

# WASHINGTON SCHOOL BOARD MEETING

Monday, January 10, 2022 at 6:00pm

Washington Elementary School, Multi-Purpose Room

## MINUTES

### **In Attendance:**

#### **Board Members:**

Linda Musmanno  
Arin Mills  
Kathey Atkins  
Cameo Mulliner  
Danielle Moore

### **Administration:**

Patricia Parenteau, Superintendent  
Jennifer Crawford, Director of Curriculum  
Instruction and Assessment  
Mary Henry, Business Manager  
Kelli Colarusso, Principal

- A. CALL TO ORDER @ 6:00pm
  - a. Pledge of Allegiance
  - b. Moment of Silence
- B. STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE REPORT - Megan Belanger
  - a. The band concert is coming up soon
  - b. Ski practice started a week ago
  - c. 8th grade had a visit to the High School to meet the teachers and get acquainted with the building
- C. CORRESPONDENCE
  - a. None
- D. PUBLIC COMMENT
  - a. Eric
    - i. Enrollment Report
      - 1. The early learners are not listed, and feels that the taxpayers would like to see the full impact the schools have in Washington.
    - ii. Future Property Needs
      - 1. Would like to have the Board really consider the very distant future of the school and it's future property needs.
- E. CONSENT AGENDA
  - a. Minutes of meeting, December 13, 2021
  - b. Appointments, Leaves, and Resignations
  - c. Laura Botelho -Paraeducator Substitute, \$12.00/hour, 6.15 hours/day, effective 12/14/21-1/14/22
  - d. Policies Requiring Action
    - i. DGA Authorized Signatures – New Required by Law Policy - First Reading
    - ii. JLCJ Concussions and Head Injuries, New Required by Law Policy - First Reading
  - e. **VOTE**

- i. Mills moved to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Mulliner seconds.  
Motion passed 4-0-0

F. INFORMATIONAL ITEMS and REPORTS

- a. Enrollment Report - H/D Middle 21, H/D High 47, WES 48 (K-8, 1st-11, 2nd-8, 3rd- 7, 4th-11, 5th-3)
- b. Superintendent's Report
  - i. General Information
    - 1. Thank you to the Washington Police for helping support the school and showing a presence in December.
    - 2. Potential for remote learning - we have had a lot of students out in the past week due to Covid.
      - a. If we have a need to go remote, we can do so with a targeted approach (per grade) for a limited amount of time.
      - b. The school would have to make accommodations for students who do not have covid, and the parents are not able to find childcare.
    - 3. There is an upcoming talk from the NH School Funding Fairness Project that will present and educate on how the funding works for NH schools, and how the taxpayers are affected.
      - a. We hope to have a session be held in Hillsborough, but there are other opportunities around the state to get this information.
  - ii. Pandemic Response Mitigation Decision Matrix Update
    - 1. See attached Sheets.
    - 2. There has been an update to the NH guidance for isolation and quarantine, but the school information has not been updated yet. This information will be coming in the next few weeks from DHHS.
  - iii. Monthly Financial Report - Mary Henry
    - 1. No update/changes at this time.
  - iv. Update to the 5-Year Capital Maintenance Plan
    - 1. These are very ball-park figures, and are not set in stone.
    - 2. We are having a difficult time getting people to come out and give us quotes for these projects at this time.
    - 3. Would like the Board to think about which projects are the highest priority for the school at this time.
- c. ESSER Update
  - i. The Board needs to be thinking about what we want to do with the ESSER Funds
    - 1. How can we best meet the needs of the students?
    - 2. We will discuss it at a further meeting.
- d. Principal's Report
  - i. November
    - 1. Was able to hold the school's Thanksgiving feast this year - with Covid precautions.
    - 2. The whole school made placemats for the feast
    - 3. 2nd and 3rd grade made bread

4. K-1 made butter
- ii. December
  1. Eyes on Owls program came to the school on December 6th
  2. There is a high school student who is doing an ELO communications project and has been writing press releases for the school.
  3. The Library Media Specialist has been working on getting all of the students library cards in conjunction with the town library.

