

1 **GILMANTON SCHOOL BOARD REGULAR MEETING**

2 **TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 12, 2013**

3 **GILMANTON SCHOOL SCIENCE ROOM**

4 Board Members Present: Board Chair Renee, Frank Weeks, Michael Hatch, Ella Jo Regan, and  
5 Malcom MacLeod

6 Administrators Present: Superintendent Fauci, Principal Locke, Vice Principal Bergeron,  
7 Director of Student Services Emily Reese

8 Others Present: Liz Brulotte, Anne Kirby, Adam Mini, Joanne Gianni, Karen Boutwell, Erica  
9 Presby, Sally Sykie

10 **CALL TO ORDER:**

11 Board Chair Renee Kordas called the School Board Meeting to order at 6:00 P.M.

12 **PROOF OF POSTING:**

13 Proof of posting was verified as being duly posted by Superintendent Fauci.

14 **APPROVAL OF AGENDA:**

15 Superintendent Fauci asked to add two Power Point presentations to the agenda. The first is from  
16 the New England School Development Council (NESDEC), and the second, entitled The New  
17 Norm for Public Education, was put out by the DOE at the Superintendents' Meeting. These both  
18 address demographics.

19 Superintendent Fauci also asked to discuss the Board's position on their recommendations  
20 regarding warrant articles, and asked that action be taken tonight.

21 Another bid for the printing of the annual report has been received from Puritan Printing and this  
22 also needs to be acted upon.

23 An email has been received by Kristen Fischev regarding her inability to work at the polls as  
24 school clerk during the March election due to her intention of running for School Board.

25 Superintendent Fauci asked to delete the proposed 2013-2014 school calendar from the agenda  
26 because he and Principal Locke have not had a chance to review it in depth.

27 On a motion made by Ella Jo Regan, seconded by Mike Hatch, the Board unanimously voted to  
28 accept the agenda as amended.

29 **CORRESPONDENCE**

30 A letter and emails were received from Joanne Gianni regarding the school web page. Board  
31 Chair Renee Kordas stated that she and Joanne Gianni had exchanged several e-mails and the  
32 gist of the exchange is that Mrs. Gianni would like to see the schools website be more user-

33 friendly and kept up to date. Board Chair Renee Kordas complimented Karen Boutwell on her  
34 changes to the district portion of the website and will point these out later in the meeting.

35 Two letters were written by Caroline Powers, a Child Protective Service Worker from DCYF  
36 complimenting several members of our staff for their “dedication, compassion, and genuine  
37 interest in seeing these...children succeed in all areas.” Superintendent Fauci stated it is very rare  
38 to receive such letters.

39 Caroline Powers also wrote a letter to Director of Student Services Emily Reese and  
40 Superintendent Fauci thanking them for spearheading the effort to make the children’s time here  
41 so valuable and impactful. Director of Student Services Emily Reese asked that children’s names  
42 be blacked out to ensure confidentiality.

43 Kristen Fischev wrote a letter to the Board, stating that she is running for school Board. Since  
44 she is also school clerk, she is unable to serve at the polls due to the conflict in interest.

