

## EPPING SCHOOL BOARD NEWS CORNER

Welcome to the Epping School Board News Corner for the September 15, 2011 School Board Meeting.

1. Guests – Epping Boy Scouts received approval for their Eagle projects on outdoor education. Music teacher Jared Breault received approval for the New York City field trip. Principal Kyle Repucci received approval for an EMS and EHS Day of Service recommended by a committee comprised of the principal, teachers, parent, and school board member Dave Mylott.
2. School Principals – EES Principal Mark Vallone updated the Board on the third full day kindergarten and thanked the Board on behalf of teachers. Teachers are receiving training on the new math program Math in Focus and coaching in mathematics. Parents attending the First Day Celebration responded positively to the new program. A parent night is being planned. Reading and writing continues with an increased focus on non-fiction reading and guided reading and strategy student groups. EES also thanked the facilities crew for their extra efforts in getting the school ready and the technology crew for getting so much technology out to classroom teachers. EMS/EHS Principal Kyle Repucci thanked the Board on behalf of the teachers for the technology acquisitions. Technology training is being planned. By the end of this month students will receive training in the Student Jotter portfolio and communication software. This software will enable students and teachers to store work, share work, and communicate in a safe environment. Work is also underway to prepare for NEASC accreditation for EHS.
3. District Administrators – The Board approved the paraprofessional evaluation system aligned to the NH Department of Education standards for certification and employee's job description. The revised teacher evaluation system was approved by the evaluation committee with minor change. The district's facility crew and district/town emergency teams were thanked for their preparation and response to Hurricane Irene. It was also reported that the district emergency plan has been presented to the town and the district is working with the town on incorporating it into the town plan. The Board approved filling the oil tanks and evaluating the fuel oil situation monthly. A public hearing was requested for approval of a furniture donation. The Board reviewed a request for tree removal and parking lot security cameras.
4. Policy – A second reading was held on substitute employees. A third reading was held on policy regarding school and district affiliated organizations as advised requiring a written agreement and annual fundraising proposal. Policy on student and parent financial obligations was approved. Policies may be viewed on [www.sau14.org](http://www.sau14.org) under School Board policy.
5. Next Meeting –The next regular meeting is scheduled for 7:00 pm on October 6th 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](http://www.sau14.org). Contact information is also located on the website.

Respectfully submitted,

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