#### G. NEW BUSINESS

- a. School's Future Property Needs - response to Conservation Commission by mid-February
  - i. Looking at assigning around 20.6 acres to the Washington School
  - ii. The outdoor classroom space would fall into the easement limitations, and should not be as big on an issue as we previously thought.
  - iii. Looking at the different options available to expand the current school property lines.
  - iv. Mills will go back to the conservation commission and discuss further with them.
  - v. At the next meeting we will make our decision based on the recommendations that are brought back.

#### H. CONTINUED BUSINESS

- a. Proposed FY 2022-23 Budget and Warrant - approve for budget hearing, Tuesday, 2/8/22
  - i. Atkins moved to approve the FY 2022-2023 proposed budget of \$1,209,921 as presented. Mills seconds. Motion passed 4-0-0.
- b. Warrant Articles
  - i. Article 7 - Special Education Trust Fund - \$30,000
    1. Mills moved to approve Article 7 as written. Mulliner seconds. Motion passed 4-0-0.
  - ii. Article 8 - Maintenance Trust Fund - \$25,000
    1. Atkins moved to approve article 8 as written. Mulliner seconds. Motion passed 4-0-0.
  - iii. New Article -
    1. To see if the Washington School District will vote to establish a Tuition Expendable Trust Fund per RSA 198:20-c, V for unanticipated student tuitions and to raise and appropriate \$ 10,000 to be placed in the fund; further to name the school board as agents to expend from the fund. (Majority vote required).
      - a. Mills moved to approve the New warrant article to be numbered 9, as presented. Atkins seconds. Motion passed 3-1-0 (Musmanno No).
  - iv. Article 6
    1. Atkins moved to approve article 6 as written. Mulliner seconds. Motion passed 4-0-0.
  - v. Article 5
    1. Atkins moved to approve Article 5 as written, Musmanno seconds. Motion passed 4-0-0
  - vi. Article 1

1. Atkins moved to approve article 1 as written. Mulliner seconds. Motion passed 4-0-0
- vii. Article 2
  1. Mills moved to approve article 2 as written. Musmanno seconds. Motion passed 4-0-0
- viii. Article 3
  1. Mulliner moved to approve article 3 as written. Atkins seconds. Motion passed 4-0-0

I. ADJOURNMENT

- a. Atkins moved to adjourn. Mills seconds. Motion passed 4-0-0 @ 7:33pm.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Meagan Shower

### Comparative Covid Data September 2, 2020 - January 7, 2022

The Rest of Hillsborough County			
Date	Level of Transmission	New Cases per 100k over 14 days	7-Day Total Test Positivity Rate %
Sept 2, 2020	Minimal	21.5	1.2
Oct 1, 2020	Minimal	32.2	1.7
Nov 1, 2020	Substantial	109.7	1.8
Dec 1, 2020	Substantial	473.9	5.1
Jan 3, 2021	Substantial	649.9	11.0
Feb 1, 2021	Substantial	598	6.2
March 1, 2021	Substantial	273.6	4.3
April 1, 2021	Substantial	396.4	6.4
May 3, 2021	Substantial	250.2	3.6
June 1, 2021	Moderate	66.3	2.2
July 1, 2021	Minimal	11.1	0.6
July 30, 2021	Minimal	46.4	3.1
September 1, 2021	Substantial	277.2	7.1
October 1, 2021	Substantial	429.8	5.0
November 2, 2021	Substantial	427.9	7.5
December 1, 2021	Substantial	940.7	13.6
December 30, 2021	Substantial	942.1	17.2
January 7, 2022	Substantial	1,376.0	22.1

