

1. **Call to Order-Roll Call- Pledge of Allegiance:** Nelson called the meeting to order at 8:00pm and upon call of the roll the following board members were present: Kunz, Nelson, Anderson, Leach and Robinson.
2. **Comments by Visitors:** None
3. **Consent Calendar**
 - 3.1 **Removal of items from the consent Calendar:** A motion made by Robinson seconded by Anderson to remove the email from Dr. Joyce from the consent calendar. VOTE: Motion passed, unanimously. Nelson stated that will become item 5.6.
 - 3.2 **Approval of consent calendar:** A motion made by Robinson seconded by Leach to approve the consent calendar as amended. Approved were:
 - **October 15th 2015- Minutes of the Rollinsford School Board**
 - **October 15th 2015- Minutes of the Rollinsford School Board Budget Workshop**
 - **National Register Rollinsford Grade School**
 - **Fosters: Robot allows Boy to attend school during chemo**
 - **Rollinsford newsletter**
 - **Smarter Balance Baseline Results**
 - **Enrollment-November**
4. **Announcements:** Nelson stated that the school is officially on the national registry of historic places and they will be having a celebration. Lucas stated that it will be on Tuesday January 26th which is 79 years to the date that it opened. Nelson stated that the homeland security assessment will be happening and there may be matching funds and grants available. She stated that Kate gave a presentation on 100 years of education and it was a wonderful presentation. Lucas stated that she thought she would do it at the next joint meeting with Marshwood for them to learn more about our approach.
5. **Discussion Items:**
 - 5.1 **Dr. Mark Joyce Presentation:** See separate minutes.
 - 5.2 **Principal Update:** Lucas stated that they had their second full day of PACE and it was really interesting for us and there was a lot of value. She stated that other schools have not been exposed to what we are doing so we got some good feedback and we heard lots of comments on how we assess kids and it was nice to hear from other educators across the state. Supt. Mosca stated that they shared performance tasks with folks and it was neat to hear feedback from others. Nelson stated that PACE is an initiative where NH is the pilot of the 50 states and they started with four districts and we were invited into the next four to come in and it is an honor and wonderful.
 - 5.3 **Marshwood Student Representative-Tyler Schontag:** None
 - 5.4 **Rollinsford Student Representative Report-Bailey Haines:** None
 - 5.5 **Transportation Services:** None

5.6 **Dr. Joyce Emails:** See attached email. Robinson stated that it was important that we set the tone. He did a fine job defending his report and the town noticed. He stated that he didn't fill all we though we were getting for requirements and he disagrees with him that he did a great report. He stated that it is not the same quality that we received the alst time and he is not interested in going further or paying any more money. He stated that they heard from the town that it is more cost driven for some and some transportation driven. He stated that the school board did send a letter to Dr. Joyce and he would like it as part of the minutes. Nelson stated that she is upset that he didn't recall the May meeting because he did a lot more in that meeting. Robinson stated that the meeting was to clarify the RFP and what he was expected to produce. Kunz stated that the discussion about the potential in Marshwood about redistricting, that stuff gets out there and then it becomes gospel and that should be a concern. He stated that even the discussion about moving kids, it can't be bait and switch and we have no say once were in. What is the condition of central school, that has to be discussed. He stated that he wasn't aware of the boards appetite from our joint meeting, I didn't get that impression. Anderson stated that it is hard to know what is valid and what is not. Robinson stated that he is not satisfied with the report but were not done investigating. He stated that right now we are getting through budget season but in early spring we will dig into the report and continue to investigate. I am not going to act on this now. Kunz stated that there are a lot of things missing and there is no strong comparison of those buildings. He stated that it says they have capacity, but do they have to open new classrooms. He stated that he is fearful with the past experience with the town hanging on to things that are said. Leach stated that the clear piece of information we got was Eliot elementary is the place our kids would be going regardless of what else.

6. Action Items

- 6.1 **RFP Regular Student Transportation Services:** Nelson asked if RGS hours were correct, she though we ended at 3:15 not 3:00. Lucas stated that it is about 3:15-3:20 but every day gets better and next year is still a question mark. Supt. Mosca stated that we are going to leave it at 3:00 because we can't put an RFP out without a time. Nelson stated that #2 states that they would be the only carrier but she thought that they said they would take pieces. Supt. Mosca stated that it has exceptions. D'Agostino stated that she would go back and look at it. A motion made by Robinson seconded by Kunz to approve the RFP pending the change to #2. Leach stated that she thinks that it is absurd that we have to tell them how many buses we need, they should be telling us how many buses we need. D'Agostino stated that they could come back and say you need 20 buses. Supt. Mosca stated that if we don't give them parameters they could bid anything. VOTE: motion passed, 4 to 1 abstention. D'Agostino stated that on page 2 of the RFP it does state that it could be one carrier or multiple carriers. A motion made by Robinson seconded by Anderson to amend the motion to not include any new language. VOTE: motion passed, 4-1 abstention.
- 6.2 **Manifests-Where:** Nelson stated that in regards to the manifests some of us get around to signing them but she feels strongly that they should not be brought here to sign so we need to come up with a solution to where we can all get to sign them. Robinson stated that as

long as he is in town he will sign them Wednesday morning at the SAU. The board consensus was to keep the manifests at the SAU office.

7. Financial Update:

7.1 Budget: Nelson stated that the major question is on the large amount of available balance. D'Agostino stated that we released funds for the para but it will be encumbered again. She stated that as things get purchased the number will also decrease. Robinson asked if this budget is a default budget. Supt. Mosca stated yes.

