

EPPING SCHOOL BOARD NEWS CORNER

Welcome to the Epping School Board News Corner for the January 19, 2012 School Board Meeting.

1. Guests – EES students demonstrated problem solving skills using bar modeling per the new *Math in Focus* Program and teachers gave a presentation on how they are using technology in the classroom. Students, parents, and school staff spoke in favor of the new program. The District Unified Arts Committee returned to present their final curriculum and received Board approval. The District World Language Committee presented their draft curriculum. A parent requested that the Board reevaluate and change their policy on exchange students participating in the graduation ceremony.
2. Administrator Reports – a. EES Principal Mark Vallone reinforced the work that EES is doing on implementing the new math program and the continued work on implementing the reading and writing programs. b. EMS/EHS Principal Kyle Repucci reported on the use of the parent portal, congratulated the NH Scholastic Art and Foster's Daily Democrat holiday story winners, and received approval for the Washington, DC trip. Draft EHS Grading and Reporting Guidelines and EHS Report Card were presented. It was explained that these changes are required to meet the NHDOE standards for the awarding of high school credit based on competency completion and NEASC high school accreditation based on learning expectations which have been integrated with the NHDOE requirements. More information can be found on the high school website. c. Superintendent Barbara Munsey presented a first draft of the 2012-2013 school calendar. It was reported that the District was not ready to adopt blizzard bags as an option for snow days due to the new NHDOE guidelines. Draft district Grading, Reporting, and Recognition System Guidelines were also presented in alignment with EHS. More information can be found on district website.
3. Financial – The Board reviewed and signed the 2012 Warrant and assigned responsibilities for deliberative session.
4. Policy – Policy regarding concussions and head injuries, physical examinations of students, and athletic team coaches was approved. A revised policy on grading, reporting, and recognition systems was also distributed.
5. Next Meeting – Deliberative Session is scheduled for 7:00 pm on February 9, 2012 in the EMS Gymnasium. The next regular meeting is scheduled for 7:00 pm on February 16th in the Epping Town Hall.

Epping School Board News Corner is based on draft meeting minutes and is an unofficial meeting summary. Approved meeting minutes and other district and school publications can be viewed on the Epping School District, SAU14 website at www.sau14.org. Contact information is also located on the website.

Respectfully submitted,

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