### Comparative Covid Data September 2, 2020 - January 7, 2022

Sullivan County			
Date	Level of Transmission	New Cases per 100k over 14 days	7-Day Total Test Positivity Rate %
Sept 2, 2020	Minimal	9.3	0.2
Oct 1, 2020	Minimal	18.5	0.6
Nov 1, 2020	Moderate	57.9	1.4
Dec 1, 2020	Substantial	139.1	3
Jan 3, 2021	Substantial	190.1	7.7
Feb 1, 2021	Substantial	586.4	7.4
March 1, 2021	Substantial	213.2	3.1
April 1, 2021	Substantial	157.6	3.7
May 3, 2021	Substantial	243.4	6.0
June 1, 2021	Moderate	97.3	2.1
July 1, 2021	Minimal	48.7	1.1
July 30, 2021	Minimal	30.1	1.8
September 1, 2021	Substantial	210.9	2.6
October 1, 2021	Substantial	658.2	6.3
November 2, 2021	Substantial	771.8	8.9
December 1, 2021	Substantial	1,717.4	16.6
December 30, 2021	Substantial	1,008.2	12.3
January 7, 2022	Substantial	1,003.6	13.6



### Comparative Covid Data September 2, 2020 - January 7, 2022

Town Data												
	Hillsboro Total Population: 6,044			Deering Total Population: 1,956			Washington Total Population: 1,121			Windsor Total Population: 244		
Date	Active	Overall	% Fully Vaccinated	Active	Overall	% Fully Vaccinated	Active	Overall	% Fully Vaccinated	Active	Overall	% Fully Vaccinated
Sept 2	1-4	18		1-4	1-4		0	5				
Oct 1	1-4	21		0	1-4		0	5				
Nov 1	8	39		1-4	7		0	5				
Dec 1	8	62		1-4	10		1-4	10				
Jan 3	15	127		1-4	24		1-4	20		0	1-4	
Feb 1	8	202		1-4	37		1-4	32		1-4	1-4	
March 1	6	225		1-4	41		0	37		0	5	
April 1	15	260		1-4	46		0	37		1-4	10	
May 3	7	300		1-4	59		1-4	41		0	11	
June 1	1-4	308		0	61		0	42		1-4	12	
July 1	0	308		0	62		1-4	44		0	12	
July 30	1	312	40.2%	0	63	38.7%	0	44	48.7%	0	12	46.4%
Sept 1	18	347	40.9%	1-4	69	39.7%	1-4	50	49.2%	0	13	47.8%
Oct 1	15	427	41.5%	1-4	81	40.3%	1-4	75	49.7%	0	13	47.8%
Nov 2	18	516	41.5%	8	122	40.6%	1-4	94	49.9%	0	14	47.3%
Dec 1	27	630	41.7%	9	152	41.1%	1-4	109	49.8%	1-4	22	46.4%
Dec 30	36	785	41.9%	8	188	41.2%	13	142	50.3%	1-4	30	46.4%
Jan 7	64	851	42.1%	9	199	41.1%	10	148	50.4%	1-4	31	46.9%

\* Case(s) first reported in Windsor on December 10, 2020..

### Comparative Covid Data September 2, 2020 - January 7, 2022

Date	Statewide Number of Hospitalizations Due To Covid-19	Statewide Number of Deaths Due to Covid-19	Statewide Percent of Population Fully Vaccinated
Sept 2	9		
Oct 1	15		
Nov 1	38		
Dec 1	160		
Jan 3	325		
Feb 1	193		
March 1	90		Data first reported March 4th: 7.8%
April 1	77		16.8%
May 3	80		26.2%
June 1	26		48.5%
July 1	15		53.9%
July 30	29		53.7%
September 1, 2021	112	First began collecting data in late August 1,420	54.1%
October 1, 2021	150	1,481	54.4%
November 2, 2021	193	1,572	54.8%
December 1, 2021	403	1,725	55.0%
December 30, 2021	384	1,961	55.9%
January 7, 2022	366	2,019	56.0%



### Washington Elementary School School Local Decision Pandemic Response Mitigation Matrix

This matrix serves as a guide when planning and making decisions regarding implementing mitigation strategies. The Washington School District reserves the right to take a more restrictive approach as the situation warrants.  
*Executive Orders/Public Health Department Guidance supersede local decision making*

