

MINUTES OF WINDSOR EDUCATIONAL FOUNDATION AND REED FUND OCTOBER 21, 2024 WINDSOR TOWN OFFICE

Note: These minutes may not be considered an official public record until such time as they are read and accepted by the Windsor Educational Foundation and Reed Fund Members.

Members present: Bonnie Squiers, Heather Wilson, Ronald F. Brann and Theresa L. Haskell. Andrew Ballantyne was absent.

Public Present: Tom Reed, Sam Tippet, Anthony Sementelli and Allison Whynot.

Theresa Haskell called the Windsor Educational Foundation and Reed Fund Annual Meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

<u>Bonnie Squier made a motion to approve the minutes dated July 8, 2024, with spelling corrections, seconded by Heather Wilson, and approved 4-0-0.</u>

Theresa said she has filed the 990-N which was due before November 1, 2024.

The Board reviewed the updated Investment Policies as presented. <u>Bonnie Squiers approved the</u> <u>Windsor Educational Foundation and Reed Fund, Statement of Investment Policies as presented,</u> <u>seconded by Ronald F. Brann and approved 4-0-0.</u>

Theresa handed out the quarterly balances and they are as follows:

Money Market Account	\$ 1,756.46
9 Month CDARS Account	\$ 47,418.00
Interest from Stocks G1-201-00	\$ 6,156.91
Stocks	<u>\$ 230,674.52</u>
Balances as of 9/30/2024	\$ 286,005.89

Heather asked if the remainder of any funds not used this year could be set aside and used for the playground? The cost of the playground is around \$50,000.00. The \$360.00 that was approved last time for the MathFactLab wasn't used as it was paid for by the district. There as said we can look at this in April and see what has been spent and decide at that time.

Heather said she has a request from Elizabeth Choate (7th and 8th Grade ELA) looking for \$323.54 for a new curriculum for Language Arts. They are looking for the recommended texts that go along with the teacher's guides and the class novels which will supplement the students' learning. She found texts up to

\$1,000.00 but is requesting books that either have had awards, covered the topic more fully, or had high student interests for a total of \$323.54.

Heather also presented a request from Alyssa in Title I who has about 30 kids. The books that she is requesting are all decodable readers, which is what they use frequently with beginner readers. These books focus on a particular phonetic topic, which allows students to practice with that topic as they read. They currently have some decodable readers in the room but would love to have more so they can target the needs of more of the learners. The request is for 52 phonic books totaling \$245.00.

<u>Ronald F. Brann made a motion to approve the request from Beth Choate (7th & 8th Grade ELA)</u> in the amount of \$323.54 and also the request from Alyssa in Title I in the amount of \$245.00, seconded by Bonnie Squiers and approved 4-0-0.

Heather reported that school is going great. She gave an update on the gazebo. They put out a request to help with the roof on the gazebo and removing the old swing in the school's newsletter. They didn't hear anything back, so they put it out to bid. Doughty Construction gave a bid. Bonnie Squiers said she spoke to Bob Brann, and he said he is offering his nail gun, and she stopped in to see Jessica at Doughty Construction. There was discussion on how much the estimate was to do the swing set and maybe the pre-release program could help and was wondering if they could work at a school. There was discussion to see if they sent the request to Kennebec Roofing or Fowlers. It was asked to have Heather keep us posted on this.

Heather said the Boys and Girls Soccer Team won 1st place for the season. Heather also stated that the Middle School program is 5th in the state. The primary scores went from 120th to 60th in the last couple of years. Heather also mentioned that a teacher from Windsor was nominated as the Teacher of the Year for the State of Maine, and she ranked 8th.

Theresa said the next scheduled meeting will be our annual meeting on January 13, 2025.

Bonnie Squiers made a motion to adjourn at 6:59 p.m., seconded by Ronald F. Brann and approved 4-0-0.

The next meetings will be.

January 13, 2025 (Annual Meeting) April 14, 2025 July 14, 2025 October 13, 2025 (Holiday – May be changed to October 20, 2025)

**Dates are subject to change.

Submitted by Theresa L. Haskell Secretary