45 **DISCUSSION ITEMS:**

46 **Board Member Reports**

47 **Frank Weeks**

48 Excerpts from the Gilford School Board Meeting: February 4, 2013

49 In attendance: Malcom McCloud; Frank Weeks

- 50 1. NECAP Concerns: Scott Laliberte expressed two areas of concern. In mathematics,  
51 improvements in short answer and constructed response questions and proficiency with  
52 numbers and operations were indicated. In writing, analyzing and making inferences  
53 within informational text, and persuasive essays were indicated.  
54 Informational literature was given to Frank to pass on to Board Chair Renee Kordas.  
55 Director of Student Services Emily Reese stated the literature pertains to involvement of  
56 parents of children with disabilities.
- 57 2. Competency Standards: Most students took advantage of the Competency Recovery  
58 program: English 18 passed (21 eligible-eligibility is based on not accomplishing one  
59 competency expectation); Math 34 (39); Science 10 (12); and Social Studies 14(18).  
60 Those that did not attempt the program were expected to take the respective course over.
- 61 3. Course Scheduling: Will take place on March 5-8. Students and parents will enter course  
62 selections online. The success of online scheduling was mentioned for last year’s  
63 Gilmanton students, and will be done at Gilford Middle School for the first time.
- 64 4. HUOT Presentation: At the January 17 presentation, Hannah Davis spoke about her  
65 experience with the vocational programs. No Gilmanton parents were in attendance.
- 66 5. HUOT Open House: On Wednesday, February 13, there will be an Open House at 9:30,  
67 11:00, 1:00, 2:00, and 5:00.
- 68 6. Junior College Night: On Thursday, February 14, at 6:30, there will be a presentation on  
69 the college application process.
- 70 7. Sophomore Parent Night: On Thursday, February 21 at 6:30, there will be a presentation  
71 on “Planning for the Second Half of High School.”

- 72 8. Band/Chorus Competition in Washington, D.C.: The Band/Chorus Field Trip is from  
73 Friday, May 10, through Sunday, May 12. The Monster Concert is on Wednesday, May 8  
74 and the Choral Concert is on Thursday, May 16. Both concerts involve Gilmanton  
75 students.
- 76 9. Enrollment: The enrollment for the Gilford Grade 1 is 70 and Gilmanton is 52. The  
77 Kindergarten enrollment for the Gilford is 64 and Gilmanton is 62. The average High  
78 School enrollment is now approximately 31% (157 students). This will be a future  
79 financial consideration.
- 80 10. Graduation: This year's graduation will be on Sunday, June 9 at possibly 2 p.m. as  
81 Saturday, June 8 is a concert and Sunday, June 9 is the Belmont High School graduation  
82 at 11 a.m.
- 83 11. Chelsea Bowen Scholarship Fund: This scholarship is no longer has funding.  
84 a. Superintendent Fauci asked the Board's permission to speak with the  
85 superintendent at Gilford to see if we can resurrect it. The Board granted  
86 approval.
- 87 12. Student/Teacher Talent Show: On Thursday, January 31, the talent show was highlighted  
88 by a student who drank lemon juice as an encore after having eaten a lemon last year. A  
89 good time was had by all.
- 90 13. Smarter Balanced Assessment: In the spring of 2015, the "Smarter Balanced Assessment"  
91 will replace the NECAP testing. This is a computer test that is aligned to the "Common  
92 Core Standards."
- 93 14. Costa Rica Cultural Learning Experience: Request was granted for a trip to Costa Rica  
94 from February 22, 2014-March 3, 2014. Concerns were about the cost (\$2,273) and two  
95 days out of school prior to the winter break. This schedule will also allow students to  
96 avoid conflicts with athletic schedules.
- 97 15. Two Tier: Senior students will be offered a program (Two-Tier Strategy for  
98 Strengthening Math Preparedness) for LRCC. The program will increase readiness for  
99 college level mathematics for middle achieving high school students.
- 100 16. First Annual Gilford Meadows Golf Tournament: On Saturday, May 18, the golf  
101 tournament will be a fundraiser to improve upon the facilities at the Gilford Meadows  
102 athletic fields. This fundraiser will also benefit Gilmanton athletes.
- 103 17. Unified Basketball: The Unified Program allows coed students with and without  
104 disabilities to participate in a competitive interscholastic activity without the usual  
105 athletic intensity. As Peter Sawyer related to the Laconia Citizen, "It was stress-free  
106 basketball...stress-free coaching. It was fun, and that's what it is all about." The Unified  
107 Program conforms to a recent U.S. Education Department order that athletics is also a  
108 civil right for qualified handicapped students.
- 109 18. High School Play: The school spring play "Twelve Angry Jurors" will be on Thursday,  
110 March 21, Friday, March 22, and Saturday, March 23 at 7 p.m. Between the School play  
111 and the Festival Play "The Awful, Horrible Tragedy of Enrico", there will be 10  
112 Gilmanton students in the cast of 22. Students are: Ryan Hall, Alec Medine, Summer  
113 McGaffigan, Heather Hunt, Sophia Prevost, Jordon Plourde, Allie Taylor, Matt Adlard,  
114 Karen Clark (last year's Outstanding Festival Actress), and Anna Malek. Again our  
115 students have a greater participation percentage than our athletes.
- 116 19. Belmont/Gilford Cooperative Football: There is still no further update from Belmont as  
117 to a cooperative football team since the last meeting on October 19, 2012

118 20. Addendum: Gilford Track and Field Coach: Drew Taylor has been appointed to the high  
119 school track and field coach's position.

