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**Joint
Kearsarge Regional School Board
Municipal Budget Committee
Public Meeting
Kearsarge Regional School District
June 6, 2019**

I. Call to Order	The Chair called the meeting to order at approximately 6:30pm.
II. Pledge of Allegiance	Members recited the Pledge of Allegiance.
III. Roll Call	<p>School Board Members Present: Ken Bartholomew, Art Bobruff (arrived at 6:37pm), Emilio Cancio-Bello, Bebe Casey, Ben Cushing, Alison Mastin, Dick Wright; Beth Perkins (KREA Representative); Lea Brunette, (Student Representatives)</p> <p>Absent: Faith Minton, Andrew Pinard</p> <p>MBC Members Present: Peter Anderson, Richard Anderson, Jim Bibbo, Robert DeFelice, Brian Dumais, Luke Gorman, Robert Hemenway, Tom Schaumberg</p> <p>Absent: Jon Sevigny</p>
Public Hearing	<p style="text-align: center;">Public Hearing – Appropriation for Unanticipated Funds</p> <p>Mr. Bartholomew opened the hearing.</p> <p>As required per NH RSA 198:20-b, III, The Kearsarge Regional School Board will conducted a hearing regarding unanticipated revenue funds from Title I, Title II and Title IV Educational Grants, and will vote on whether to accept.</p> <p><i>Mr. Cancio-Bello made the motion to accept Title IVA funds in the amount of \$35,077.13 for the 2018-2019 school year and \$40,193.12 Title IVA funds for the 19-20 school year. Mr. Cushing seconded.</i></p> <p>There was no public comment.</p> <p><i>The motion carried 5-0-0.</i></p> <p>Mr. Bartholomew closed the hearing.</p>
IV. Approval of Minutes	<p><i>Mr. Cancio-Bello made the motion to approve the Public Session Minutes of May 23, 2019 as written. Ms. Mastin seconded. The motion carried 5-0-0.</i></p>
	<p><i>Chair:</i> Mr. Bartholomew reminded members and attendees of the School Funding forum at KRMS on June 19th at 6:00pm. He encouraged all to attend. He also informed attendees that the Conval lawsuit resulted in the decision that state funding was unconstitutional and the remedy for the legislature is to fund in a constitutional manner. It was noted there is a school funding forum at the middle school on June 19th at 6:00pm.</p> <p><i>[Dr. Bobruff arrived at this time.]</i></p> <p><i>Superintendent:</i> Mr. Feneberg reported the Board Retreat on June 1st was a productive meeting with extensive discussion of past, present and future issues</p>

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concerning the district and its students. The Strategic Plan and annual School Board goals were reviewed along with other suggestions by individual Board members. There was consensus not to add more goals, but to delve deeper into existing goals as well as to give teachers time to practice what's been newly introduced. Senior Expo at the high school was an impressive array of student work and application of learning. There were interesting discussions with individual students explaining the content, process and outcome of projects. CRTC graduation took place in Concord on May 29th. Our student in the career and technical track celebrated the completion of their programs. Virtually all of the about 200 students rose when asked if they had secured employment, further training, or college options before leaving the program. KRHS sends about 40-50 students to this program.

Mr. Feneberg reported he had the privilege to be a Rotary Leader at New London Elementary School. He read to Kristin Lizotte's first grade the book "Charlotte and the Rock". Afterwards, each child in the class was presented with a free book courtesy of the New London Rotary Club.

The athletic banquet at the high school took place on Sunday honoring student athletes and coaches. The Booster Club organized the festive event that celebrated individual and team successes during the year.

The Superintendent invited all member to attend the year end district breakfast on Tuesday, June 18th at 7:30am.

Graduation is Saturday, June 15th, at 10:30am at the high school. KADP graduation is Monday, June 17th, at 7:00pm.

Mr. Feneberg recognized our student representatives thanking them for their service and talking their roles seriously and contributing the student voice component to our meetings. He stated their presence and input is valued and is a huge commitment. He hoped they took away some good experience and life lessons. Mr. Feneberg also introduced our newly selected representatives: Kate Kelly, incoming senior, and Nina Spinney, incoming junior.

