

**SCHOOL ADMINISTRATION UNIT #64
JOINT SCHOOL BOARD MEETING
WEDNESDAY, MARCH 30, 2016
PAUL SCHOOL LIBRARY
PUBLIC SESSION**

Wakefield School Board:

Norma Joy, Steve Brown, Bonnie Cyr, Relf Fogg, Bob Ouellette

Milton School Board:

Douglas Shute -Chairman, Brandy Banks, Stefanie Berry, Lue Snyder, Paul Steer

Administration:

Michael Tursi – Superintendent of SAU #64, Nathan Castle – Financial Manager,
Anne Kebler – Student Services Director

Visitors:

Larry Brown
Sandy Johnson

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Michael Tursi called the meeting to order at 6:04pm. Paul steer led everyone in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Board Re-organization:

Bonnie Cyr made the motion to nominate Bob Ouellette for Joint School Board Chairman. Brandy Banks seconded the motion. The board voted as follows: Ouellette – yes, Banks – yes, Brown – no, Cyr – yes, Fogg – yes, Joy – yes, Shute – yes, Steer – yes (7-1-0)

Relf Fogg made the motion to nominated Brandy Banks for Joint School Board Vice- Chairman. Paul Steer seconded the motion. The board voted as follows: Ouellette – yes, Banks – yea, Brown – yes, Cyr – yes, Fogg – yes, Joy – yes, Shute – yes, Steer – yes (8-0-0)

- ◊ Michael Tursi stated that the Joint School Board may dissolve the policy committees since the SAU will be separating in 2017.
- Relf Fogg asked if the two school boards share the same policies. Are the policies identical.
- ◊ Michael Tursi replied that the SAU Joint School Board has the same policies as in the individual district policy manuals. There are differences between the two districts in their own manuals.

Bob Ouellette made the motion to enter the nonpublic session pursuant to RSA 91-A:3II a,b. Bonnie Cyr seconded the motion. The board voted as follows: Ouellette – yes, Banks – yes, Brown – yes, Cyr – yes, Fogg – yes, Joy – yes, Shute – yes, Steer – yes (8-0-0)

Bonnie Cyr made the motion to conclude the nonpublic session at 6:28pm. Brandy Banks seconded the motion. The board voted as follows: Ouellette – yes, Banks – yes, Berry – yes, Brown – yes, Cyr – yes, Fogg – yes, Joy – yes, Shute – yes, Steer – yes (9-0-0)

Public Comment:

◦ Larry Brown stated that it is his understanding that Massachusetts dropped their standards in favor of Common Core, what will Wakefield do since Wakefield is following Massachusetts standards.

- Norma Joy answered that Wakefield is using Massachusetts standards.
- Relf Fogg stated that Wakefield is using the Massachusetts standards prior to 2010.

◦ Priscilla Colbath asked Nathan Castle if he found out the buyout for the copier. The copier was mentioned at the last meeting. It will only be used for one year.

- Nathan Castle replied the buyout was the same amount if they were to lease it. The price is approximately \$1800.00.

Minutes of the meeting 12-30-15:

- Relf Fogg made the motion to accept the public minutes of December 30, 2015 as amended. Bonnie Cyr seconded the motion. The board voted as follows: Ouellette – yes, Banks – yes, Berry – abstain, Brown – abstain, Cyr – yes, Fogg – yes, Joy – yes, Shute – yes, Steer – yes (7-0-2)
- Bonnie Cyr made the motion to accept the nonpublic session minutes of December 30, 2016. Brandy Banks seconded the motion. The board voted as

follows: Ouellette – yes, Banks – yes, Berry – abstain, Brown – abstain, Cyr – yes, Fogg – yes, Joy – yes, Shute – yes, Steer – yes (7-0-2)

Financial Report:

Expense Report through March 24, 2016

- Douglas Shute asked if everything was encumbered.
- Nathan Castle explained that everything was not encumbered, Technical Services and Maintenance Agreements.
- Bonnie Cyr asked the cost for Technical Services.
- Nathan Castle replied Maintenance was a backup for \$4446.00. The technology services were blackboard for \$3150.00.
- Douglas Shute stated that if they are contracted they should have been encumbered at the beginning of the year. Were the two items contracted at the beginning of the year.
- Nathan Castle replied that the two services were contracted at the beginning of the year.

Revenue Report through March 24, 2016

- Steve Brown asked what will happen to the grants, some of them are a year and a half behind. Will the grants be settled before the separation of the two boards? What will happen if the government does not pay the grant money before the separation?
- Nathan Castle replied that it is only the IDEA grant and it ends on June 30, 2016. The audit will be completed in September and the monies will be separated into the proper districts.
- Bonnie Cyr stated that it will be part of the separation committee to keep track of the monies coming into the new SAU for Wakefield.
- Anne Kebler stated that the IDEA grant ends June 30, 2016 and closes out sixty days after that date.

Treasurer's Report:

- Bonnie Cyr made the motion to accept the treasurer's report for February, 2016. Brandy Banks seconded the motion. The board voted as follows: Ouellette-yes, Banks – yes, Berry – abstain, Brown – no, Cyr – yes, Fogg – no, Joy – yes, Shute – yes, Steer – yes (6-2-1)

2016-2017 revised budget for review and approval:

◇ Michael Tursi explained that the School Administrative Unit #64 is using a default budget. The voters in Wakefield approved the SAU budget, but the voters in Milton voted against the budget. The total aggregates of the votes were in the no, so a default budget will be used for fiscal year 2017. Michael Tursi made revisions. The variance between the budget FY 17 and the default budget FY 17 is \$9236.73 less than the proposed budget. The revised budget will go into effect July 1, 2016.

Relf Fogg made the motion to approve the revised budget for the SAU #64 approved by the voters. Bonnie Cyr seconded the motion. The board voted as follows: Ouellette – yes, Banks – yes, Berry – yes, Brown – yes, Cyr – yes, Fogg – yes, Joy – yes, Shute – yes, Steer – yes (9-0-0)

MRI Contract for Review and Approval:

◇ Michael Tursi stated that the current contract ends June 30, 2016 and would like to contract one more year with MRI.

◦ Brandy Banks asked how many years have they been using MRI?

◇ Michael Tursi replied they have been using MRI for two years.

◦ Steve Brown asked if the only difference was the reduction in hours.

◇ Michael Tursi replied the only other change in the contract is under Fees and Charges. They added the paragraph above Fees and Charges.

Paul Steer made the motion to accept the MRI contract. Norma Joy seconded the motion. The board voted as follows: Ouellette – yes, Banks – yes, Berry – yes, Brown – yes, Cyr – yes, Fogg – yes, Joy – yes, Shute – yes, Steer – yes (9-0-0)

Steve Brown made the motion to adjourn the public session of the Joint School Board meeting at 6:48pm. Norma Joy seconded the motion. The board voted as follows: Ouellette – yes, Banks – yes, Berry – yes, Brown – yes, Cyr – yes, Fogg – yes, Joy – yes, Shute – yes, Steer – yes (9-0-0)

Respectfully submitted,
Mary Collins
Milton School Board Secretary

These minutes are a draft until approved.