

PITTSFIELD SCHOOL BOARD

Non-Public Session Minutes

April 19, 2018 – First Session

Members Present: Mike Wolfe, Chair
Bea Douglas, Vice Chair
Heidi Asdot
Adam Gauthier
Ted Mitchell

Motion: On a motion by Mr. Mitchell and seconded by Mr. Gauthier, the Board voted unanimously to enter into nonpublic session under the authority of RSA 91-A:3, II (c) and (l).

Specific Statutory Reason for Nonpublic Session: RSA 91-A3:II (l) *Consideration of legal advice provided by legal counsel, either in writing or orally, to one or more members of the public body, even where legal counsel is not present.*

RSA 91-A3:II (c) *Matters which, if discussed in public, would likely affect adversely the reputation of any person, other than a member of the public body itself, unless such person requests an open meeting...*

Roll call: Vote to enter nonpublic session:

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| Ms. Asdot | yes |
| Ms. Douglas | yes |
| Mr. Gauthier | yes |
| Mr. Mitchell | yes |
| Mr. Wolfe | yes |

Time Nonpublic Session Entered: 6:01 p.m.

Other Persons Present: Superintendent Freeman (full session); Attorney Andru Volinsky (portion related to RSA 91-A:II (l) only)

Description of Matters Discussed: RSA 91-A3:II (l): Attorney Volinsky advised the Board regarding the *Claremont* lawsuit legal actions, reasons for education funding inequities in the state, and potential legal actions to address this issue. The Board asked several questions on this issue; Attorney Volinsky made several suggestions and agreed to conduct a workshop in Pittsfield on school funding for the Pittsfield community as well as made a reference to another attorney who may be helpful. The Board directed Dr. Freeman to make arrangements for Attorney Volinsky's workshop and to contact the referenced attorney.

RSA 91-A3:II (c): The Board considered two requests for non-resident attendance presented by parents of two PMHS students; requests were made for the remainder of

the school year only and without transportation services; requests were made due to families moving out of Pittsfield after lengthy residence in Pittsfield.

The Board was advised of misbehavior of a student to whom approval for non-resident attendance had been previously granted, including vandalism at Drake Field.

Actions: (1) On a motion by Ms. Douglas and seconded by Ms. Asdot, the Board voted unanimously to approve non-resident attendance to Mackenzie Dumond for the remainder of the school year only without transportation services.

(2) On a motion by Mr. Gauthier and seconded by Mr. Mitchell, the Board voted unanimously to approve non-resident attendance to Joshua Whittier for the remainder of the school year only without transportation services.

(3) On a motion by Ms. Douglas and seconded by Mr. Gauthier, the Board voted unanimously to rescind non-resident attendance to Madison Lawlor immediately in the event of inappropriate behavior on Madison's part.

Public Session Reconvened: 6:43 p.m.

Roll Call to Seal Minutes: No motion to seal minutes.

Minutes Recorded by: John Freeman