8. New Business: None

9. Old Business:

9.1 Community Building Sub Committee: None

9.2 Transportation: Supt. Mosca stated that they received the weekly count updates. She stated that the only piece that they will have to keep an eye on is the late run. She stated that they can't get ahold of anyone at the grainge so they will start the transfer at the legion. She stated that they will plow and take care of everything. Nelson stated that the legion is so generous. Leach asked if they have a date to begin. Supt. Mosca stated that she would suggest after Thanksgiving on Monday November 30th. Nelson stated that it should not matter because parents should not be picking up or dropping off there. Leach stated that the bus company actually said that this would help. Supt. Mosca stated that part of it is on us, the kids need to get out to the bus stop on time. She stated that we have changed constantly to address the needs to make sure everything gets accounted for. She stated that Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday seem to go well but Thursday is an interesting day. She stated that we had a few issues today and we believe we have them solved. She stated that she is meeting with the head people at first student to tell them what our expectations are and what makes sense and doesn't. She stated that she has been very up front that this is a negotiation year for the contract and you would think they would put their best foot forward so she will continue the conversation with them. She stated that they have been very responsive. Leach stated that she noticed today that two buses come at the same time and she has a concern of a child getting on the wrong bus because one is an RGS bus and one is for middle and high school. D'Agostino stated that bus stops are an estimate and if there is no kid at the stop they may get to the stop earlier and vice versa. Leach stated that because it is both RGS and middle and high school they need to make sure that the right kid gets on the right bus. Lucas stated that our bus drivers are fantastic and they tell them if they are not on the right bus. Supt. Mosca stated that today they didn't take a kid because they thought they were an elementary student but they were middle school kids. Robinson stated that this discussion should not be at this level.

10. Future Meeting Dates/Suggested Agenda Items:

- **November 23 2015- SAU 56 Board Meeting**
- **December 2 2015- Rollinsford Budget Workshop**
- **December 2 2015- MSAD 35 Board Meeting**
- **December 16 2015- MSAD 35 Board Meeting**
- **December 16 2015- Budget Committee Meeting**
- **December 17 2015-Rollinsford School Board Meeting**

11. School Events:

12. Closing Comments:

12.1 Visitors: Celia Leopold stated that you had talked about child care at the meetings and it hasn't come to fruition and asked if they could try live streaming or taping the meeting to put on the website so those of us with children can watch from home. She stated that in terms of the report there will be a loss of curriculum on history of Rollinsford. She stated that we would lose that if we went to that school because they don't have to teach Rollinsford history so that needs to be thrown out there. She stated that she heard some say they were disappointed not seeing a comparison of our buidligh with south Berwick and she has been into the schools and she would encourage them to talk to people and go to PTA events and see the building and see what it looks like. Tamara Niedlekowski stated that in 2002 when her daughter was in first grade she got on the bus to go home and the bus driver missed the stop and got all the way to clement road and he called Bolduc and radioed the driver and they said she would have to wait the full route before she got home. She stated that just puts into perspective that there has always been craziness with the buses. She stated that we have all had to deal with it but she is not happy with what she is hearing, it is unacceptable. She asked if they were offered to use Marshwood buses. Nelson stated that they are hoping that they will respond to the RFP. D'Agostino stated that she will personally send them an invitation to bid. Niedlekowski stated that they have a long bus ride too but they have their own dispatch and it is unreal so she would strongly recommend them. She stated that she respects the process they are going through and what you said about cost over time, you have to emphasize and express that because people grab onto numbers and will hold those numbers and that is all they will go with, they won't ask questions about what is going on here. Reegan Spinney asked if anything will change with changing the transfer stop from the grainge to the legion. Supt. Mosca stated that it will be posted.

12.2 Board Members: Kunz stated that you had a child with you tonight and we are missing people like you because the majority of the people asking questions haven't had kids in this school in years and their primary concern is not if we have a balanced curriculum. He stated that they latch on to numbers and it really does concern me that we spend so much time trying to counter misinformation. He stated that he hopes that there are parents with young children that understand that we are not just going to central school or great works, we would go to Eliot and that is not around the corner. He stated that he hopes they get a whole influx of input from the parents on what is important not just financially. He stated that he also likes her point about Rollinsford history. Anderson stated that in regards to child care maybe we could look at volunteers. Lucas stated that we always have teachers who are willing to volunteer. Nelson stated that we need to have the discussion again. Robinson stated that we had a good conversation tonight and it is important to continue to have good conversations. Nelson stated as a board we don't want to move too quickly, we want to gather real figures. We don't know decommissioning costs and we need the experience of two years of being billed from Marshwood. We need to move slowly and show the town the value that they are getting for their money here.

- 13 Non-Public:** A motion made by Robinson seconded by Anderson to exit into nonpublic session in accordance with chapter 91-A: 3 II (a) Student Issue and II (b) Personnel (e) Negotiations. VOTE: motion passed, unanimously. Exited into nonpublic session at 8:52pm. A motion made by Robinson seconded by Anderson to exit out of nonpublic session. VOTE: motion passed, unanimously. Exited out of nonpublic at 9:32pm.
- 14 Adjournment:** A motion made by Robinson seconded by Nelson to adjourn. Meeting adjourned at 9:34pm.

Katie Krauss
Board Secretary

Pending Board Approval