RIVENDELL INTERSTATE SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD MEETING
District Office Conference Room – Orford, NH
December 5, 2017

This meeting will be convened in a public session.
Other topics arising after the posting of this notice may be discussed and acted upon.

AGENDA

I. Call to Order 6:30

II. Moment of Silence 6:31

III. Agenda Revision/Time Allocation 6:32

IV. General Public Comments (Listen & Defer Action to Future Mtg.) 6:33

V. Presentation – Teacher Professional Development Website (RA Principal) 6:41

VI. Consent Agenda (Accept) 7:00
   A. Minutes
      1) Board – November 7, 2017
      2) Governor’s STEM Scholarship Program Approval

VII. Informational Reports - None

VIII. Ongoing Business (Deliberation & Possible Action) 7:05
   A. Conservation Easement Land Management Nomination

IX. New Business (Receive Information & Possible Action) 7:10
   A. Personnel Updates (Hirings/Resignations)
   B. Budget Presentation
   C. Determine Budget Special Meeting Date
   D. Correspondence
      1) Chelsea School Board
      2) Tax Commissioner Letter
   E. Second Read and Adoption – Financial Policies

X. Future Agenda Items (Discussion) 8:00
   20th Anniversary, Crisis Response, Community Outreach, Department Reports; Vision for Food Service; Cooperation w/Thetford Academy; Electronic Devices; Elected Local Auditors’ Role; Guns in Schools Policy; ALICE – Active Shooter Response Training; AHEAD Update and MOU (Jan)

XI. Executive Session (Discussion), 1 VSA § 313 8:05
   1) Negotiations

XII. Adjournment (Action) 8:30

Upcoming Meetings/Events:
12/06/17 – Rivendell Review Committee, DO 6:30 PM
01/02/18 – School Board Meeting, Westshire Elementary School, 6:30 PM

NOTE: Agenda items may be taken out of order, if so voted by the School District Board.
Minutes of this meeting will be available for public inspection within five (5) days of this meeting.
Rivendell Interstate School District Board Strategic Plan
2015-2020

Preamble:
In 1998, four small communities came together to form the Rivendell Interstate School District. Early innovators engaged a diverse community to create a new district dedicated to recognizing and addressing the needs of all our children. They had the courage to innovate and the willingness to do the hard work. Rivendell had now come of age, and its graduates, students, educators and community members can take pride in the District’s accomplishments. Rivendell’s story is a compelling one that continues to evolve. Over the next five years, Rivendell’s mission will be to build on its successes and continue to engage the broader community. The Rivendell Board will focus on its ultimate goal: of offering the highest quality education for each student so all Rivendell graduates may find success throughout their lives in accordance with their interests and regardless of their means.

Mission Statement:
The mission of the Rivendell Interstate School District is to inspire intellectual curiosity and to cultivate in each student a passion for learning, a tenacity of purpose, and a commitment to excellence, personal integrity, and social and civic responsibility.

Goals:
The Rivendell Board has set and will support the following three goals over the next five years.

Goal 1:
To attract to Rivendell students, parents and faculty who value a strong academic focus in a small school setting.

Goal 2:
To cultivate the most supportive school culture possible. Every child should look forward to school as a place that nurtures them socially and inspires them academically. Rivendell should be a safe and respectful environment conducive to rigorous and focused learning where healthy choices are exemplified and positively reinforced.

Goal 3:
To identify and effectively communicate a clear cohesive narrative of who we are as a school community; emphasizing our strengths while continuing to address our areas of need.

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