

**New Milford Board of Education  
 Regular Meeting Minutes  
 August 17, 2021  
 Sarah Noble Intermediate School Library Media Center**

<b>Present:</b>	Mr. Joseph Failla Mr. Pete Helmus Mr. Brian McCauley Mrs. Tammy McInerney Mrs. Eileen Monaghan Mrs. Olga I. Rella
<b>Absent:</b>	Mrs. Wendy Faulenbach

<b>Also Present:</b>	Ms. Alisha DiCorpo, Superintendent of Schools Ms. Holly Hollander, Assistant Superintendent Mr. Anthony Giovannone, Director of Operations and Fiscal Services Mrs. Catherine Gabianelli, Human Resources Director Mrs. Laura Olson, Director of Pupil Personnel and Special Services Mr. Matthew Cunningham, Facilities Director Mr. Nestor Aparicio, Assistant Facilities Director Ms. Jamie Terry, Technology Director Mrs. Anne Bilko, Sarah Noble Intermediate School Principal Mrs. Gwen Gallagher, Northville Elementary School Principal Dr. Christopher Longo, Schaghticoke Middle School Principal Mr. Raymond Manka, New Milford High School Principal
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<b>1.</b> <b>A.</b>	<b>Call to Order</b> <b>Pledge of Allegiance</b>  The regular meeting of the New Milford Board of Education was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Mrs. McInerney. The Pledge of Allegiance immediately followed.	<b>Call to Order</b> <b>A. Pledge of Allegiance</b>
<b>2.</b>	<b>Public Comment</b>  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Mrs. McInerney said public comment typically is limited to three minutes per speaker, but since there are just a few people who signed up to speak she will extend the time to five minutes.</li> <li>Hilary Ram thanked all for everything they did last year in support of students. She asked that leadership listens to DPH and scientists. She supports the Governor's mandate for mask</li> </ul>	<b>Public Comment</b>  <p style="text-align: right;">RECEIVED        TOWN CLERK <i>THA</i>        2021 AUG 19 A 8:03</p>

	<p>wearing through September 30. She wants to keep students in school and says we should use all the tools at our disposal to help that, including mask wearing.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Amy Photopoulos thanked everyone for their work towards a safe school opening for in person learning. She hopes universal masking will continue in school and buses, especially with no remote schooling option this year. The bottom line is safety for students and staff. She hopes practice, support and modeling of mask wearing is in the reopen plan.</li> <li>● Megan Byrd supports universal mask wearing in all public settings, especially with the rising numbers. She said there are bound to be exposures even with the mitigation strategies used. For students who need to be out of school, she is asking to have cameras on in the classrooms to view live instruction, not just asynchronous learning.</li> <li>● Daniella Tompos said she spoke at the last meeting about why planned in person strategies need to change. She feels it is about politics not what's best for student health. She said the screening testing survey was insulting.</li> <li>● Erica Cabrera said masking and social distancing are keeping kids from building natural immunity and that science should be included in the discussion.</li> <li>● Nannette Pelletier said CDC guidance should be followed as they are the experts doing the most research.</li> </ul>	
<p><b>3.</b></p>	<p><b>PTO Report</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Mrs. Pelletier, the new Townwide PTO President, said the PTO met in person last night outside and socially distanced for the first time in over a year. She said they are planning to provide breakfast to staff at each of the schools on the Convocation Day, August 23. There are no other plans in August due to rising COVID</li> </ul>	<p><b>PTO Report</b></p>

