

Waterville Valley School Board Meeting – January 16, 2025

Public Meeting at WVES

Members Present: Mike Furgal and Tim Smith

Administration Present: Lindsay Costello, Principal WVES; Pam Martin, SAU 48 Assistant Superintendent; Kara Levasseur, SAU 48 Technology Director

Public Present: 0

Zoom: 0 via Zoom

Meeting called to order at 4:00 PM by Mike Furgal. Roll Call Attendance: Tim Smith and Mike Furgal present.

Agenda Review and Disposition: Add the Budget Hearing Presentation to Agenda.

Minutes of December 19, 2024: Tim Smith “I MOTION to accept the minutes of December 19, 2024.” Mike Furgal seconded, and MOTION PASSED.

Privilege of the Floor #1: none

Principal’s Report:

- School Safety Update
 - Drills: Fire 7 of 10, Lock Down, Shelter in Place, Reverse Evacuation, Off-Site
 - Safety Meetings 1 of 3
- Winter Concert with cohorts and individual performances
- Winter Program on 1/8 was cancelled due to -23 degrees on mountain
- Enrollment: K-8 = 34; PRHS = 10
- Middle School Meeting on 12/17 regarding DC trip; families with financial need can reach out to PTO for assistance
- Upcoming Dates:
 - 1/20: No school, MLK Day
 - 1/21: Teacher In-Service
 - 1/22: Week 3 Winter Program
 - 1/23: Squam Lake Science Center to WVES (K-2, 3-5)
 - 1/24: Progress Reports
 - 1/29: Week 4 Winter Program
 - 1/30: Squam Lake Science Center to WVES (6-8)
 - 2/5: Week 5 Winter Program
 - 2/10: School Budget Hearing @ 6:00
 - 2/12: Week 6 Winter Program – Final week
 - 2/19: Squam Lake Science Center to WVES (K-2, 3-5)

Discussion Items:

- A. **Technology Update – Kara Levasseur:** Kara Levasseur discussed servers vs. cloud access and the purpose of servers is security access, files and printing. Kara will update the technology related items on the CIP.
- B. **Budget Draft 3:** Reviewed. Voting Day, 3/11, will take place in the Gym from 11:00 – 5:00 and the WVES students will be vacating the school building by 10:30.

Tim Smith “I MOTION to move Budget Draft 3 as amended to Budget Hearing.”
Mike Furgal seconded, and MOTION PASSED.

C. Warrant Article Review:

Article 1 Reports of agents, auditors, committees or officer

To see what action the District will take relative to the reports of agents, auditors, committees and officers.

Article 2 Change School District Officer Terms

Are you in favor of changing the terms of the school district clerk, moderator and treasurer from one year to two years, beginning with the terms of the school district clerk, moderator and treasurer to be elected at next year’s regular school district meeting?

Article 3 Teacher’s Collective Bargaining Agreement

To see if the school district will vote to approve the cost items included in the collective bargaining agreement reached between the School Board and the Waterville Valley Educators Association which calls for the following increases in salaries and benefits at the current staffing level:

Fiscal Year	Estimated Increase
2025-2026	\$40,246
2026-2027	\$27,106
2027-2028	\$22,791

And further to raise and appropriate Forty Thousand Two Hundred Forty-Six dollars (\$40,246) for the current fiscal year, such sum representing the additional costs attributable to the increase in salaries and benefits required by the new agreement over those that would be paid at current staffing levels.

Recommendations required. (Majority vote required)

Article 4 Operating Budget

To see if the district will vote to raise and appropriate the amount of one Million Seven Hundred Four Thousand Six Hundred Sixty-Three Dollars (\$1,704,663) for the support of schools, for the payment of salaries for the school district officials and agents, and for the payment for the statutory obligations of the district. This article does not include appropriations contained in special or individual articles

addressed separately. The School Board recommends this article. (Majority vote required)

Tim Smith "I MOTION to move Warrant Articles to Budget Hearing.: Mike Furgal seconded, and MOTION PASSED.

Privilege of the Floor #2: none

Consent Items: None

Tim Smith "I MOTION to close the public session." Mike Furgal seconded and closed the public portion of the School Board meeting at 4:41.

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Non-Public Minutes

Nonpublic Session: At 4:42 the Nonpublic commenced with Mike Furgal and Tim Smith present.

Others Present: Lindsay Costello, Principal; Pam Martin, Assistant Superintendent

Tim Smith "I MOTION to close the non-public session." Mike Furgal seconded and closed the non-public portion of the School Board meeting at 5:58.

Continuation of Public Meeting:

Tim Smith "I MOTION to accept two non-resident tuition students for the school year 2025-2026." Mike Furgal seconded, and MOTION PASSED.

Tim Smith closed the Public Meeting at 5:00 PM, Mike Furgal seconded.

Future Meetings 2/20 @ 4:00

Budget Hearing: Monday, February 10, 2025 @6:00 PM

District Meeting: Monday, March 10, 2025 @ 6:00 PM

Lori Fernandes, secretary