## 120 **Principal's Report**

121 **Current Enrollment-** Our school population is currently at 408 students, down from last  
122 month's 410. However, we have two new students entering school on March 4, bringing our  
123 totals back up to January's number.

124 **Rain Forest Show-** Mrs. Friend arranged for a Rain Forest Show to visit Gilmanton on Tuesday,  
125 February 5. The presenters showcased birds, reptiles, and animals from the Rain Forest, with a  
126 strong message about preserving the environment through recycling. The afternoon show was  
127 free for our students, and then they did two shows in the evening for Gilmanton and neighboring  
128 towns.

129 **NAEP (National Assessment of Educational Progress)-** Our fourth grade class participated in  
130 the NAEP on Monday, February 11. Sharon Johnston coordinated the testing so that the NAEP  
131 Team could have a successful visit at the Gilmanton School. Our test scores will become part of  
132 the "Nation's Report Card."

133 **K-2 Musical-** Our K-2 students performed the *Nutcracker* at 6:30 PM on Thursday, January 31.  
134 The show was a great success, with a standing-room-only crowd. The elementary teachers came  
135 that evening to supervise their students during arrival and dismissal times they helped to ensure  
136 that all students remained safe throughout the program. Ms. Sawyer worked tirelessly on  
137 costumes and props, and the students did a great job singing and dancing!

138 **Guidance News-** Gilford Guidance Counselors will be at the Gilmanton School on Wednesday,  
139 February 20<sup>th</sup> to meet with eighth grade parents and students. The Gilmanton middle school  
140 teachers have recommended courses, and parents were asked to register their students online  
141 before next week's meetings. The Gilford Guidance Counselors will talk to the families about  
142 individual schedules and course selections. Board Chair Renee Kordas asked how we  
143 communicate transition. Principal Locke said we send letters, emails, and try to cover all forms  
144 of communication. This year we have many parents who are sending children to the high school  
145 for the first time.

146 **Kindergarten Registration-** Mrs. Parada has been organizing our kindergarten registration. An  
147 advertisement is going into three area newspapers on six separate dates, and we will be posting  
148 information on our website. Kindergarten registration and screening will take place on April 18  
149 and 19, the Thursday and Friday before April Vacation.

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## 151 **Superintendent's Report**

152 Superintendent Fauci attended a SEADS day and complimented Karen Stockwell and all others  
153 involved in coordinating. He stated it is well organized and a wonderful commitment.

154 NECAP scores have come out and we are in the process of analyzing those. He stated he will be  
155 giving a presentation on those in an upcoming Board meeting. He added that he is cautiously  
156 optimistic about the scores.

157 Superintendent Fauci publicly thanked Ella Jo Regan and Frank Weeks for their years of  
158 dedication to the school, students, and community.

### 159 **Demographics**

160 A Power Point presentation was given by the Commissioner of Education to superintendents  
161 about some of the challenges to public education due to declining school enrollment. The title of  
162 the presentation is “What is the New Normal for Public Education?” The state is facing slow  
163 growth rate, stable or declining birthrate, slower migration, an aging population, limited  
164 revenues, and rising fixed costs. Principal Fauci shared this presentation with the Board this  
165 evening. Below is an overview. Please see the presentations for greater detail.

166 Graph 1 showed declining enrollment from 2002-2003 through 2011-2012. This included all  
167 grade levels and is based on the actual number of students enrolled in these years.

