**Special Meeting**

**Pines School**

**July 18, 2020**

The School Board President, Cindy Riker, via conference call, called the meeting to order a 6:04 p.m. Other board members present were Chris Hasbrouck and Suzette Cooley-Sanborn. Jim Gilligan and Dan Reynolds were absent. Our administrator, Dean Paul, may join late.

Purpose of the meeting is to review the teacher’s contract and issues.

The new teacher has chosen to get paid over 26 weeks.

Discussion about sick days. Should add a sentence under the sick days that additional days may be issued due to extenuating circumstances.

Updated the teacher evaluation section and referenced The Thoughtful Classroom.

The miscellaneous section was added for the moving allowance.

Since this is a new contract and she would not start getting paid until September, contract runs from Sept 1st thru Aug 31st, Angie McArthur and Dean Paul made a suggestion to pay her a per diem for classroom preparedness in August. She plans to be here in order to set up her classroom. This would be a one-time payment. A motion was made by Suzette Cooley-Sanborn to pay her a per-diem, payable in August, if possible. Motion seconded by Chris Hasbrouck. Roll call vote: Ayes: Gilligan, Hasbrouck and Cooley-Sanborn. Nays: Riker. Absent: Reynolds. Motion carried. (Jim Gilligan joined the meeting within that last few minutes, approx. 18 minutes into the meeting.)

Insurance issue: We are looking into SETSEG coverage for Sherry. Current issue is that the way this was presented to Sherry, she thought she would get the 2 person coverage for the year. She didn’t realize the insurance allowance would go down in January, due to her son become illegible for insurance. Now she is concerned that she may not be able to find insurance for the amount offered in the contract. Cindy has checked on the internet and has found some for $620 a month, plus dental and vision. It had a $3,000 deductible. That is approx. $1,000 more than what we originally offered. We need to come to a compromise. (Dean joined at approx. 40 minutes into the meeting.)

Discussion on various ways we could amend the offer. Chris Hasbrouck made a motion to pay $14,260 for 2 person coverage through December 31st and effective January 1st $7,860 for single coverage. Suzette Cooley-Sanborn seconded the motion. Roll call vote: Ayes: Gilligan, Hasbrouck, Cooley-Sanborn and Riker. Nays: None. Absent: Reynolds. Motion carried. Cindy Riker made a motion to add a clause stating the District is investigating insurance coverage from an underwriter to get insurance equal to or better than that being offered for single annual allowance. If found, insurance would revert to that underwriter with all parties’ concurrence. Suzette Cooley-Sanborn seconded the motion. Roll call vote: Ayes: Gilligan, Hasbrouck, Cooley-Sanborn and Riker. Nays: None. Absent: Reynolds. Motion carried.

Public Comment: Kathy Brown asked what would happen if we didn’t have any students, what if she hates the island and were rumors true. The Board responded.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 7:09 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Cindy Riker, Acting Secretary, Bois Blanc Pines School Board