

1 TAMWORTH SCHOOL DISTRICT  
2 SCHOOL BOARD MEETING  
3 THURSDAY, JANUARY 19 @ 5:30 PM  
4 K.A. BRETT SCHOOL LIBRARY  
5 DRAFT MINUTES  
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7 Board members attending: Chairperson Jack Waldron, Kathi Padgett, Dennis Quinn, Helen  
8 Steele, Jen Westover

9 Others attending: Superintendent Lou Goscinski, Business Administrator Chuck Bates,  
10 Principal Ken Hawkins

11 CALL TO ORDER: Chair Jack Waldron called the meeting to order at 5:30 PM. All present  
12 pledged allegiance to the flag.

13 APPROVAL OF AGENDA: Motion by Helen Steele to approve the agenda, seconded by Kathi  
14 Padgett. There were some additions: under New Business was added "C. Vote to Ratify TESP  
15 CBA" and "D. Vote to Ratify TEA CBA." Under Old Business was added "C. Drew Fund Update."  
16 With these changes the amended agenda was approved unanimously.

17 APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- 18 A. Regular School Board Meeting 12-15-16: Motion by Dennis Quinn to approve the  
19 minutes of 12-15-16, seconded by Kathi Padgett. The motion passed unanimously.

20 ACCEPTANCE OF CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS: Motion by Helen Steele to accept the Consent  
21 Agenda, seconded by Dennis Quinn. The motion passed unanimously.

- 22 A. K.A. Brett School Principal's Correspondence  
23 B. KHS Principal's Correspondence - January  
24 C. 2016-2017 Expenditure Report  
25 D. Capital Reserve Fund Balances

26 PUBLIC INPUT: None.

27 CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT

28 A. Calendar:

- 29 1. Public Hearing on Proposed 2017-2018 School District Budget & 2017 School District  
30 Warrant: Thursday, February 9, 2017 @ 5:30 PM – Brett School Cafeteria. Please  
31 Note: A special school board meeting will be held immediately after the public  
32 hearing.

33 PRINCIPAL'S REPORT  
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- 35 A. Technology Report: The board reviewed the Technology Report that was in the board  
36 packet. Jack Waldron asked if we need to populate computers in the computer lab. This  
37 was discussed.
- 38 B. Safety & Fire Code Report: Principal Ken Hawkins said this is the first year we've had a  
39 written report and we are trying to set up an appointment with the Fire Chief to get some  
40 questions answered. There was a discussion about electric outlet capacity.

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42 BUSINESS ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

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- 44 A. FY 16 Audit Update: Business Administrator Chuck Bates said the auditors came in last  
45 Thursday and we are hoping to have the audit results available for the annual district  
46 meeting.

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48 SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

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- 50 A. KHS Data Report: Superintendent Lou Goscinski said Donna Ulitz has been collecting  
51 data from KHS and has put some information together for the board. Jack Waldron said  
52 he thought this project has worked out well.
- 53 B. Letter to Education Commissioner in Re: Correlation Between Free & Reduced Lunch &  
54 SBAC Scores: In the board packet. FYI.
- 55 C. Notice from Tamworth Planning Board: Lou said he had put this on the agenda in case  
56 the board wanted to send a representative to the meeting. Kathi Padgett said she thought  
57 the issue being discussed would not impact the board and there was no need for a  
58 representative to attend.

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60 SCHOOL BOARD BUSINESS

61 *Old Business*

- 62 A. Review Version #3 of the Tamworth School District 2017-2018 Budget: Chuck Bates  
63 began his discussion of the budget by reviewing the changes since the last meeting,  
64 including the reduction of one teaching position and a reduction of one para position  
65 along with associated benefits. Chuck noted that OOD tuition was reduced due to  
66 expected needs. Total adjustment from Version 2 was (\$159,605.13). He noted that the  
67 2017-2018 proposed budget grand total is \$6,857,144, a 1.95% difference from last year.  
68 There was some discussion about this, with some questions raised by Jack Waldron.  
69 There was a discussion about the cost of fuel oil, currently budgeted at \$60,000. It was  
70 agreed that this could be reduced by \$5,000. It was noted that health insurance costs are  
71 less than expected. Chuck said he will provide a breakdown of why the cost is lower.
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- 73 B. Review Warrant Articles for the 2017 Tamworth School District Warrant:

