

HART'S LOCATION SCHOOL BOARD
DRAFT MINUTES
November 23, 2021

Josiah Bartlett Elementary School

In attendance: Helen Brandon, Nancy Ritger, Kevin Richard

1. The meeting was called to order by Chair Helen Brandon at 8:00 am
2. Approval of Minutes (9-14-21)
 - a. Helen Brandon moved to approve the minutes, seconded by Nancy Ritger.
Vote: Helen Brandon-yes, Nancy Ritger-yes (2-0-0)
 - b.
3. Business Affairs-
 - A. Signing of Manifest-
4. Administrator's Report-
 - A. Legislative Update on Special Education Funding- Kevin Richard provided an update on SB 147. Pam Stimpson has been in contact with the NH DOE to see if Hart's Location is eligible for special education funding. There are two options that are being looked into that may be eligible to towns that have less than one thousand residents. The other option is to combine with other similar towns to create a "risk pool" that may be eligible for funding. The State of NH is looking at allocating up to \$250,000 for this purpose if there are unexpended special education funds left over. At this time there is no further guidance. Kevin shared an email response from the NH Department of Education officials.

Kevin reviewed the current conditions of COVID. The number of cases is very high and some schools have moved operating conditions from yellow to red. This means that more stringent mitigation measures are put into place. Bartlett Elementary School is still operating in yellow with sporadic cases.
5. Any Other Business
 - a. Set date for Next Meeting- The next meeting will be January 11, 2022 at 8:00 am. The meeting will take place at Josiah Bartlett Elementary School.
 - b. Set Date and Time for School District Meeting- The School District meeting will be on March 8, 2022 at 4:30 pm at the Hart's Location Town Hall.

- c. Set Date and Time for Budget Hearing- The Budget Hearing will be February 8, 2022 at 4:00 pm at the Hart's Location Town Hall.
 - d. Cooperative School District Planning Committee (December 2nd at 6:00 pm, Conway Professional Development Center)- Even though Hart's Location does not have membership on the committee, the meeting is open to the public. This topic was discussed among the board members. It does not make sense for Hart's Location to be part of a cooperative high school as there aren't enough students to justify it, but it would be beneficial if the tuition rate was more reasonable for the few students that are residents.
4. Adjournment- Helen Brandon moved to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Nancy Ritger. **Roll call vote: Nancy Ritger-Yes, Helen Brandon-Yes (2-0)**. The meeting was adjourned at 8:18 am.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'K. R.', with a small dot at the end of the second letter.

Kevin Richard
Superintendent of Schools