

SOMERSWORTH SCHOOL BOARD

September 27th 2016

City Hall Chambers

7:00pm

1. **CALL TO ORDER - ROLL CALL - PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** Austin called the meeting to order at 7:00pm upon call of the roll the following members were present: Rivers, Gibson, Hiller Austin, Collins, Brennan and Bolduc. Absent: Joanne Pepin and Matt Hanlon
2. **COMMENTS BY VISITORS:** None
3. **CONSENT CALENDAR:**
 - 3.1 **Removal of items from the consent calendar:** None
 - 3.2 **Approval of Consent Calendar:** A motion made by Collins seconded by Hiller to approve the consent calendar as presented. VOTE: motion passed, unanimously. Approved were:
 - September 13 2016- Minutes from the Somersworth School Board Meeting
 - September 12 2016- Minutes from the Joint Building Committee
 - Maple Wood Newsletter September/October
4. **ANNOUNCEMENTS:** Supt. Mosca stated that she would like Vic to come up to the podium as an introduction, Vik Sokul is the principal at the high school. She stated that she would like to thank everyone for their support last night at the CTC grand opening, it was a gala event and it was great to have a variety of folks there celebrating our wonderful center.
5. **DISCUSSION ITEMS:**
 - 5.1 **Building, Grounds & Transportation:** Rivers stated that they met last Thursday at the SAU office, they had an extensive agenda. He stated that the memorial drive paving went well thank you to the city for all the work they did on that. He stated that there are still some issues with the grass that was put down due to lack of rain. He stated that they are asking people to not part on the grass in the middle school area. He stated that Andy indicated that there will be new signage going up for all the schools. He stated that we are working with three issues at Idlehurst. The aluminum grate issue where when it gets wet it gets slippery, the new mats are now down and that should take care of that. He stated that we had a problem with a leaky roof where the shingles came up, they worked on that last Friday and the job is complete. He stated that we have a heat trace wiring issue at Idlehurst and the manufacturer is working to resolve that issue. He stated that the major issue right now is the damaged coil brackets on the HVAC units and we tried to get the manufacturer in here to help us with the issue and a meeting was held last Friday with Andy, Ken, Control Technologies, John Waitt and a representative from Greenheck. He stated that the essence is that it is a design flaw problem and now the focus is on getting us back to where we should be. He stated that the reps that were there admitted it was a design flaw and the focus is to get them to commit to making us well again and get the problem figured out. He stated that Andy is working on a letter. Bolduc stated that hopefully Greenheck will come up with a solution. He stated that they have done a redesign for that particular unit and my guess is that it is because it collapses just like our units. He stated that at the meeting the rep made a phone call and he mentioned the redesign so hopefully they can get it corrected. Gibson asked if the new signage was at all the schools and why it would be done at Idlehurst because they are relatively new. Supt. Mosca stated that new ones won't be done at Idlehurst, just at the middle school, high school, CTC and Maple Wood. Gibson stated that at the meeting with Greenheck did you get the impression that they would step up for this or are they leaving us walking in the wind. A motion made by Rivers seconded by Hiller to suspend rules to allow Andy to speak. VOTE: motion passed, unanimously. Lucier stated that he received an email tonight from Rick Knowlton from Greenheck who was there the day of the meeting and they are accepting responsibility for it. He stated that the email says that they have two issues one with the bracing up the shroud and then coming up with a different type of metal for the blades because it shouldn't have broken. He stated that they left us with the impression that they would cover it 100%. He stated that he will draft a letter and run it through the Superintendent. He stated that he is comfortable after the meeting that

they will cover everything 100%. Gibson asked if there are any other units with this design. Lucier stated it appears to be just that one group. He stated that they went through every unit and found cracks in the fan blades and they took pictures and documented every unit. He stated that there are two condensers on each unit and the units are unhooked so that we don't have any more issues. Gibson stated that are there any environmental issues with these not being on. Lucier stated that they are designed to take the humidity out of the air and the humidity is over for the season. Austin stated that they are not looking at taking old parts out and putting back in the same parts they are going to redesign the units so we don't have the problem three years from now. Lucier stated that is correct. Rivers stated that we are getting into the colder weather and we have a policy FB that requires preventative maintenance on the heating systems and that has been done. Lucier stated that everything is ready for winter.