168 Graph 2 showed birthrates from 1995-2011, with a notable decrease from 2004-2011.

169 Younger households are in decline in the state of NH. For instance the group of individuals  
170 between 15 and 24 years old is on the decline and those between 25 and 34 years old is  
171 significantly on the decline.

172 Figure 5: Employment growth has changed from 49.4% between 1970-1980 to -.06% in 2010.

173 When comparing NH with the rest of New England, we were slightly below the median age of  
174 current residents in 1980. By 2010, the difference in median age was more noticeable and was  
175 also older.

176 Superintendent Fauci read an email he received from Dr. Kennedy, who performs demographics  
177 for NESDEC. Superintendent Fauci suggests conducting this demographic study annually and  
178 thanked the support staff and administration for gathering information so that Dr. Kennedy could  
179 complete the study. In the email Dr. Kennedy noted that our Kindergarten enrollment has  
180 increased dramatically more than in other districts. He also noted that our 1-8 population is  
181 steady. Frank Weeks noted that housing prices are less expensive in Gilmanton than in  
182 surrounding towns. Director of Student Services Emily Reese also noted that we have several  
183 multi-generation families living together.

184 According to the NESDEC demographic report 388 students were enrolled during the 2002-2003  
185 school year, then 392 in 2003-2004, 397 in 2004-2005, 398 in 2005-2006, 403 in 2006-2007, 424  
186 in 2007-2008, 411 in 2008-2009, 388 in 2009-2010, 371 in 2010-2011, 407 in 2011-2012, and  
187 406 in 2012-2013. These numbers are then broken down by grade spans and also by percentages.  
188 Liz Brulotte asked how much body space the previously drawn plans would afford us.  
189 Superintendent Fauci said that it depends on which plan is chosen because several were created.

190 Dr. Kennedy projected enrollment by grade going out ten years and believes that enrollment will  
191 be at 413 during the 2013-2014 academic year, we will be at 420 in 2014-2015 and throughout

192 2015-2016, 435 in 2016-2017, 427 in 2017-2018, 440 in 2018-2019, 453 in 2019-2020, 466 in  
193 2020-2021, 468 in 2021-2022, 463 in 2022-2023, 469 in 2023-2024. This is roughly three  
194 classrooms more. Dr. Kennedy also created a breakdown of where students are projected to land.  
195 This is a stark contrast to the State trends. Superintendent Fauci agreed with Malcom McLeod  
196 and Frank Weeks that this will have a significant financial impact down the road. Frank Weeks  
197 stated that in the future, we will be possibly paying more than half of the cost of the Gilford  
198 tuition. By examining our present enrollment and Gilford's present enrollment, we will be at  
199 about 50% of the population at Gilford. We are currently at 30% and we have roughly 13 more  
200 years with the area agreement with Gilford. Superintendent Fauci asked if the Board would like  
201 this presentation available on the website and the Board agreed this would be a good idea. Please  
202 see the two presentations for specific graphs and research data.

203 Frank Weeks asked about the one student we have enrolled in private school. Director of Student  
204 Services Emily Reese clarified that it is a school funded private placement.

### 205 **Bids for Printing the Annual School District Report**

206 Frank Weeks asked if the Puritan quote includes delivery. Superintendent Fauci was not sure, but  
207 stated he will ask. Board Chair Renee Kordas asked who we used last year and the difference  
208 between the types of binding. Superintendent Fauci said he thinks we used Independent Color  
209 Press. GBC binding is a glued binding and the Perfect is a pressed binding. This decision will be  
210 made in Action items.

### 211 **January 8, 2013 Meeting Minutes**

212 Ella Jo Regan stated she had consulted with Erika Langlais about a couple typographic errors  
213 prior to the meeting. However, everything else was fine.