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75 PROPOSED TAMWORTH SCHOOL DISTRICT WARRANT  
76 TO BE REVIEWED AT THE PUBLIC HEARING SCHEDULED FOR  
77 FEBRUARY 9, 2017  
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79 NOTE: WARRANT TO BE REVIEWED & APPROVED BY THE SCHOOL DISTRICT'S  
80 ATTORNEY & NH DRA PRIOR TO OFFICIAL POSTING – IN PROCESS

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82 TAMWORTH SCHOOL DISTRICT WARRANT  
83 STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

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85 To the inhabitants of the school district in the Town of Tamworth, County of Carroll, State of  
86 New Hampshire, qualified to vote on school district affairs:

87 You are hereby notified to meet in the K.A. Brett School Gymnasium on Wednesday, March 8,  
88 2017 at 7:00 PM (snow date Friday, March 10, 2017 at 7:00 PM) to act upon the following  
89 subjects:

90 ARTICLE I. To see if the school district will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$6,583,928  
91 for the support of schools, for the payment of salaries for school district officials and agents, and  
92 for payment of statutory obligations of the district. (The school board recommends this  
93 appropriation.)

94 ARTICLE II. To see if the school district will vote to adopt a school administrative unit budget of  
95 \$705,717 for the 2017-2018 school year in which \$268,216 is assigned to the school budget of  
96 this school district. (The school board recommends this appropriation.)

97 This year's adjusted budget of \$697,703 with \$265,090 assigned to the school district budget  
98 will be adopted if the article does not receive a majority vote of all the district voters in this  
99 administrative unit.

100 ARTICLE III. To see if the school district will vote to approve the cost items included in the  
101 Collective Bargaining Agreement reached between the Tamworth School Board and the  
102 Tamworth Education Association, which calls for the following increases in salaries and benefits  
103 at the current staffing levels:

104 Estimated increase

105 Year 2017-2018	\$38,315
106 Year 2018-2019	\$62,392
107 Year 2019-2020	\$70,177

108 And further to raise and appropriate the sum of \$38,315 for the 2017-2018 fiscal year, such sum  
109 representing the additional costs attributable to the increase in salaries and benefits required by  
110 the new agreement over those that would be paid at current staffing levels in accordance with  
111 the most recent collective bargaining agreement. (The school board recommends this  
112 appropriation.)

113 ARTICLE IV. To see if the school district will vote to approve the cost items included in the  
114 Collective Bargaining Agreement reached between the Tamworth School Board and the

115 Tamworth Education Support Personnel Association, which calls for the following increases in  
116 salaries and benefits at the current staffing levels:

117 Estimated increase

118 Year 2017-2018 \$ 10,070

119 Year 2018-2019 \$ 13,856

120 and further to raise and appropriate the sum of \$10,070 for the 2017-2018 fiscal year, such sum  
121 representing the additional costs attributable to the increase in salaries and benefits required by  
122 the new agreement over those that would be paid at current staffing levels in accordance with  
123 the most recent Collective Bargaining Agreement. (The school board recommends this  
124 appropriation.)

125 ARTICLE V: To see if the school district will vote to raise and appropriate up to Thirty Thousand  
126 Dollars (\$30,000) to be added to the previously established School Renovation and Emergency  
127 Reserve Fund. This sum to come from the June 30, 2017 unreserved fund balance available for  
128 transfer on July 1, 2017. No amount to be raised from taxation. (The school board recommends  
129 this appropriation.)

130 ARTICLE VI. To transact any other business that may legally come before this meeting.  
131 Given under our hands this 9<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2017:

132 Dennis Quinn

133 Kathi Padgett

134 Helen Steele

135 Jack Waldron (Chairperson)

136 Jennifer Westover

137 Tamworth School Board

138 C. Drew Fund Update: Kathi Padgett updated the board on the results of her research. She  
139 said this turned out to be a much more complex venture than she had thought it would  
140 be. She said resolving this issue would probably require going before a probate judge in  
141 Carroll County, invoking the doctrine of *cy pres* (*cy pres comme possible*: “as near as  
142 possible to the testator’s or donor’s intentions when these cannot be precisely followed”).  
143 She said the Court could decide what to do with the funds, and since this involves only  
144 about \$8,000, hopefully they would be willing do this gratis.