The Superintendent requested Board approval to grant him permission to hire over the summer. ***Dr. Bobruff made the motion to grant the Superintendent or his designee to hire over the summer months. Mr. Cancio-Bello seconded. The motion carried 5-0-0.***

The Superintendent presented nominations. ***Mr. Cancio-Bello made the motion to approve the nominations of: Peter Terwilliger as teacher at New London Elementary, Leia Simoni as teacher at Simonds, Jennifer Kane as teacher at New London Elementary and Joanne Belanger as French teacher at KRMS. Dr. Bobruff seconded. The motion carried 6-0-0.***

Mr. Feneberg also informed members of the new hires of Jennifer Rein as social worker, and Jessica Dietel and Morgan Rice as occupational therapists.

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Assistant Superintendent: [Report attached].

Mr. Bessette presented a sole source purchase recommendation for \$71,000 as part of a three-year contract for the Center for School Climate and Learning.

Mr. Cancio-Bello made the motion to approve the sole source purchase recommendation for the Center for School Climate and Learning in the amount of \$71,000 as presented. Dr. Bobruff seconded. The motion carried 5-0-0. Dr. Bobruff made the motion to approve the budgetary transfer in the amount of \$91,659.00 as presented. Mr. Cancio-Bello seconded. The motion carried 5-0-0.

Business Administrator: Mr. LeBoeuf reported on General Fund Estimated Expenses for 18-19.

Mr. Cancio-Bello made the motion to approve the purchase recommendation of School Furnishings in the amount of \$19,867.50 as presented for classroom replacement chairs at KRMS. Mr. Cushing seconded. The motion carried 6-0-0.

Mr. LeBoeuf briefly addressed a Project/Expenditure List (projects not budgeted); Mr. Fleury will address this list further in the report.

Dr. Bobruff made the motion to accept the purchase recommendation for Dead River in the amount of \$2,055/gallon for fuel oil as presented. Mr. Cancio-Bello seconded. The motion carried 6-0-0.

Staff Representative Report: The New London kindergarten classes visited Billings Farm in Woodstock, VT. This trip brought all their learning about farms and farm animals to life. Our kindergarten classes have also enjoyed visits to Tracy Library recently. They sat for a story, had a tour and learned about the Summer Reading Program. Thank you Kearsarge School District for supporting so many enriching learning opportunities for our students. Members of Sutton's fifth grade class wrote an anti-bullying rap and worked with Ms. Hilary Grimes to create this video. Students created all their own lyrics and messages to support anti-bullying messages in the school. Sutton's annual Book Fair and Special Friends Luncheon was held last Friday, May 31st. They had over 135 family friends and members join for three different lunch sessions. It was a great family environment for all! Ruby Hill and other teachers at KRHS are attending a workshop at the NH Department of Education where they learning about the new College Board portal for Advanced Placement teachers and students. The teachers anticipate this portal will be very helpful because there are practice questions for students and scaffolding tools for teachers to help students gradually improve their skills on free response question. Over the past two years, working with 800 schools across the nation, the College Board has been piloting changes aimed at increasing access to, and improving performance in, AP courses. KRHS Music welcomed Dr. Mike Annicchiarico, Professor of Music from UNH, in to work with the Jazz Lab Class and Music Theory 2 today. In Jazz Lab Band, the students improvised over a blues progression and he gave them feedback on their solos. In Music Theory 2, the students are