### 214 **Recap of Deliberative Session**

215 Board Chair Renee Kordas asked Ella Jo Regan to discuss the Budget committee's position. She  
216 stated that the Budget Committee recommended the School Board's budget with the \$7000  
217 added back in after originally having been eliminated from the field trip budget. She stated that  
218 Brian Forst asked the Budget Committee to vote on each of the school budget items. If there  
219 were no changes, the article went through. He wanted to note if the vote was unanimous or not  
220 unanimous, then further note how many people on the Budget Committee voted for or against a  
221 particular article. Ella Jo Regan added that Brian Forst was disturbed that the capital reserve  
222 monies were changed and he did not realize that the final number had to be the Budget  
223 Committee number. He was disturbed because it appears as if they did not do anything to amend  
224 the budget. Superintendent Fauci said he raised that concern before, and it was addressed was by  
225 adding a column that shows the School Board's budget recommendations and the Budget  
226 committee's recommendations. Superintendent Fauci said this was going to be clear in the  
227 annual report and it was also mentioned to the public. Mike Hatch said the only reason the  
228 School Board moved the number is because no one else was moving it.

229 Board Chair Renee Kordas went through the articles:

230	Warrant Article	School Board	Budget Committee
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231	II.	District Officers Salaries	Unanimous	Unanimous
232	III.	G.S. Leach Field Pump		
233		Capital Reserve Fund	Unanimous	Unanimous
234	IV.	Sp. Ed. Expendable Trust Fund	No	Unanimous
235	V.	Roof Replacement Expendable		
236		Trust Fund	Unanimous	Unanimous
237	VI.	Fuel Storage Tank Capital		
238		Reserve	Unanimous	Unanimous
239	VII.	Water Storage Tanks Capital		
240		Reserve	Unanimous	Unanimous
241	VIII.	Paving Capital Reserve	Unanimous	Unanimous
242	IX.	Boiler Replacement Expendable		
243		Trust	Unanimous	Unanimous
244	X.	Tractor replacement Expendable		
245		Trust	No	Unanimous
246	XI.	Asbestos Tile Replacement		
247		Expendable Trust	Unanimous	Unanimous
248	XII.	HS Tuition Expendable Trust	No	Unanimous
249		i. The vote in this case was for the amended number of \$0 to the Trust		
250	XIII.	G.S. Operating Budget of	No	Unanimous
251		\$9,689,792		

252 Malcom McLeod said this is good information for next year so we can be aware of the best  
253 practices.

254 Ella Jo Regan suggested that Budget Committee receive a Capital Deposit information sheet  
255 outlining what would be voted on and the amounts that will be deposited.

256 Board Chair Renee Kordas said that we will continue to make improvements to the process.  
257 She asked Board members if they want to stick with their recommendations. Ella Jo Regan  
258 regretted not having further discussion about the High School fund. There is currently  
259 enough in the fund for two students. She feels we should have looked more closely at it and  
260 would agree with the decision to drop the amount to \$0. She recommends re-evaluating the  
261 Board's position on the High School fund. Frank Weeks said that looking after examining  
262 the projections we may be looking at three or four unexpected high school students.

263 **School Building Safety**

264 Superintendent Fauci stated that the school had a parent forum after the Connecticut tragedy to  
265 investigate our school safety. As a result, the administration has considered installing panic  
266 buttons throughout the building which can summon the police without question. Additional  
267 cameras were also considered. If approved, the secretary who monitors the comings and goings  
268 of people would have a screen that provides a better image of individuals entering. Off-site  
269 police security was discussed and we also held a lock down drill. Superintendent Fauci stated he  
270 was pleased with how smoothly and quickly it went. However, one main issue was that some  
271 rooms were not locked. Only the K-2 wing has doors that can be locked from the inside. He  
272 noted that one room is only as secure as the room it is attached to. It is important that all rooms  
273 can be locked down securely and added that he met with a locksmith, who quoted \$1300 for all

