

HOLLAND SCHOOL BOARD MEETING  
Holland Elementary School  
**July 7, 2015 at 6:00 PM**  
Holland School  
Minutes

**Board Members:**

Lincoln Petell, Chair  
Louise Campbell, Vice Chair  
Kim Champney, Clerk

**Administrative Staff:**

Kelli Dean - Principal  
John Castle – Superintendent

I **Call the Meeting to Order**

L. Petell called the meeting to order @ 6:15pm.

II **Approve the minutes of May 2015**

L. Campbell made a motion to approve the minutes of June 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2015.  
L. Petell seconded. Motion carried.

III **Public Comments, Communication with Parents/Staff/Citizens :**

Kim Champney brought to the Board's attention that there has been some confusion recently, as to what tables are to be lent out to the community. Questions were also raised about how community members are being let into the school to retrieve tables and chairs without signing them out. The board has some concerns about this as well as the *possible* missing tables. The board decided that they would like to add this item to next month's agenda for further discussion and extend an invitation to members of the Parents Club to continue the conversation from last school year about the table shortage and usage.

IV **Financial Report**

The board looked over the financial report with Kelli Dean.

**Holland Elementary School  
Board Warrant  
FY16  
Board Meeting: July 7, 2015**

<u>Check#</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Check Date</u>	<u>FY15 Amount</u>	<u>FY16 Amount</u>
3949-3970	Payroll	6/11/2015	\$19,295.35	
3971-3995	Payroll	6/25/15	\$18,771.95	
3996	Accounts Payable	6/24/15	\$230.82	
3997-4005	Payroll	7/9/15	\$9,651.36	
4033-4052	Accounts Payable	6/30/15	\$38,713.25	
4053-4054	Accounts Payable	6/30/15	\$916.93	
4055-4060	Accounts Payable (construction fund)	7/7/15	\$1849.51	
4061-4065	Payroll	7/9/15		\$3661.31
4066-4079	Accounts Payable	7/7/15	\$12,740.35	
<b>Total Orders</b>			<b>\$102,169.52</b>	<b>\$3,661.31</b>

**Students Activities Fund**

<b>Beginning Balance</b>	6/2/2015	<b>\$18,869.60</b>
<b>Deposits to Date</b>	6/2/15-7/7/15	\$284.75
<b>Checks to Date</b>	6/2/15-7/7/15	(\$913.85)
<b>Activities Balance</b>		<b>\$18,240.50</b>

**Action:**

- L. Campbell made a motion to approve the warrants. K. Champney seconded. Motion carried.
- L. Campbell made a motion to approve the financial report for June 2015. K. Champney seconded. Motion carried.

**V. Principal's Report**

Kelli went over the Principal's Report.

- A fun-filled last day of school and the rain held out which was GREAT!
- The 6<sup>th</sup> Grade graduation was nicely done (sound system issues aside) and another wonderful group of students moving onto the junior high and will be missed.
- End-of-year trips for some students included a trip to the Northwoods Stewardship Center, and the annual cruise on Memphremagog followed up with a picnic.
- Students celebrated their learning by presenting the community with knowledge about recycling. Community members that attended were able to ask questions to the panel about the new recycling law coming into effect in July.

Families were also able to take a recycling bucket and reusable grocery bag donated by the school. There was a great turnout!

- Teachers spent several days at the end of the year planning the curriculum for the 2015-'16 school year. With the help of Nancy Woods, VRI coach, they were able to plan the fall units using an interdisciplinary approach. Teachers and staff felt very good about what they achieved for the upcoming school year.
- Emergency lights were replaced in June with grant money obtained by Theresa Wilkins from central office. They are also looking into possible grant money for other electrical items that may need updating as well.
- Kelli would like the board to consider an increase to Roxanne Moulton's contract from 70% to 80% for the upcoming school year. With the new budget and changes in teaching staff/roles, Kelli would need her to be there slightly longer than she is currently contracted for. There is a pay difference of about \$5,000.

## VI Superintendent's Report

John Castle verified that Kelli Dean has been hired by central office as their Instructional Innovation Coordinator for one day a week. Her principal position at the Holland School was cut from 100% down to 80%. The Board was glad to hear that John was able to find the funding and take advantage of what Kelli is capable of providing.

## VII New/Unfinished Business

Information:

### A. Community Eligibility

It has been decided that Holland can not participate in the CEP without a partner. Glenn was attending the Newport City meeting (which was why he was not at the Holland meeting) to see if they would be willing to partner up with Holland School. This would allow ALL Holland students the opportunity to eat breakfast and lunch providing students nutrients needed for learning. Should Holland agree to participate and Newport City vote to partner with Holland, the food costs should average about the same as it has for the past four years or so.

### B. SLP Blended Rate Cost Consideration

The board was provided with a handout showing the cost for each district school for Speech-Language Specialists. Each year the district hires or contracts professionals for each school. Each specialist has different experiences and skills, and at times it can be challenging to find them. John mentioned that next year schools will be forced to centralize Special Educators and he wants boards to start considering other professionals that could be centralized funded and how we want to break up those funds. Do "we" want to use a percentage, or go by number of students, or just a straight rate split by schools equally? These are all questions that boards face in the upcoming year and John is trying to get a jump on them. The Holland board decided that

we would not like to participate in the blended rate at this time but will put it on the agenda for further discussion.

**Action:**

- K. Champney made a motion to adjust Roxanne Moulton's FY16 contract from 70% to 80%, to reflect actual work time. L. Campbell seconded. Motion carried.
- K. Champney approved the hiring of Josh Brennan as the .2 music teacher. L. Campbell seconded. Motion carried.
- K. Champney made a motion to approve the hiring of Christine Almodovar for the full time, upper grade teacher. L. Campbell seconded. Motion carried.

VIII **Other Business**

A. Rescind the following policies:

- B.3
- C.4
- C.7
- C.8

L. Campbell made a motion to rescind above policies, B.3; C.4; C.7; C.8.  
K. Champney seconded. Motion carried.

B. Adopt the following *revised* policies:

- B.4
- C.9

K. Champney made a motion to adopt the above revised policies, B.4; C.9.  
L. Campbell seconded. Motion carried.

C. Adopt the following policies:

- B.1
- B.2

K. Champney made a motion to adopt the above policies, B.1; B.2.  
L. Petell seconded. Motion carried.

D. Adopt the VT AOE required:

- D.1
- D.2
- D.3

K. Champney made a motion to adopt the above VT AOE policies, D.1; D.2; D.3.  
L. Petell seconded. Motion carried.

E. Rescind the following policies:

- F.23
- F.39
- F.49

K. Champney made a motion to rescind the above policies, F.23; F.39; F.49.  
L. Campbell seconded. Motion carried.

VI. **Agenda Items/Date for Next Board Meeting**

- Discussion about tables and chairs with Parents Club members
- Discussion about sound system
- SLP Blended Rate Cost Consideration
- Next Meeting August 4<sup>th</sup>, 2015 @ 6pm

X. **Executive Session:** Not needed

XI **Adjourn**

Meeting adjourned at 8:25pm