Board of Directors

Regular Meeting

North River School District #200

Date: February 20, 2025 Time: 5:30 p.m. Location: Home Ec Room

ZOOM LINK: <https://us02web.zoom.us/i/9691348902>

Minutes

**1**. **Call to Order**-Flag Salute: Chairman Churape called the meeting to order at 5:43 PM. Late start due to technical difficulties.

**2. Roll Call: Present –** Chairman Churape, Vice Chair Koehn, Directors Farnell, Banas, and Greiner, Bus. Manager C. Doll and visitors. By zoom – Supt. Winters and visitors.

**3**. **Consideration of the Agenda**

**Approval of Minutes** Jan 16 – Vice Chair Koehn motioned to approve minutes as amended and Director Banas seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

**Approval of Agenda** – Director Greiner motioned to approve agenda and Director Farnell seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

**Approval of Vouchers** – Director Farnell motioned to approve the vouchers and Director Greiner seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

* GF Warrant # 335514 – 335538 Total: $49,134.74
* ASB Warrant # 2683 - 2684 Total: $270.41
* January Payroll Total: $150,650.13

**4. Public Commentary**: Community and staff gave thanks to Director Banas for his many years of service.

**5. Reports**

1. **ASB/FPS/CMPS Report** - None
2. **Superintendent's Report**

* **Classified negotiations** – Supt. Winters discussed that the classified staff met with him regarding the 4-day school week and how it has affected their pay.
* **Class Schedule** – The schedules were reviewed and discussed. Will continue discussion in March.

1. **Director's Report**: Director Banas expressed his appreciation he had with working with the district for the last 17+ years.
2. **ASB/FPS/CMPS Report** – None

**6. Finance**

1. Business Manager's Report - None
2. Budget Status Report - see printout
3. Fund Balance Report - $570,501
4. Grant Claims - None
5. Travel - None

**7. Old Business**

a**.** 2025-2026 School Calendar – Vice Chair Koehn motioned to approve the calendar and Director Farnell seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

**8. New Business**

1. **Music Program – Heather Johnson**: Mrs. Johnson applied for a music grant with GH County. She will use the grant to implement the Orff Schulwerk approach.
2. **Open Board Position and Applicant(s) Interview:** Pamela Pratt was interviewed by the board members. She was appointed to replace Director Banas by a roll call vote: Churape – yes, Greiner – yes, Koehn – yes, Farnell – yes, and Banas abstained. Pam will take the oath during the next meeting.
3. **Superintendent Contract –** discussed in executive session see below.

**9**. **Executive Session: RCW 42.30.110 (G)** To evaluate the qualifications of an applicant for public employment or to review the performance of a public employee.

The Directors went into session at 7:17 PM asking for 20 minutes. At 7:37 PM the directors extended 15 minutes. At 7:52 PM they added another 15 minutes. At 8:07 PM they asked for the final 10 minutes and ended the session at 8:17 PM.

Chairman Churape asked if there were any motions. Director Banas spoke up and stated *“during the March 2024 board meeting via zoom we were given a new proposal for the Superintendent/Principal contract. I make a motion to continue the existing contract through its maturity date June 30, 2025 and to reject any future proposals beyond that date”* Therefore, he motioned to not renew the Superintendent/Principle Contract beyond June 2025 and Director Greiner seconded the motion. The motion passed with a roll call vote 5-0: Koehn – yes, Farnell – yes, Banas – yes, Greiner – yes, and Churape – yes.

**10. Public Commentary on Agenda Items**: A classified member wanted to bring attention that they weren’t asking for any negotiations as Supt. Winters stated and that they may file a grievance to be reimbursed with correct wages from job placement into a position of lower pay. This will be discussed further at the next board meeting.

There was more appreciation for Director Banas and well wishes for his retirement.

**11. Other Business**

a. **Review of Agenda Items for Director’s**: Chairman Churape reviewed agenda items.

**12**. **Adjourn:** At 8:36 PM Director Banas motioned to adjourn the meeting and Director Greiner seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.