274 the locks to be fixed so that every door can lock from the inside. He already authorized this  
275 explaining that we had the money within some of the line items with which to make this change.  
276 Otherwise, teachers will have to go into the hallway or contend with keys that become  
277 ineffective as they age. The locks have not yet been changed. Superintendent Fauci has enclosed  
278 the bid for some of the security changes listed above. Board Chair Renee Kordas asked if the  
279 proposal for the Closed Circuit Television) CCTV system and the panic buttons are a separate  
280 package. Principal Locke confirmed they are and also noted a separate monthly charge for  
281 monitoring services. Ella Jo Regan asked if the panic button sets off a strobe, raising cpmcern  
282 about the use of strobes with children with epilepsy. Superintendent Fauci said this has not been  
283 decided, but it is unlikely. Malcom McLeod asked if the panic buttons are tamper proof.  
284 Superintendent Fauci said that that is a good question because they are not in advertised areas.  
285 Vice Principal Bergeron stated that they make panic buttons as fobs that can be worn around the  
286 neck and can be given to strategic individuals. Principal Locke said the biggest concern for  
287 notification is the Gym and the Music room because it is very difficult to hear announcements in  
288 these rooms. We have to find a system where these two rooms can have immediate information.  
289 Principal Locke said the last drill was held on a known day, but not at a known time. The next  
290 will be completely unannounced. Malcom McLeod asked where we would find the money to  
291 purchase this equipment. Superintendent Fauci responded, stating we would have to look at  
292 places that have been under-expended. Mike Hatch asked if Superintendent Fauci wants the  
293 Board to take action, which Superintendent Fauci confirmed he would like. Mike Hatch stated  
294 that he thinks cameras are a great idea. Superintendent Fauci said that our existing cameras are  
295 old and the resolution is poor, though Stephanie Waite does ask the appropriate questions of  
296 individuals entering the building. We can also take the camera from outside and place it  
297 elsewhere in the building. Ella Jo Regan asked if there is a camera where someone enters.  
298 Superintendent Fauci said that with the way they are set up now, there is a blind spot at the  
299 double door and he would like to have one at the foyer. Dave Sykie had previously suggested  
300 placing one at the front of the building pointing to the parking lot. Superintendent Fauci noted  
301 that these cameras can be viewed off site from iPads and computers as long as wi-fi connectivity  
302 is available. Cruisers do have limited wi-fi capabilities and would, therefore, be able to use them.  
303 Malcom asked how far a teacher would have to travel to reach a panic button. Principal Locke  
304 and Superintendent Fauci both said that hasn't yet been determined. Director of Student Services  
305 Emily Reese stated that they would likely be placed by entrances. Superintendent Fauci added  
306 that we currently have two radios that communicate with the Police Department. Frank Weeks  
307 asked the times that doors are locked. Principal Locke said they are locked after students arrive  
308 and unlock around 2:50 to allow for parent pick-up. Ella Jo Regan asked if there has been any  
309 further discussion about parent pick up and Principal Locke responded, stating that in the past  
310 parents haven't liked to wait for their children, so many would dismiss early. There are also  
311 sports busses and parents' vehicles could potentially block the paths of busses. For these reasons,  
312 delaying parent pick-up until after busses leave is not likely to work. Many concerns have also  
313 been raised by teachers, so Principal Locke said she has not even gotten to the survey. Director  
314 of Student Services Emily Reese noted that every parent currently must check in with a staff  
315 member and Principal Locke and Vice Principal Bergeron stand by the nurse's office. If they  
316 notice parents coming out through the front door, parents are asked if they have checked in with  
317 Mrs. Holland and they are encouraged to exit through the cafeteria. Otherwise it is a safety  
318 concern. Superintendent Fauci stated that we recently had a visitor to observe at recess and he  
319 observed several individuals question the visitor and was glad to see the concern of the staff.



320 Both Superintendent Fauci and Principal Locke felt the company from which they received the  
321 quote is a reputable company.

322 **Website**

323 Board Chair Renee Kordas asked Karen Boutwell, Principal Locke, and Superintendent Fauci to  
324 think creatively about how to make the school website more accessible to the public and easier to  
325 navigate and locate time sensitive information. The front page of the website is mostly for  
326 parents. However, the District updates section has current information. If the user clicks on the  
327 link for The District, which includes the SAU and School Board, it brings the user to information  
328 for the SAU and School Board. Across the top are the toolbar and the calendar, which includes  
329 the dates for the School Board meetings. These are subject to change. Policies are listed in order  
330 after clicking on the top bar. If a user clicks on Gilman School, it brings the user back to the  
331 homepage. Clicking on Recent Updates will bring the user to PDF documents with information.  
332 Previously, items were listed individually, but they are now bucketed together.