	<p>numbers. All are on hold until September for now.</p>	
<p><b>4.</b></p> <p><b>A.</b></p>	<p><b>Approval of Minutes</b></p> <p><b>Approval of the following Board of Education Meeting Minutes:</b></p> <p><b>1. Regular Meeting Minutes July 20, 2021</b></p> <p><b>Mr. McCauley moved to approve the following Board of Education Meeting Minutes: Regular Meeting Minutes July 20, 2021, seconded by Mrs. Rella.</b></p> <p><b>The motion passed unanimously.</b></p> <p><b>2. Special Meeting Minutes August 10, 2021</b></p> <p><b>Mrs. Rella moved to approve the following Board of Education Meeting Minutes: Special Meeting Minutes August 10, 2021, seconded by Mr. McCauley.</b></p> <p><b>The motion passed 5-0-1; Mrs. Monaghan abstained.</b></p>	<p><b>Approval of Minutes</b></p> <p><b>A. Approval of the following Board of Education Meeting Minutes:</b></p> <p><b>1. Regular Meeting Minutes July 20, 2021</b></p> <p><b>Motion made and passed unanimously to approve the following Board of Education Meeting Minutes: Regular Meeting Minutes July 20, 2021.</b></p> <p><b>2. Special Meeting Minutes August 10, 2021</b></p> <p><b>Motion made and passed to approve the following Board of Education Meeting Minutes: Special Meeting Minutes August 10, 2021.</b></p>
<p><b>5.</b></p>	<p><b>Superintendent's Report</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Ms. DiCorpo thanked the PTO for all they do. She said they will be discussing a building use document related to COVID later in the agenda.</li> <li>● Ms. DiCorpo thanked the Facilities staff for all their work to make the schools look beautiful for reopening. She thanked Mr. Aparicio especially for his leadership this summer as Interim Director. She welcomed new Director Matt Cunningham. She thanked the district Cabinet members for all their work this summer as well.</li> <li>● New Teacher Orientation and the Administrator Retreat have been completed successfully.</li> </ul>	<p><b>Superintendent's Report</b></p>

- Convocation format has been shifted from all in at one site to school-based for social distancing. She thanked the PTO for providing breakfast that day.
- Staffing updates: All fall coaches are filled. District-wide there were 97.5 vacancies and 25.5 left to fill, just a few at each school. This includes ESSER II positions.
- TAG update: The Assistant Superintendent sent an email to all families of students who have been identified as Talented and Gifted, reiterating the commitment of the district to serve and support all students. We are in the process of interviewing candidates over the next week and a half. In the meantime, Ms. Hollander has been in communication with the principals of SNIS and SMS to keep them informed, as we know scheduling for students is occurring right now.
- School Opening Information will be presented this evening. I will review it in detail once we arrive at that agenda item. The updated reopening plan will be sent out tomorrow, August 18, 2021, along with my return to school letter. This afternoon, Governor Ned Lamont held a press conference and confirmed that, to ensure a safe return to in-person learning this fall, all persons must continue to wear masks in K-12 school buildings through September 30, 2021, regardless of their vaccination status. The Executive Order allows for continuing exemptions for individuals who cannot wear masks due to medical conditions or disability. Superintendents were told by the Commissioner that finalized written guidance from the DPH and the CSDE will be released shortly. School letters from each building will follow my letter on August 19. A survey will accompany the building principal's letters regarding busing. Bus information, routes for 21-22, were received from All-Star today and will be sent to all stakeholders.

- A Covid-19 Management template regulation that aligns with 1330 Facilities Use is on the agenda this evening for discussion by the BOE.
- Since there is no remote learning option this year, a Homeschool link will be added to the website this week which will contain information for interested parents.
- There will be a Parent/Staff Forum on Thursday, August 19, from 5:30-7:00 p.m. via Zoom. The link was sent to parents and staff on August 12. Ms. DiCorpo will give a brief overview of reopening then take questions. Speakers will be limited to 2-3 minutes so all have a chance to speak.
- There are no new fundraisers since last month's report.
- Walkthroughs of each school will take place this week in conjunction with Lisa Morrissey, Facilities personnel and principals. HPS, SNIS and NMHS walkthroughs are scheduled for Thursday, and NES and SMS for Friday.
- The screening testing survey sent to all K-6 is closed at this time; that group would be the only ones eligible. We will be discussing the outcomes and preparing for the next steps.
- The first enrollment report was run from PowerSchool. We reduced a Kindergarten position at NES as the number of students was less than anticipated and reviewed the balance of class sizes for HPS and NES. A first-grade position was also moved to grade two to accommodate a more balanced class size. Currently we have 100 homeschooled students for the 21-22 school year (50 of which withdrew for homeschooling last year). We have had 25 homeschooled students return to school. There were no reductions in force or additional positions requested which demonstrates that our enrollment projections during budget were in alignment with actuals in most cases.
- Convocation planning for August 23 is continuing to take place. We are reviewing mitigation strategies regarding locations and