Curriculum and Activities: None

Policy Committee: Austin stated that they will be meeting on October 18th at 5:30 at the SAU office.

5.2 City Council Update: None

5.3 Student Representative Report-Isis Orchard: Orchard stated that they had spirit week last week. She stated that the student council did a cancer fundraiser where they sold tickets to duct tape a teacher to the wall and they sold tickets for .25 cents and they raised \$25. She stated that the football team won their game and they raised 400 lbs of food for the food drive. She stated that youth to youth sponsored the homecoming dance on Saturday. She stated that the student council also sent out letters to welcome the new teachers and farewell to those that left.

5.4 NHSBA- Call for Resolutions: None

6 ACTION ITEM

7. NEW BUSINESS

8. OLD BUSINESS

8.1 Vision 20/20 Committee: None

8.2 Budget: Austin stated that we will have an update in the next packet.

8.3 JBC Update-Ken Bolduc: Bolduc stated that we haven't met since the last meeting. He stated that the re-opening of the CTC was last night and it was well attended. He stated that it was amazing to see all that had been done just in the few days since he was last there. He stated that the lighting in the theatre is impressive, Jeni and Don did the opening in front of the green screen and then the theatre screen came down and they were projected on that screen from upstairs. He stated that he loved that part of it. He stated that we are still finishing up some loose ends. He stated that they were supposed to have a meeting on October 3rd but it is going to be cancelled and rescheduled for October 17th in order to tie up loose ends. He stated that if you haven't had a chance to see it go take a look it is very nice. Hiller stated that in the theatre she didn't see a stage or any seating and asked if that was still yet to come. Bolduc stated that is some of the loose ends. He stated that we wanted to make sure that the students could get in there and then other things still needed to be finished up. Supt. Mosca stated that the risers are coming in mid-October and they will be movable. She stated that there will not be a stage, it is a black box theatre which is a flexible space where the acting can take place around the room. She stated that the classes are still happening in the classroom, they just finished up a two week unit on makeup and they used me to get made up as if I got into a bike accident. She stated that things are happening there.

9. MAYOR FORUM DATES:

- October 15 2016- Ward 1
- November 19 2016- Ward 2

Austin stated that they will be keeping this on the agenda to remind board members when it is their turn.

10. FUTURE MEETING DATES/SUGGESTED AGENDA ITEMS:

- **October 11 2016- Somersworth School Board Meeting**
- **October 19 2016- Somersworth City Council/School Board Joint Workshop**
Gibson stated that it has been a while since they heard anything on the Interact club. Orchard stated that they have a new advisor Ms. IZARD and they are planning right now and just organizing and planning with the new advisor. Supt. Mosca stated that they met last week and had an organizational meeting.

11. CLOSING COMMENTS

11.1 Visitors: Tamara Hallee stated that school is off and running and she would like to thank Margaret Lemay, Jennifer Landry, the summer reading committee and the PTA as we gave out over 80 student rewards and had field day activities and the event was a hit and we couldn't do it without the PTA and the staff so thank you.

11.2 Board Members: Collins stated that the blue grass festival was fantastic and was well attended. He stated that the Indonesian festival was also a great production. Hiller congratulated Isis on the award she received from the future Doctors of America, it is very impressive so congratulations. Austin stated that he would echo the comments on the CTC, it was very impressive and he didn't hear one negative comment. He stated that this is something that we all have been waiting for for a long and this process started years ago with a vision and what we thought that it would cost and it has been a remarkable revolution. He congratulated Lori Lane as it couldn't have been done without her. He stated that from an outside person it looked like it went off without a hitch and that is one of the meanings of a good project is how it looks to the public. He stated that when we were interviewing for a Superintendent and we went to look at the other candidates school the one thing that impressed him was the broadcasting program and last night he look at ours and we have it and it is something he has been looking forward to and he is pleased by how it turned out.

12. NON-PUBLIC: None

13. ADJOURNMENT: A motion made by Brennan seconded by Hiller to adjourn. VOTE: motion passed, unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 7:35pm.

Katie Krauss
Board Secretary

Pending Board Approval