333 Superintendent Fauci asked if notices regarding the cancelled and rescheduled Deliberative  
334 Session had been removed. Karen Boutwell said they had just been taken down this morning. He  
335 asked how this site lends itself to a mobile application. Karen Boutwell said that the website  
336 would look the same on a mobile device, but she did add that depending on the device, you may  
337 need to scroll a bit to the right. Everything on the site is compatible with mobile devices and  
338 nothing on the site has JAVA or Adobe. This was done intentionally, which Superintendent  
339 Fauci pointed out takes the public into consideration. Malcom McLeod asked where the  
340 information goes when people try to contact the “District” to which Karen Boutwell replied that  
341 it is contact information for the school and the e-mails sent through that link go to  
342 administration. He asked if someone could contact him through the email on the site. Karen  
343 Boutwell said she made sure not to put actual live links to e-mail addresses because it causes  
344 spam to be sent to those addresses. Instead, she gave directions regarding how to contact all staff  
345 members. Malcom McLeod suggested adding information on the capital improvement plan.  
346 Superintendent Fauci said that was something we didn’t think of, but we can do that in the  
347 future. Ella Jo Regan asked how often it is updated and also asked if someone feeds her  
348 information. Karen Boutwell said that as she receives information, she updates the website.  
349 Additionally, she reviews it once per week for outdated information and updates the homepage  
350 daily. Superintendent Fauci stated Karen can work on the website remotely, from home, and has  
351 worked on it while on vacation as well. She is currently the only person who can make changes  
352 to the site and Superintendent Fauci further noted that when significant changes are made, Karen  
353 Boutwell e-mails Principal Locke, Vice Principal Bergeron, and Superintendent Fauci so they  
354 may all review the changes. Board Chair Renee Kordas asked how often the teacher web pages  
355 are updated. Principal Locke stated that they update them on a weekly basis during tech  
356 integration time and Sharon Johnston updates the homework page every night. Board Chair  
357 Renee Kordas thanked Karen Boutwell for her work and stated that the concern was so that the  
358 site is updated in a timely manner, which she appears to do. Frank Weeks asked if the  
359 rescheduled tournament dates had been posted. Karen Boutwell said they had not been posted  
360 because she was not aware of the new schedule. Principal Locke verified that this was a difficult  
361 posting to make because of the back and forth communication with other schools. Superintendent  
362 Fauci suggested opening discussion around the website only while Karen is here.

363 **PUBLIC COMMENT**

364 Liz Brulotte stated that she has been to various school sites and they haven't been user friendly.  
365 She thanked Karen Boutwell for her hard work.

366 Joanne Gianni stated that the filing period for school positions was still up there even though the  
367 period had been closed on January 30. She also observed that announcements are in alphabetical  
368 order, but opined that there are some time sensitive issues that she felt should be put in order  
369 according to date. Board Chair Renee Kordas said time sensitive issues are currently located in  
370 three different areas so they are easy to find. Karen Boutwell said that when she thinks of  
371 looking at an announcements page, she would tend to look at items alphabetically, but added that  
372 she is willing to make changes. Adam Mini asked if these items are also on a separate calendar  
373 and asked if they could they be merged onto one district calendar. Karen Boutwell said the  
374 Announcements are those that pertain to the SAU/District level, which is different from the  
375 School Announcements. Joanne Gianni asked if SAU and School District are different. Karen  
376 Boutwell stated that they are under the same heading now. Superintendent Fauci asked if there is  
377 a section where all meetings are listed. Board Chair Renee Kordas said there was a one page  
378 listing and Karen showed it to the public. Joanne Gianni said it didn't make sense to her because  
379 items were not deleted as they happened. However, Superintendent Fauci explained that in order  
380 for Karen to delete each item, she would have to create a whole new PDF to eliminate one item.  
381 Board Chair Renee Kordas said we can take these suggestions into considerations for next year.  
382 Principal Locke said that important events are posted on the school calendar and this was also  
383 showed to the public. She said that we are learning that with SB2, we could extract certain pieces  
384 that could be listed independently of the school events. Director of Student Services Emily Reese  
385 pointed out the upcoming events on the homepage also lists all time sensitive events. Joanne  
386 Gianni stated she had never seen them and added that she feels certain items should be blocked  
387 together. Board Chair Renee Kordas thanked the public for their input and thanked Karen  
388 Boutwell for her assistance.

