

Essex North Supervisory Union
Meeting Minutes
Monday, November 30, 2020
6:00 PM – Meeting held remotely with public able to call into meeting ID #802 266 8910
Passcode: 8910266

Members Remotely: Miles Etter, Patty Brown, Dan Lepine, Krista Rodrigue, Dan Wade, Darcy Smart
Administration/Public Remotely: Karen Conroy, Bridget Cross, Sharon Ellingwood-White

I. The Meeting was called to order at 6:00 PM.

II. On a motion made by, Krista Rodrigue seconded by Miles Etter, the Board approved the Meeting Minutes of September 14, 2020; vote 6-0.

III. General Public Comments

IV. Report of the Superintendent

1. Reviewed the Superintendent's Report and provided an update on COVID & Interstate Activities. Specifically, discussed the options with the NEK School District related to its continued connection with the new Interstate School District.
2. On a motion made by, Patty Brown seconded by Darcy Smart, the Board approved the 2021-2022 (FY22) ENSU Budget of \$2,537,620; vote 6-0.
3. On a motion made by, Dan Lepine seconded by Dan Wade, the Board approved the ENSU Office Relocation to Canaan's Learning Center Building and use of \$14,670 of ENSU Surplus to support relocation expenditures; vote 6-0.
4. On a motion made by, Dan Wade seconded by Krista Rodrigue, the Board approved of all non-union Para Educators to participate in the VMERS Group A Retirement Plan from Bridget Cross memo dated October 27, 2020:

"We are electing to participate in VT Municipal Retirement Systems (VMERS) Group A, to the category of Para-Educator, effective upon date of 1/1/2021. Any existing Non-Union Employee in the category of Para-Educator would be administered an election by the VMERS department to whether to JOIN or NOT TO JOIN VMERS. Any newly hired non-union para-educator, as of the date of approval will automatically be enrolled in VMERS Group A as a condition of employment."; vote 5-1-0.
5. On a motion made by, Dan Wade seconded by Krista Rodrigue, the Board approved the ENSU School Bus Sale Bid of \$750.00 to Rene Gobeil; vote 6-0.

V. Appointments and Resignations

VI. Other Business

1. Reviewed the following VSBA Model Policies for Adoption at the next board meeting:

B8 Electronic Communications Between Employees and Students (Required)
C12 Prevention of Sexual Harassment as Prohibited by Title I (Required)
C13 Homeless Students (Required)
C29 District Equity Policy (Recommended)

2. On a motion made by, Patty Brown seconded by Dan Lepine, the Board approved the FY2020-2021 Student Support and Paraprofessional Manuals; vote 6-0.
3. Discussed the reclassification of elected board officials and their form of payment changing from Payroll to Accounts Payable. ENSU will follow-up on the reasoning for the change and if the current process is acceptable.
4. Next meeting scheduled for March 8, 2021 at 6:00 PM – Location TBD.

VII. The board reviewed recent bills and electronically signed warrants for the total payment of:

ENSU Total \$518,348.71

VIII. Adjournment

1. Meeting was adjourned at 7:53 PM.

Respectfully submitted, Rena Call