

## FSAS Board Meeting Minutes- 11/17/2022

### 1. Call to Order

- Board Members present: Ben Kramer, Joe Mattos, Susan Doughty. Absent – Kim Allen.  
Others present: Jacinda Cotton-Castro and Jennifer Merrill (FSAS RTI Coordinator).

### 2. Public Comment

- None

### 3. Additions/Changes to the Agenda

- Review recommended changes to the Technology Acceptable Use Policy – IJNDB-R

### 4. Approve Board Meeting Minutes

- *Motion to approve Minutes as presented: Ben Kramer (1<sup>st</sup>) and Susan Doughty (2<sup>nd</sup>) Vote 3-0*

### 5. Reports

- Executive Director: See written report.
- Principal Report: See written report.
- Board Chairperson: See written report.
- Committee Chairpersons:
  - Health/Wellness Committee: See written report.
    - New theme regarding wellness to be communicated each month. November is about adequate restful sleep.
    - Looking into other wellness options for the School-wide Team.
    - Kim Allen stated that she would like to join this committee as a parent rep.
  - Finance Committee: See financial reports. Ben Kramer stated that it is going to be a “tight year” and FSAS budget will be running down to the wire.
  - Education Committee: See written report.

### 6. Old Business:

#### 6.1 Review and Take Action on Fiddleheads Communicable/Infectious Diseases Policy JLCC

- Susan Doughty, Chair – Recommended additional language to policy JLCC which would incorporate the standards of COVID policy into existing JLCC policy. Policy JLCC would now include COVID expectations.
- Discussion: Board members discussed how the present Covid requirements would align with policy JLCC.
- *Motion to accept new policy language as presented: Sue Doughty (1<sup>st</sup>); Ben Kramer (2<sup>nd</sup>) Vote 3-0*

### 7. New Business:

#### 7.1: Review and Discuss NWEA Student Performance Results (Fall Testing 2022)

- Jenn Merrill (RTI Coordinator) presented FSAS student data for grades 2-8 based on recent (October 2022) NWEA results. Math and Reading scores were compared for the past several years to identify areas of growth or no growth. All schools are currently being normed based off 2017 NWEA data. Jenn presented recommendations (professional development, etc.) for increasing students’ achievement levels in 2022-23. Another round of NWEA will be conducted in January 2023. Student data will again be reviewed with the Board at that time. See presentation notes.

#### 7.2: Review and Discuss Fiddlehead School Goals for 2022-2023

- Executive Director Jacinda Cotton-Castro presented to the Board a draft of School-Wide Goals 2022-2023 for discussion and approval. Goals were compiled into categories which included: Administrative Team Responsibilities, Teaching and

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Learning, Operations, Committee Work, Marketing, External Communications, and Development. Priority areas and goals were identified and highlighted in the document. Goals were based on information obtained from the FSAS Comprehensive Needs Assessment and MCSC-FSAS Annual Monitoring Report 2021-22. The Board approved the goals and looked forward to Jacinda's monthly update regarding progress in meeting identified goals.

### 7.3: Technology Acceptable Use Policy IJNDB-R(added to agenda.)

- Recommended changes to Policy IJNDB-R were proposed by Val Buteau (Technology Coordinator) and Keonna Greer (Principal). Specific changes included 1. allowing grades 6 – 8 students to use personal technology devices (gaming systems, smart watches, cell phones, etc.) on the school bus, and 2.) allowing grades 6-8 students to take laptops home. Several questions and concerns were raised about these proposed changes. Neither Val or Keonna were available to address the questions and concerns. Board will reconsider proposed policy changes at the December meeting.

## 8. Other

### 8.1: Comments or Questions

- None

### 8.2: Next Board Meeting

- Thursday, December 15, 2022 at 6:00 p.m. (in-person)

### 8.3: Proposed Agenda Items for December 15th Board Meeting

- Discuss Acceptable Technology Use Policy

## 9. Executive Session

9.1: To enter into Executive Session pursuant to 1 M.R.S.A. 405(6)(A) to discuss assignment of officials, appointees, or employees

- *Motion to go into Executive Session: Sue Doughty (1<sup>st</sup>) and Ben Kramer (2<sup>nd</sup>) Vote 3-0 (8:23 pm)*

Board Returned to open session at 8:39 pm

*Motion to approve new FSAS employee as recommended by Jacinda Cotton-Castro: Sue Doughty (1<sup>st</sup>) and Ben Kramer (2<sup>nd</sup>) Vote 3-0*

## 10. Adjournment

- *Motion to adjourn meeting: Ben Kramer (1<sup>st</sup>) Susan Doughty (2<sup>nd</sup>): Vote: 3-0 (8:40 pm)*

Respectfully Submitted,

Joseph Mattos