<b>Considerations</b> <i>Listed below are factors that will be taken into consideration when determining the level of mitigation required.</i>	<b>Minimal Mitigation</b> 1.Promote Vaccination 2.Face Mask Use*: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>mandatory on buses</li> <li>optional indoors and outdoors</li> </ul> 3.Physical Distancing of at least 3 feet when possible 4.Screening Testing of higher risk groups such as sports teams 5.Increase Ventilation 6.Handwashing & Respiratory Etiquette 7.Stay home when sick & get tested 8.Contact Tracing in combination with Isolation & Quarantine 9.Daily Cleaning & disinfection when known virus contact	<b>Moderate Mitigation</b> 1.Promote Vaccination 2.Face Mask Use*: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>mandatory on buses</li> <li>optional but recommended indoors</li> <li>optional outdoors</li> </ul> 3.Physical Distancing of 3-6 feet when possible 4.Increased Screening Testing 5.Increase Ventilation 6.Handwashing & Respiratory Etiquette 7.Stay home when sick & get tested 8. Contact Tracing in combination with Isolation & Quarantine 9.Daily Cleaning & disinfection when known virus contact	<b>Substantial Mitigation</b> 1.Promote Vaccination 2.Face Mask Use*: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>mandatory on buses</li> <li>Required indoors</li> <li>optional outdoors</li> </ul> 3.Physical Distancing of 3-6 feet when possible 4.Significant Screening Testing 5.Increase Ventilation 6.Handwashing & Respiratory Etiquette 7.Stay home when sick & get tested 8. Contact Tracing in combination with Isolation & Quarantine 9.Daily Cleaning & disinfection when known virus contact

### Decision Matrix: NH Department of Health and Human Services recommendations for use of facemasks indoors based on the level of community transmission and COVID-19 transmission within a facility.

		Level of Community Transmission		
		Minimal	Moderate	Substantial
<b>Cases within School Facility</b>	Sporadic cases without evidence of facility transmission	Optional*	Optional*	Universal X
	Single Cluster	Targeted	Targeted	Universal
	Multiple clusters or a larger outbreak	Universal	Universal	Universal
Per Federal Mandate all drivers and riders on school busses or vans are required to wear masks that cover their mouth and nose while on board.				

\*Facemasks still recommended for people who want maximal protection for themselves or others (e.g. a household member who is unvaccinated or medically vulnerable)

## Community Transmission and Vaccination Data Tracked Using The New Hampshire COVID-19 Data Dashboard

Last updated: January 7, 2022 5:20pm

Level of Community Transmission			
<i>Per the state of NH Department of Health and Human Services: "The overall level of community transmission is defined using the metrics shown below. Each metric is assigned a level of 'Minimal', 'Moderate', or 'Substantial'. A community is then assigned an overall level based on the highest level determination for any specific metric."</i>			
Numbers of new infections per 100,000 population over prior 14 days	<50	50-100	>100
Sullivan County:			1003.6
COVID-19 total test positivity as a 7 day average	< 5%	5-10%	>10%
Sullivan County:			13.6%

Cases within the school facility			
	Sporadic cases without evidence of facility transmission	Single Cluster	Multiple clusters or a larger outbreak
WES	X		

	Washington	Sullivan County
Current Vaccination Rates	50.4%	51.9%

### Additional Data Tracked by the Washington School District

Availability of Cleaning and Protective Supplies necessary to implement NH DHHS Recommendations			
	The district has the supplies necessary to meet state guidelines and to implement the SAU plan	The district is having difficulty securing future supplies necessary to meet state guidelines and to implement the SAU plan	The district is unable to secure the supplies necessary to meet state guidelines and to implement the SAU plan
Washington School District	X		



Compliance with Mitigation Strategies			
	There is a rare need for someone to leave school due to illness. Mask wearing, physical distancing and other protective measures are followed by the community	There are small gaps in compliance to the protective measures in place	There are significant gaps in compliance to the protective measures in place
Washington School District	X		

Student Absence Due to Illness			
	<15%	15-30%	>30%
WES		X	

Staff Capacity to Conduct Classes and School Operations			
	Normal: The school is able to provide coverage and manage absenteeism with little impact to instruction	Strained; It is difficult for the school to provide coverage and manage absenteeism. There is impact to instruction.	Critical: The level of staff absenteeism is too high to effectively manage.
WES		X	