	<p>sessions and will have a finalized document for staff by Thursday or Friday of this week. You are all cordially invited as BOE members. More details to follow.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Freshman orientation will be held for all incoming freshmen tomorrow starting at 10:00 a.m. in the theater (important reminder that masks are a must for all attendees and social distancing be maintained as well). While parents and guardians will not be attending, a video will be recorded and released addressing some FAQs regarding NMHS.</li> </ul>	
<p><b>6.</b></p>	<p><b>Board Chairman’s Report</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Mrs. McInerney welcomed Mr. Cunningham as Facilities Director and thanked Mr. Aparicio for stepping in as Interim. She said they will be very busy with the many ongoing Facilities projects. She thanked all who are preparing for schools reopening: Facilities, administrators and support staff. She also thanked the PTO volunteers for their support of the district and for their adaptability.</li> <li>● Mrs. McInerney said she is grateful to all who speak to the Board, whether in public comment or via email. She said there has been some uncivil, threatening discourse which is unproductive. District personnel are doing their best to get students back in schools safely, and should be treated with respect. She wished everyone a great school year.</li> </ul>	<p><b>Board Chairman’s Report</b></p>
<p><b>7.</b>  <b>A.</b></p>	<p><b>Discussion and Possible Action</b></p> <p><b>Policy for Approval</b></p> <p><b>1. 1324 Fundraising by Students</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Mrs. McInerney said this has been discussed at several meetings. Legal has added additional language (in purple) at Board request.</li> </ul>	<p><b>Discussion and Possible Action</b></p> <p><b>A. Policy for Approval</b></p> <p><b>1. 1324 Fundraising by Students</b></p>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Mrs. Rella said she appreciated the addition which clarifies that monies raised stay with the organization for use.</li> </ul> <p><b>Mrs. Rella moved to approve policy 1324 Fundraising by Students, seconded by Mrs. Monaghan.</b></p> <p><b>The motion passed unanimously.</b></p> <p><b>B. Policies Recommended for Revision and Approval at Initial Board Presentation in accordance with Board Bylaw 9311</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. 1331 Smoking</li> <li>2. 4111.1/4211.1 Equal Employment Opportunity</li> <li>3. 5111 Admission/Placement/Age of Entrance</li> <li>4. 5113 Truancy</li> <li>5. 5114 Removal/Suspension/Expulsion</li> <li>6. 5124 Reporting to Parents/Guardians - Report Cards</li> <li>7. 5131.911 Safe School Climate Plan/Bullying</li> <li>8. 5141.3 Health Assessments and Immunizations</li> </ol> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• In explanation for the public, Mrs. McInerney said Board policies typically have three reviews but sometimes they are proposed for immediate action, usually due to state mandates.</li> </ul> <p><b>Mr. Helmus moved to approve policies:</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. 1331 Smoking</li> <li>2. 4111.1/4211.1 Equal Employment Opportunity</li> <li>3. 5111 Admission/Placement/Age of Entrance</li> <li>4. 5113 Truancy</li> <li>5. 5114 Removal/Suspension/Expulsion</li> <li>6. 5124 Reporting to Parents/Guardians - Report Cards</li> <li>7. 5131.911 Safe School Climate Plan/Bullying</li> <li>8. 5141.3 Health Assessments and Immunizations</li> </ol>	<p><b>Motion made and passed unanimously to approve policy 1324 Fundraising by Students.</b></p> <p><b>B. Policies for Second Review</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. 1331 Smoking</li> <li>2. 4111.1/4211.1 Equal Employment Opportunity</li> <li>3. 5111 Admission / Placement / Age of Entrance</li> <li>4. 5113 Truancy</li> <li>5. 5114 Removal / Suspension / Expulsion</li> <li>6. 5124 Reporting to Parents/Guardians - Report Cards</li> <li>7. 5131.911 Safe School Climate Plan/Bullying</li> <li>8. 5141.3 Health Assessments and Immunizations</li> </ol> <p><b>Motion made and passed unanimously to approve policies:</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. 1331 Smoking</li> <li>2. 4111.1/4211.1 Equal Employment Opportunity</li> <li>3. 5111 Admission / Placement / Age of Entrance</li> <li>4. 5113 Truancy</li> <li>5. 5114 Removal / Suspension / Expulsion</li> </ol>
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	<p><b>Seconded by Mrs. Rella.</b></p> <p><b>The motion passed unanimously.</b></p> <p><b>C. Bid Awards</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>1. Food and Nutrition Services - Milk</b></li> <li><b>2. Food and Nutrition Services - Frozen Dessert</b></li> </ol> <p><b>Mrs. Rella moved to award the bid for Food and Nutrition Services - Milk to Wade’s Dairy for the 2021-22 school year, seconded by Mr. McCauley.</b></p> <p><b>The motion passed unanimously.</b></p> <p><b>Mrs. Rella moved to award the bid for Food and Nutrition Services - Frozen Dessert to New England Ice Cream Corporation for the 2021-22 school year, seconded by Mr. McCauley.</b></p> <p><b>The motion passed unanimously.</b></p> <p><b>D. Teacher and Administrator Evaluation Waiver</b></p> <p><b>Mrs. Rella moved to approve the Teacher and Administrator Evaluation Waiver, seconded by Mrs. Monaghan.