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	<p>writing four-part (soprano, alto, tenor, and bass) chorales and then arranging them for their final project. With the class, he worked on the senior's chorales and gave feedback on what worked and didn't and why. He also gave ways to fix the mistakes. And finally, as the school year comes to a close, the students and staff of Kearsarge would like to thank the School Board and the Municipal Budget Committee for their extraordinary dedication of time and care to the learners of the Kearsarge district.</p> <p><i>Student Representative Report:</i> Ms. Brunette reported that Seniors recently had their class trip to Six Flags. Senior finals have started and underclass finals begin next Wednesday. She thanked members of the Board for having her participate on the Board this year.</p>
<p>VI. School Presentations</p>	<p><u><i>KRMS Eighth Grade Field Trip to Washington, D.C.:</i></u> Mr. Paterson gave members a copy of the itinerary. He wished to thank Laurie Prewandowski, Jim Tucker and Erica McCullough for their efforts in making this trip such a success this year. The school orchestrates this trip and has stopped using tour companies for the past four years. He stated 184 people attended, 148 of which were students. There were a few who stayed behind, but not for financial reasons. Mr. Paterson thanked the Board and MBC for their support of this trip. The cost to families this year was \$350. However, with Board support and donations, anyone who needs financial help gets it. He felt this trip was a good value and a lot of activities have also been added. Students no longer go to Six Flags, but visit the National Zoo instead. Mr. Paterson introduced two students: Lily Cicoria and Samantha Frazee, who shared their experiences. Both students felt the trip was well-planned, educational and fun. Each had their favorite experiences which they shared. Mr. Bessette added the Culture and Climate Survey showed significant financial diversity in our district, and Board support of this trip levels the opportunity gap for students.</p>
<p>VII. Public Comment</p>	<p><i>None</i></p>
<p>VIII. New Business</p>	<p><u><i>A. Data Governance Plan:</i></u> Mr. Schaub presented a PowerPoint and shared the Data Governance Manual for member review. <i>Mr. Cancio-Bello made the motion to adopt the Data Governance Plan as presented. Dr. Bobruff seconded. The motion carried 6-0-0.</i></p> <p><u><i>B. Facility Purchase Recommendations:</i></u> Mr. Fleury presented information regarding the Simonds playground project. The PTO contribution raised about \$30,000. The cost to the district is \$18,000. Dr. Stokes thanked the PTO for their huge effort in making this happen. Dr. Stokes spoke to the specifics of the playground equipment. A climbing piece for older children has been chosen and relocation of the swing set has been established and a six-person teeter-totter installed. The Simonds PTO, with the assistance of administration, have worked with vendors over two years to find a viable solution to Simonds unique topography. The playground will be updated to Primex standards the summer of 2019. <i>Mr. Cancio-Bello the motion to accept the purchase recommendation from Ultiplay Parks and Playgrounds in the amount of \$47,424.00 as presented, of which \$30,000 raised by the PTO and \$17,424.00 expended by the school district. Dr. Bobruff seconded. There was some discussion. The motion carried 6-0-0.</i></p>

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Mr. Fleury presented a budget transfer. He noted the transfer is \$5,000 more as he wanted to ensure there needs to be funds for repairs to substructure flooring in the 1870 building. ***Mr. Cancio-Bello made the motion to approve the budgetary transfer as presented up to \$53,700.00 from fuel transportation into Simonds capital. Dr. Bobruff seconded. The motion carried 6-0-0.***

Mr. Fleury brought forward a sole source Honeywell purchase recommendation for three elementary office a/c unit installations (Bradford, Sutton, Warner) ***Mr. Cancio-Bello made the motion to approve the purchase recommendation for a/c units from Honeywell in the amount of \$17,000 as presented. Ms. Casey seconded.***

There was considerable Board and MBC discussion regarding budgeted items, non-budgeted items paid from surplus, and funds being returned to taxpayers. Mr. Fleury further explained the issue of the flooring at Simonds School; the flooring is about 150 years old.

The motion carried 6-0-0.

Mr. Fleury reviewed the Project/Expenditure List (projects not budgeted). Mr. Fleury addressed items on this list to include: replacement of the KRHS FPE panel replacement in the amount of \$33,380.80, the purchase of the Knoxland tractor in the amount of \$39,920.00, the Simonds and Sutton cameras in the amount of \$30,000, the high school auditorium electrical upgrade transfer in the amount of \$10,000, the detached roofs at Simonds and NLES in the amount of \$68,000 and the high school resource center LED upgrade (including rebated) in the amount of \$13,577.00.