389 Liz Brulotte asked if it is necessary to make school district packets in as great abundance as they  
390 had been made before, since we are not having the school district meeting anymore. Ella Jo  
391 Regan agreed, but Principal Locke stated she feels there may be more distributed at the polls. We  
392 currently have 800 packets scheduled to be created. Mike Hatch suggested seeing how many are  
393 distributed this year and evaluate afterward. Sally Sykie agreed with Mike Hatch to see how they  
394 go this year. Principal Locke stated a staff member suggested having them available at the  
395 deliberative session. Mike Hatch was concerned that fewer copies force the price up.

396 Erica Presby asked that in addition to the panic buttons and cameras, is there any thought about  
397 increasing the budget next year? Mike Hatch said the safety of students is always primary  
398 concern.

399 Sally Sykie stated she felt there are not enough cameras and believes there should be more  
400 cameras in more remote areas. Superintendent Fauci said area schools vary in their level of  
401 security, ranging from no building entry process, to a school that has 24 cameras. Frank Weeks  
402 expressed concerned about the times before and after school. Ella Jo Regan said it is important to  
403 remember to always do whatever we can to make things secure, but there is never a guarantee.  
404 This is not to diminish the gravity of this topic. She felt it important to not make the school a  
405 prison.

406 **ACTION ITEMS:**

407 **On a motion made by Frank Weeks, seconded by Ella Jo Regan, the Board unanimously**  
408 **voted to approve Bid Award for Printing the Annual School District Report to Independent**  
409 **Color Press for the GBC binding.**

410 Frank Weeks asked when they will be ready. Superintendent Fauci said there is a deadline,  
411 typically a week before district meeting.

412 **On a motion made by Ella Jo Regan, seconded by Frank Weeks, the Board unanimously**  
413 **voted to approve Meeting Minutes as written of January 8, 2013.**

414 **On a motion made by Mike Hatch, seconded by Malcom McLeod, the Board unanimously**  
415 **voted to accept the CCT TV addition at \$1040.00.**

416 Malcom McLeod would like to see an additional proposal including the wearable panic buttons.  
417 He is concerned that just having the five panic buttons will not be enough. We know the quote  
418 for the 5, but he would like a quote for 5 lanyards and five of each.

419 With the new CCTV addition, the camera at the entrance will be moved elsewhere and the new  
420 camera will be put at the door. The camera at the gym can be turned to view the doors. Ella Jo  
421 Regan asked about a camera in the cafeteria. Superintendent Fauci said there is one live camera  
422 in there and another is a dummy adding that there are three egresses in the cafeteria and only one  
423 can be seen by the camera. There is also an egress by the copier near the teachers' room. Mike  
424 Hatch said that if we have the monies by the end of the year, we should order more cameras.  
425 Principal Locke said the front door camera is a priority. Other cameras are up to the board  
426 discretion. Frank Weeks asked about the turnaround time. Superintendent Fauci felt it would be  
427 here by February vacation and asked for direction about where to put the older camera. Frank  
428 Weeks suggested contacting the police department for guidance.

429 Voting arrangements were made to cover the March voting.

430 **On a motion made by Ella Jo Regan, seconded by Frank Weeks, the Board unanimously**  
431 **voted to change their recommendation on article 12 to recommend \$0.**

432 **ADJOURNMENT**

433 **On a motion made by Ella Jo Regan, seconded by Mike Hatch, the Board unanimously**  
434 **voted to adjourn at 8:33 PM.**

435 Respectfully,

436 Renee Kordas, Chairperson