</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Ms. Hollander said we have the opportunity to utilize flexibility in the evaluation process similar to last year. The Professional Development Committee approved the plan in June. A summative rating has been added this year. The focus is on student progress.</li> </ul> <p><b>The motion passed unanimously.</b></p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>6. 5124 Reporting to Parents/Guardians - Report Cards</b></li> <li><b>7. 5131.911 Safe School Climate Plan/Bullying</b></li> <li><b>8. 5141.3 Health Assessments and Immunizations</b></li> </ol> <p><b>C. Bid Awards</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>1. Food and Nutrition Services - Milk</b></li> <li><b>2. Food and Nutrition Services - Frozen Dessert</b></li> </ol> <p><b>Motion made and passed unanimously to award the bid for Food and Nutrition Services - Milk to Wade’s Dairy for the 2021-22 school year.</b></p> <p><b>Motion made and passed unanimously to award the bid for Food and Nutrition Services - Frozen Dessert to New England Ice Cream Corporation for the 2021-22 school year.</b></p> <p><b>D. Teacher and Administrator Evaluation Waiver</b></p> <p><b>Motion made and passed unanimously to approve the Teacher and Administrator Evaluation Waiver.</b></p>
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<p>8.</p>	<p><b>Items for Information and Discussion</b></p> <p>A. <b>Exhibit A: Personnel - Certified, Non-Certified Appointments, Resignations and Leaves of Absence as of August 17, 2021</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● Mrs. Gabianelli gave an update on vacancies by school. She said this is very fluid and changes daily. HPS has 2.5 vacancies: Literacy/Math Interventionist, EXCEL SPED 0.5, and Social Worker (HPS/NES); NES has 3.5 vacancies: Grade 2 teacher, EXCEL SPED 0.5, Social Worker (HPS/NES), SPED para 0.5; SNIS has 4.0 vacancies: Gifted and Talented teacher (SNIS/SMS), School Counselor 0.5, SPED paras 2.5; SMS has 3.5 vacancies: Computer Ed teacher, English teacher, School Counselor 0.5, Custodian; NMHS has 9 vacancies including SPED teacher, Math DC and Tech Integration Specialists and Custodians. District-wide, we have vacancies for the Director of Technology, Literacy and Math Coordinators and a BCBA.</li><li>● Ms. DiCorpo said some of these openings are due to very recent resignations.</li><li>● Mrs. Gabianelli said there have been recent applicants for the Technology Director position and she will be looking to form an interview committee.</li></ul> <p>B. <b>Monthly Reports</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. <b>Budget Position dated July 31, 2021</b></li><li>2. <b>Purchase Resolution: D-749</b></li><li>3. <b>Request for Budget Transfers</b></li></ol> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● Mr. Giovannone said this month's report shows the annual encumbrances starting. The listing is alphabetical for ease of viewing. We are beginning to encumber payroll as part of the budget report, but it is not verified as of the report date and does not account for vacancies. This is the first report and will be firmed up more next month. The purchase resolution is also alphabetical this month. Purchase</li></ul>	<p><b>Items for Information and Discussion</b></p> <p>A. <b>Exhibit A: Personnel - Certified, Non-Certified Appointments, Resignations and Leaves of Absence as of August 17, 2021</b></p> <p>B. <b>Monthly Reports</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. <b>Budget Position dated July 31, 2021</b></li><li>2. <b>Purchase Resolution: D-749</b></li><li>3. <b>Request for Budget Transfers</b></li></ol>
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	<p>resolutions listed as “yearly” are to set up the purchase order so that it can be drawn on throughout the course of the year.</p> <p><b>C. Regulation for Revision</b></p> <p><b>1. 4111.1/4211.1 Procedures for Employee Complaints of Discrimination</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Mrs. McInerney said the Board does not approve regulations, so this is on the agenda as an item of information and for discussion.</li></ul> <p><b>D. Safe Return to In-Person Instruction and Continuity of Service Plan (Updated August 2021)</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Ms. DiCorpo said the plan will be distributed to all stakeholders tomorrow along with her back to school letter. The format has been changed to make it easier to read.</li><li>• Highlights include: return to 100% in person learning; change in contact tracing for students only; mandatory masking in schools and on busses; no masking outdoors; no remote learning allowed; full athletic schedule anticipated; limiting of non-essential visitors to buildings and continued social distancing. Music guidance has not changed. Details and links will be in the letter and the plan itself.</li><li>• Mrs. McInerney asked if concerts would be allowed. Ms. DiCorpo said that is not known yet.</li><li>• Ms. DiCorpo said she will be monitoring the heat index over the next month or so and may release students early as needed.</li><li>• Mrs. McInerney said she was glad to hear that the plan will be released tomorrow, so parents will have it prior to Thursday night’s forum.</li><li>• Mrs. Rella asked if mask breaks are still planned. She had heard from some high school and middle school teachers that they are unproductive. Ms. DiCorpo said she will ask principals to monitor and review.</li></ul>	<p><b>C. Regulation for Revision</b></p> <p><b>1. 4111.1/4211.1 Procedures for Employee Complaints of Discrimination</b></p> <p><b>D. Safe Return to In-Person Instruction and Continuity of Service Plan (Updated August 2021)</b></p>