145 SCHOOL BOARD BUSINESS

146 *New Business*

147 A. Vote to move the 2017-2018 Tamworth School District Proposed Budget to be posted for  
148 a public hearing scheduled for Thursday, February 9, 2017 at 5:30 PM.

149 Motion by Helen Steele to move the 2017-2018 Tamworth School District Proposed Budget to be  
150 posted for a public hearing scheduled for Thursday, February 9, 2017 at 5:30 PM. Seconded by  
151 Kathi Padgett. The motion passed unanimously.

152 B. Vote to move the 2017 Tamworth School District Warrant to be posted for a public  
153 hearing scheduled for Thursday, February 9, 2017 at 5:30 PM.

154 Motion by Kathi Padgett to move the 2017 Tamworth School District Warrant to be posted for a  
155 public hearing scheduled for Thursday, February 9, 2017 at 5:30 PM. Seconded by Dennis  
156 Quinn. The motion passed unanimously.

157 C. Vote to Ratify TESPACBA.

158 Motion by Helen Steele to ratify the TESPACBA, seconded by Kathi Padgett. The motion passed  
159 unanimously.

160 D. Vote to Ratify TEACBA.

161 Motion by Helen Steele to ratify the TEACBA, seconded by Kathi Padgett. The motion passed  
162 unanimously.

163 Superintendent Goscinski thanked Jack Waldron, Dennis Quinn, and Chuck Bates for their  
164 work on this and thanked the negotiators on the other side as well. He said he's grateful we're  
165 past this and we can now move forward.

166 E. Appoint School District Clerk: Jack Waldron recommended that the board appoint Peggy  
167 Johnson of Tamworth and Wonalancet as School District Clerk.

168 Motion by Helen Steele to appoint Peggy Johnson as School District Clerk, seconded by Kathi  
169 Padgett. The motion passed unanimously.

170 F. Review Items for the Annual Report: The Annual Report was discussed.

171 PUBLIC INPUT: None.

172 NON-PUBLIC SESSION 7:10 PM: Motion by Helen Steele to enter non-public session to act  
173 upon a matter or matters referenced in the following provisions of RSA 91-A: 3, II (a)-(c),  
174 seconded by Kathi Padgett. On a roll call vote the board entered non-public session:

175 Kathi Padgett – Aye

176 Dennis Quinn – Aye

177 Helen Steele – Aye

178 Jack Waldron – Aye

179 Jen Westover - Aye

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181 The Ayes have it.

182 Others present: Superintendent Lou Goscinski, Business Administrator Chuck Bates, Principal  
183 Ken Hawkins, Recording Secretary Patricia Ambrose

184 A. Personnel Matters: The superintendent nominated Hunter Haynes as Ski Coach.

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186 Motion by Jen Westover to approve the nomination of Hunter Haynes as Ski Coach,  
187 seconded by Kathi Padgett. The motion passed 4-0-1: Kathi Padgett, Aye; Dennis Quinn,  
188 Aye; Helen Steele, Abstain; Jack Waldron, Aye; Jen Westover, Aye.

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190 B. Student Matters: Discussed.

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192 PUBLIC SESSION RECONVENES: 7:30 PM: Motion by Helen Steele to come out of non-public  
193 session, seconded by Jen Westover. On a roll call vote the board came out of non-public session:

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195 Kathi Padgett – Aye

196 Dennis Quinn – Aye

197 Helen Steele – Aye

198 Jack Waldron – Aye

199 Jen Westover – Aye

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201 The Ayes have it.

202 ACTION AS A RESULT OF NON-PUBLIC SESSION

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204 A. Announcements: The board approved the superintendent's nomination of Hunter  
205 Haynes as Ski Coach.

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207 ADJOURNMENT: 7:35 PM: Motion by Jen Westover to adjourn, seconded by Kathi Padgett.  
208 The motion passed unanimously and the meeting adjourned at 7:35 PM.

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210 Tamworth School Board Meeting, January 19, 2017

211 Draft Minutes

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213 Respectfully submitted,

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217 Patricia Ambrose

218 Recording Secretary