ISLE AU HAUT SCHOOL COMMITTEE April 14, 2016 Meeting Minutes

School Committee Members Present: Sue MacDonald, Karen Teague, Kendra Chubbuck

School Committee Members Absent: Roz Santaspago, Alison Richardson

Statt Present: Paula Greater, Robert Webster

Guests Present: Megan Cooper, Jessie Odgren, Rudy , Lisa Turner, Sharon Carroll,

students Alex and Connor, Yvonne via Skype, Landon DeWitt.

1. Call to Order and Declaration of a Quorum

Sue opened the meeting and declared a quorum at 8:31 PM.

2. Election of Officers

Discussion on the recent elections of school board members.

- 1. Chair Alison nominated Sue MacDonald as chair. Vote: 2 for Susan; 1 abstained (Sue) Sue MacDonald was elected.
- 2. Co-Chair Sue nominated Kendra for co-chair. Vote: 2 for Kendra: 1 abstained (Kendra) Kendra was elected.
- 3. Secretary Sue nominated Karen for secretary Vote: 2 for Karen: 1 abstained (Karen) Karen was elected.

3. Approval of Minutes

Minutes were not available. Bob will email the minutes to the school.

4. Teacher's Report

Paula reviewed the current academic work with students. See written report. Connor and Alex did a presentation on E-waste Day. Motion: Sue; Second: Kendra to approve E-waste Day and use of REAP funds for E-waste Day expenses. Vote: Yes 3; No 0.

Motion: Sue; Second: Karen to approve funding for the TLC trip up to \$1,000. Vote: Yes 4; No 0.

Jessie Odgren gave an update on TLC activities. Yvonne Thomas reviewed the finances and sustainability of the TLC Program. IAH 's financial support for TLC this year included \$3,000 from REAP and around \$1,000 from the annual pie auction fundraiser. Paula explained how the TLC breaks down the isolation for teachers and students on the outer islands. The issue of homeschool students participating in the TLC field trips was raised with the hope that future trips will be inclusive.

5. Superintendent's Report

Bob apologized for missing the March 25, 2016 town meeting for the 2015 school budget. He was heading home Thursday night and forgot about it. I will be at the

town meeting for 2016 on April 25, 2016. Bob reviewed the monthly financial statement. None of the accounts appear to be a problem at this time. There should be a substantial balance carried forward at the end of the current school year.

6. <u>2016-2017 School Budget</u>

Bob presented the second draft of the school budget. The room and board was increased to fund two boarding students. Special education counseling was substantially reduced from the first budget draft. Motion: Kendra; Second: Susan to adopt the second draft of the 2016-2017 as amended \$283,548. Vote: Yes 3; No 0.

7. Teacher Search

The office has received one inquiry about the teacher position. Additional advertising may be needed.

8. Maintenance Update

All the light switches now work properly. Sue didn't know if the sump pump issue was resolved. Outside and inside painting are still needed.

9. Policies

Policy discussion tabled until the next meeting.

10. Accept 2014-2015 Audit

Motion: Susan; Second: Karen to accept the 2014-2015 audit report. Vote: Yes 3; No 0.

11. Citizen Comments

Rudy expressed appreciation for that the school committee membership is now at full strength.

12. New Business

The next meeting will be on May 13 at 8:00 am. Agenda topics will include maintenance, policies, school calendar and teacher nomination.

13. Adjourn

Motion: Sue; Second: Karen to adjourn at 10:40 a.m. Vote: Yes 3; No 0.

Respectfully Submitted,

Robert Webster Interim Superintendent of Schools