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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● Mr. Failla said the overview speaks highly of the detail and work done to provide the best possible, safest environment for students and staff. Their safety and well being is key. The district's focus on social emotional learning and academics is ingrained in everything we do.</li></ul> <p><b>E. Facilities Projects Update</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● Mr. Aparicio summarized the memo provided. He said Hinding is currently working on the tennis courts.</li><li>● The Maxx renovation is in progress but it will not be fully ready for reopen, so the LHTC students will be starting the year at SNIS.</li><li>● Ms. DiCorpo said she has additional concerns about safety at the Maxx, as she recently became aware that events take place during the day there. She is looking into additional separation of space and bathrooms, not in the original proposal, as well as a safety and security plan for that building.</li><li>● Mrs. McInerney asked if the outside doors are locked during the day. Ms. DiCorpo said they use a Town fob system now and that needs to be discussed further.</li><li>● Mrs. Rella said she appreciates that the district is taking the time to make sure the space is safe for students.</li><li>● Mr. Aparicio said the Zoning department had questions about the high school sign before a permit is granted. They requested, and he sent, a letter giving specifics of use. This is the first time a sign like this will be used in New Milford.</li><li>● Mr. Failla asked Mr. Aparicio to keep the Board apprised of any issues going forward.</li><li>● The NV5 project schedule was sent to the Board. The project will begin with light fixture replacements, done during second shift since students will be back in session.</li><li>● Ms. DiCorpo said they received an email today from the Town stating that the Board was</li></ul>	<p><b>E. Facilities Projects Update</b></p>
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	<p>responsible for 75% of the total cost: \$612,376.48. At the previous presentation on June 2, the Board was told the Town would be reviewing financing options. The Mayor is looking to sign official documents to start the project. Ms. DiCorpo has requested a meeting to include the Board Chair to review and make sure we are all on the same page. They also received news of the award of additional RECs for solar and have questions regarding those, most specifically any impact to the high school roof.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● Mr. McCauley said there have been so many meetings about this project; he is frustrated that the financing piece is still not clear.</li><li>● Ms. DiCorpo said there will be an overwhelming benefit to our schools from NV5 but most of the upfront costs will fall to the Board side. This is the first time we are seeing the exact amount and a due date.</li><li>● Mr. Failla said this project is fluid; he wants to know if the Town will help if the energy line is short. He said there were never any conversations about approving solar panels for the high school. He is vehemently opposed to panels on the front of the high school roof. It will ruin the aesthetics.</li><li>● Mrs. Monaghan said she has been a vocal proponent of solar, but she agrees with Mr. Failla in opposing any panels to the front of the high school.</li><li>● Ms. DiCorpo said no decisions have been made. They have the RECs so it is an option. It was not in the original plan. There will be opportunities starting in September to discuss it further. Any action is at least two years out, so there is time.</li><li>● Mr. Helmus echoed Mr. McCauley's frustration. If the project is supposed to pay for itself, why do we need to give money?</li><li>● Mrs. Rella said she was surprised to see the dollar amount and responsibility. She is also concerned about stress on the roof from added panels.</li></ul>	
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- Ms. DiCorpo said we may just need a better understanding of the process. They would like an opportunity to go back and look at previous financing discussions, what this initial cost really means, and how we will recognize it in savings returned.
- Mr. Aparicio said the high school roof project has started. Due to a shortage in fasteners and clips, the contractor is starting on the flat roofs first.
- Mr. McCauley said he was happy to see the project started. He asked for confirmation that work will take place during the school day. Mr. Aparicio said it will, but they will try to do the noisier work outside of school hours.
- Ms. DiCorpo said they will follow the timeline closely and work with Principal Manka on any adjustments needed. This needs to bridge with NV5 work too. They are working on identifying on site workers and making sure they are properly cleared.

