BRIDGEWATER, HEBRON & GROTON

Pro-Tem School Board Committee

297 Mayhew Turnpike Bridgewater, NH 03222 **DRAFT**

BHG/Pro TEM Board Committee meeting 7/24/24 6pm Bridgewater Town Hall

Pro-Tem members present-Erick Piper and Mark Coulson

BHG members present-Terence Murphy

BHVD members present- Terence Murphy

Mr. Piper called the meeting to order at 6pm

Mr. Murphy let everyone know that we have received our approval from the Department of education and received our certificate of withdrawal from SAU #4. We are known as SAU# 108, Bridgewater, Hebron, Groton Special Purpose School District, a/k/a Pasquaney School District.

We have created Domain names PasquaneySDNH.org, BHVSNH.org and BHVDNH.org in preparation of creating websites for each.

Mr. Coulson introduced Joanne Smith the food Service Director for Hill School District. Joanne took a tour of the kitchen at BHVS to provide insight into anything we may need.

Joanne Smith stated that the BHVS kitchen is amazing and more than efficient for our current needs.

Stacey asked questions regarding current technology and IT services and where we stand on that and how we intend to meet the needs of teachers and staff in those areas. It is important to have tech support available not only for issues with computers/laptops, but also for all the different software products that are utilized.

Discussion ensued regarding Google WorkSpace for Education and other software and technology needs.

A discussion was entered into regarding tuition agreements and how they will work. Basically, some SAU#4 students will continue to attend BHVS and some students from our SAU will attend NMMS and NRHS. Actual tuition may just be a swap.

The issues we need to focus on are that we want to provide a school choice model. We need an agreement that allows high school choice for students/Parents and do we enter into a 4 or 7 year tailings contract.

The current Pro-Tem Boards task is to only make policy decisions for the immediate future. We will make interim contracts for our time period, only making longer term agreements if it is in the best interest of the school district.

Discussions ensued regarding tuition agreements, tailings agreements, providing school choice to all grades and how this would work amongst the various school districts.

The last public question was in regards to what types of grants we will be looking into. We need student counts for most grants that are available, but we are looking into any and all federal, state and DOE grants that we can apply for. We will be able to apply for more in our second year.

Mr. Piper adjourned the meeting at 7:20pm. The next meeting will be 7/31/24 at 6pm at the Bridgewater Town Hall.