelan	
Scott Hallden	
Absent: Marc Lewis, Lenore Grunko	

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Mr. White opened the floor for the nominations for the office of chairman.

A motion was made by Tracey Dickson to nominate Miriam Morrissey as the Chairman of the Deep River Elementary Board of Education. Pat Maikowski seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Chairman Morrissey opened the floor for the following nominations:

A motion made by Pat Maikowski to nominate Bob Ferretti as the Vice Chair of the Deep River Elementary Board of Education. Tracy Dickson seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

A motion made by Miriam Morrissey to nominate Tracy Dickson as the Secretary of the Deep River Elementary Board of Education. Pat Maikowski seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

The Supervision District representatives will be Miriam Morrissey, Bob Ferretti and Pat Maikowski.

Committee assignments will be discussed in the future when meeting dates are confirmed. Mr. Ferretti will stay on Building and Facilities, Ms. Maikowski will be on negotiations along with Miriam Morrissey. Miriam Morrissey will also be on the calendar committee.

Ms. Morrissey welcomed our newest member Alyson Whelan.

Ms. Morrissey asked members to notify her with concerns regarding in person meetings.

CONSENT AGENDA

Upon a motion duly made by Betty Scholfield and seconded by Pat Maikowski the Deep River Board of Education unanimously **VOTED** to approve the minutes from the regular meeting of September 13, 2021 and the Accounts Payable report.

PUBLIC COMMENT

No Comment

REPORTS and OTHER ITEMS:

Superintendent's Report

District Update

Mr. White gave a brief update. A vendor to conduct a building study is being secured. The purpose is to have a long term assessment of capital needs for all buildings. Capacity and a review of HVAC and all mechanical systems are also included in the study. A recommendation will be presented at the next Joint Board of Education meeting. Contract Negotiations are in process for six groups of employees. Mr. Ferretti suggested that the electricity study data be updated for budgeting purposes. Natural gas bills will also be reviewed for the budget workshops.

Information and Communication

No additional report.

Financial Reports

No additional report

Sharing of Superintendent's Goals

Mr. White discussed his goals. Five year goals will be discussed and presented to our communities and schools.

Assistant Superintendent's Report S. Brzozowy

General Update

Ms. Brzozowy gave a brief status. She is visiting DRES classrooms and talking to teachers. Professional Development on November 3rd brought all three elementary teachers together to discuss what is happening across all schools. Students are getting used to the routine of being in school.

2019-20 Performance Profile Report for DRES

Ms. Brzozowy discussed the 2019-2020 Performance Profile Report for DRES. She discussed absenteeism. This is data from two years ago. Outplacement was discussed. This may have been removed from the state reporting. Data for the number of students who have not returned to school was requested. Discussion held as to whether there may be an influx next Fall. This is being monitored very carefully.

ESSER Grants Update

The school has received approximately \$249,000 in ESSER funds. Two areas of focus for the district for the use of these funds is math intervention and social and emotional well being. The building study will also be funded. There will be an ongoing review process for these funds.

Finance Office Report**Financial Status Updates****Current Year to Date Financial Status Update FY-21-22**

Mr. Grissom gave an update on the financial status. This reporting is through October 2021. All financial obligations are expected to be met. Various questions were answered by Mr. Grissom.

Cafeteria Fund Update

Mr. Grissom gave a brief update on the cafeteria reporting. The grant reimbursement is 99% of the revenue. A new refrigerator has been requested for a number of years. The Town has discussed providing this.

Medical Reserve Tracking

Net favorable results have been realized for the beginning of the year. Conversations during labor negotiations are occurring regarding insurance. The insurance representative feels the district is well funded.

Grants Update

No additional update.

ADM Calculation Methodology

Mr. Grissom gave an overview of the methodology for the ADM calculation.

Principal's Update**Opening of School**

Ms. Feltz gave a brief update. She thanked the BOE for their service. Ms. Feltz gave an update on activities which occurred this Fall. She welcomed the new instrumental music teacher. This position is a shared position.

Committee Reports

Joint committees have not met.

Supervision District:

A transportation update was given. Acceptance of donations occurred.

DRES Facilities (Buildings and Grounds) Committee

First Selectman McDonald will arrange for a refrigerator for the school. The roof repair will occur this Spring.

The playground structures were installed in 2000. They are at the end of their lifespan.

Other Committee Reports
LEARN Committee Report

No report at this time.

Discussion regarding and Pending Policies

None Pending.

PUBLIC COMMENT

No Comment

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

8.1 Next Joint BOE meeting December 2, 2021 at 7:00pm

8.2 DRES BOE Meeting next Regular is January 20, 2022 at 7:45pm

ADJOURNMENT

On motion duly made and seconded the Board unanimously **VOTED** to adjourn at 8:05pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kelley Frazier, Secretary