There was an extensive discussion regarding the monitoring of security cameras. It was suggested the costs of split screens be examined. Also suggested was to talk with building staff about the viability of monitoring cameras continuously.

Mr. Bartholomew suggested roof repair and replacement be discussed in some detail with the MBC. Currently, funds from the trust have not be utilized, but taken from surplus as necessary.

Mr. Elliott explained the expenditure of \$265,000 for the New England Center for Children on the Project/Expenditure List. This will include staff training. Mr. Bessette also explained the necessity of separate programming required by the state based on student age. Mr. Feneberg noted this expenditure was also necessary because of move-ins to the district. He also addressed programming and capacity.

Mr. Elliott also addressed the special education equipment transfer.

C. Special Education Year-End Report: Mr. Elliott presented the Special Education Year-End Report 2018-2019.

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	<p><i>D. <u>Special Education Request for Approvals 2019-2020</u>: Mr. Elliott presented out-of-district placements for Board approval. Mr. Cancio-Bello made the motion to approve out-of-district placements in the amount of \$1,045,000 as presented. Dr. Bobruff seconded. The motion carried 6-0-0.</i></p> <p><i>Mr. Elliott requested approvals for contract service providers. Mr. Cancio-Bello made the motion to approve contracted service providers as presented. Ms. Mastin seconded. The motion carried 6-0-0.</i></p>
IX. Board Committee Reports	<p><i>Facilities Committee (6/6/19): Mr. Cancio-Bello reported. The dedication of the cupola will be June 12th. The committee discussed outdated intercoms throughout the district. Costs to replace will be about \$40,000 in each building. It is planned to include this in the budget for 20-21. The committee also discussed upgrades to the playground at New London Elementary to replace woodchips with an ADA complaint surface.</i></p>
X. Non-Public Session	<p><i>Mr. Cancio-Bello made the motion to enter Non-Public Session under RSA 91-A: 3II (a) and (c) at approximately 9:21pm. Dr. Bobruff seconded. The motion carried by roll call vote.</i></p>
XI. Return to Public Session	<p><i>Mr. Cushing made the motion to return to Public Session at 9:51pm. Mr. Wright seconded. The motion carried 5-0-0.</i></p>
XII. Adjourn	<p><i>Mr. Cushing made the motion to adjourn at 9:51pm. Mr. Wright seconded. The motion carried 5-0-0.</i></p>

Respectfully submitted,

Leigh Ann Stone
Clerk, KRSD School Board

Winfried Feneberg, CAGS
Superintendent

Michael Bessette, CAGS
Assistant Superintendent



Lawrence LeBoeuf, BS
Business Administrator

Lawrence Elliot, M.Ed.
Director of Student Support Services

Board Report of the Assistant Superintendent

June 6, 2019

- Exciting week for the Domain V Merit pay model. All scores for the District were calculated and each building's receipt of merit pay was notified. All schools in the District qualified for merit pay at the Proficient level (\$500.00 / qualified teacher) except for the Middle School which missed their merit proficiency target by .10 of a point. Indicators for the schools include Standardized testing performance on the Statewide Assessment System, Aimsweb+ and STAR Progress monitoring and benchmarking scores related to proficiency in math and reading, as well as indicators such as PSAT scores, Graduation Cohort percentages and more.
- Met with the Professional Development Committee to review six proposed Incentive Team applications. The District sets aside \$12,000 for the purpose of funding Incentive Team grants, year-long innovation teams working in the district for the full school year. Two teams of three staff were recommended for Incentive Team grants – 1 team working on restorative justice discipline models and another working on STEAM innovation / coaching.
- Have worked with the Title 1 Team to finalize and update the end-of-year programming and grant reporting requirements to close out the 2018-19 SY and prepare for the 2019-20 programming, including summer program offerings to support the students currently receiving services.