

Isle au Haut School Board Meeting Minutes

February 26, 2025 Budget Meeting

Members Present: Rita, Kathie, Sharen, Mike, Cynthia

Staff Present: Mark, Kipp, Rhonda, Jessica, Wendy

The meeting opened at 3:31

Teacher's Report

- Schedule for specials irregular due to boat cancellations
- Individual piano lessons have started. Students are also playing bells with harmony.
- Art – working on developing varied projects with tie in to the curriculum.
- Dance going well
- Would like swim lessons this spring and this summer. Kipp and Cynthia will follow up.
- TLC collaborations – Kids key in to the zoom activities. Spring field trip is to Freeport.
- Behaviour – trying new routines
- Visited the store and will visit Town Hall.
- Cynthia filled in for Lisa and was a great success!
- Lloyd, Mike and Landon fixed the smoke detectors

Budget 2025-26

- Down 1.07% mainly with transportation removed
- Additions: school lunch program \$6300; SPED services \$4000

Rhonda went through the budget line by line

Discussion

- Motion, "Move \$20,000 to balance forward to budget." Kathie/Sharen 5-0-0

- Wendy – additional costs are evaluations and services. The school could start a SPED reserve from carryover money
- Windows – To replace would cost \$15-20,000 per window without labor Lloyd feels the window would last 10 more years with reglazing and painting. The cost up to \$10,000. Lloyd would contract out to Waylan Small.
- Motion “To use the maintenance money and transportation money to do with windows and PFAS remediation. The work needs to be completed by June 30, 2025” Rita/Kathie 5-0-0
 - Mike will work with Lloyd and Waylan on proceeding hopefully scheduling on the April break 21-25 or after school in out June 8.
- PFAS – engineering cost 10,000 and design 9500

Board Membership

- Rita resigned as of April 5, 2025.
- Mike and Kathie’s positions are up and both would like to continue.
- One open position.
- Would Cynthia consider becoming chair?

Lunch Report – all is going well. Money collected by Mabel and Bernie for year rounders assistance will go to the lunch program.

Mark will draft a custodian job description for the next regular meeting.

Next budget meeting: Monday, March 10 at 2:45 for the purpose of approving the budget and warrants for Town Meeting.

Next regular meeting: Monday, March 17 at 3:30 pm.

The meeting adjourned at 5:10 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Rita G. MacWilliam, Chair