

**ESSEX ELEMENTARY SCHOOL
BOARD OF EDUCATION REGULAR MEETING
REMOTE MEETING
THURSDAY, MARCH 11, 2021 7:00pm**

F.O.I. Compliance – Subject to BOE approval at a future meeting
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CALL TO ORDER

Mr. Seidman called the meeting to order at 7:02pm.

VERBAL ROLL CALL FOR BOE MEMBERS

Attendance: Essex BOE	Administration:
Lon Seidman	Brian White
Loretta McCluskey	Sarah Smalley
Nancy Johnston	Bob Grissom
Cassandra Sweet	Jennifer Tousignant
Mark Watson	

Absent:

CONSENT AGENDA

Upon a motion duly made by Loretta McCluskey seconded by Nancy Johnston the Essex Board of Education unanimously **VOTED** to approve the minutes from the regular meeting on January 14, 2021 regular meeting and the Minutes from the January 26, 2021 and February 11, 2021 Budget workshop as well as the Accounts Payable report.

Amendments:

Nancy Johnston was present at the February 11, 2021 meeting.

PUBLIC COMMENT

No Comment

REPORTS and OTHER ITEMS:

Superintendent’s Report

District Update

Mr. White gave a brief report. Teachers are being vaccinated. The climate of our schools is positive. The CIAC released guidance for spring sports.

Information and Communication

No additional update.

Finance Office Report

Current Year to Date Financial Status Update

Mr. Grissom gave an update on the financial reports. Expenses are at 63.15%. At this time, all expenses will be covered in the budget. There is an out of district expense and a boiler repair that is expected. There was a discussion of how the boiler will be paid for. Mr. Grissom will keep the Board apprised of any changes.

Cafeteria Fund Update

Mr. Grissom gave a brief update on the cafeteria reporting. This is trending well. There is no deficit. The new account practice is working well and will continue to be assessed.

Medical Reserve Tracking

Favorable results in the Medical Reserve account. Claim activity is expected to return to prior levels.

Discussion and Possible VOTE to Approve the Transfer of Funds as Presented

Mr. Grissom discussed the transfer.

Upon a motion made by Loretta McCluskey and seconded by Nancy Johnston the Essex Elementary Board of Education unanimously **VOTED** to approve the transfer of funds as presented in Enclosure #8 (see attached).

Presentation of Proposed Essex Elementary 2021-22 Budget

Mr. White gave a high level overview of the budget.

Possible VOTE to approve Essex Elementary 2020-21 budget in the amount of \$7,861,407 to be presented to the Town of Essex.

Upon a motion made by Nancy Johnston and seconded by Loretta McCluskey the Essex Elementary Board of Education unanimously **VOTED** to approve the Essex Elementary 2021-22 budget in the amount of \$7,861,407.

This will be presented to the Board of Finance meeting on the March 30th. This date will be confirmed.

Principal's Update

No report given.

Committee Reports

The Legal RFP Committee and Insurance Committee will begin. Committee meetings will begin possibly in the spring to begin the work before the summer begins.

Supervision District:

The budget has passed.

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

7.1 Present Proposed Essex BOE 2021-22 Budget to Essex BOF/BOS March 30, 2021 at 7:00pm.

7.2 Joint BOE Meeting Regular Meeting is April 1, 2021 @ 7:00pm

7.3 Present Proposed EES BOE 2021-22 budget Apr 22, 2021-Public Hearing @7:30pm.

7.4 Essex Town Budget Vote May 10, 2021 @ 7:30pm.

7.5 Essex BOE Regular Meeting is May 13, 2021 @ 7:00pm

ADJOURNMENT

On motion duly made and seconded the Board unanimously **VOTED** to adjourn at 7:52p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kelley Frazier, Secretary