**F. Technology Update**

- Ms. Terry said the PowerSchool student information system implementation is ongoing. Schedules are in their final stages, third party integrations are ongoing, training will take place daily over the next few weeks. A Parent Portal session for parents will be scheduled.
- Mrs. McInerney asked if the Portal will be open for students and parents at the beginning of school.
- Ms. DiCorpo said it may not be open right away but that there shouldn't be much need for the first week or two of school while students and staff are settling in.
- Mrs. McInerney said she hopes that the delay will not go too far into the first marking period.
- Ms. Terry said the district is collaborating with the Town on a copier RFP and a draft is in progress.

**F. Technology Update**

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Ms. DiCorpo said the RFP will take into account the possible move of the central offices to SNIS.</li> <li>● Ms. Terry said the CEN Free Public Wifi is in the final installation process phase. A public forum will be scheduled when ready.</li> </ul> <p><b>G. COVID-19 Event Management Template</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Ms. DiCorpo said she is suggesting that this template, which spells out additional responsibilities of the event host regarding COVID protocols, be added to regulation 1330 for building use. It is currently used by the Town. Though the Board does not approve regulations, Ms. DiCorpo is presenting the template tonight for discussion.</li> <li>● Mrs. McInerney asked when it would begin to be used. Ms. DiCorpo said within the next few days if the Board agrees.</li> <li>● Mr. Helmus noted that sections are already out of date and he asked who will be responsible for updating the form. Ms. DiCorpo said the district will work with Lisa Morrissey on any changes. Lisa will also let the event host know of any changes when approving.</li> </ul> <p><b>H. Fingerprinting Volunteers</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Mr. Giovannone reminded the Board that fundraising was removed from the 2020-21 budget and not added back for 2021-22. At the June 20, 2021 meeting, the Board discussed its intent to pick up that cost again. Reinstatement of \$21,600 will be required to fully fund the line. It will require a transfer down the road. He is suggesting that Human Resources move ahead with scheduling fingerprinting and costs be absorbed to their budget line for now. The individual cost is \$86.25, which would allow up to 250 volunteers to be fingerprinted.</li> <li>● Mrs. Rella asked why we are fingerprinting volunteers when we are restricting visitors to our schools.</li> </ul>	<p><b>G. COVID-19 Event Management Template</b></p> <p><b>H. Fingerprinting Volunteers</b></p>
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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Mrs. McInerney said there may still be instances when volunteers are allowed, such as PTO officers, Band Show volunteers etc.</li> <li>● Mr. Failla said we cannot ask people to volunteer and then ask them to pay for fingerprinting.</li> <li>● Ms. DiCorpo said it is clear the Board agrees; this is just a budgeting issue.</li> <li>● Mrs. McInerney suggested the schools be contacted regarding upcoming events and volunteer names so that we will have an idea month to month what is needed.</li> <li>● Mr. Giovannone said he and Mrs. Gabianelli will keep the Board updated monthly as well.</li> </ul>	
<p><b>9.</b></p>	<p><b>Adjourn</b></p> <p><b>Mr. Helmus moved to adjourn the meeting at 9:18 p.m., seconded by Mrs. Rella.</b></p> <p><b>The motion passed unanimously.</b></p>	<p><b>Adjourn</b></p> <p><b>Motion made and passed unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 9:18 p.m.</b></p>

Respectfully submitted:



Tammy McInerney  
 Assistant Secretary  
 New Milford Board of Education