

AGREEMENT

BETWEEN THE

KEENE SCHOOL DISTRICT

AND THE

**KEENE CUSTODIANS AFSCME COUNCIL 93 Local 2973 AFL-
CIO**

July 1, 2024 to June 30, 2028

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ARTICLE 1

PURPOSE AND INTENT

- 1.1 The purpose of the Board and the Union in entering into this labor agreement is to set forth their agreement on rates of pay, wages, hours of work, and other conditions of employment, so as to promote orderly and peaceful relations with the Board's employees, to achieve uninterrupted operations, and to achieve the highest level of employee performance consistent with safety, good health, and sustained effort and to maintain the highest level of service to the Board and the educational community of Keene.

ARTICLE 2

UNION RECOGNITION

- 2.1 The Board hereby recognizes the Union as the sole and exclusive representative of its employees (as defined below) for the purpose of collective bargaining with respect to rates of pay, wages, hours of employment and other conditions of employment, in accordance with the certification by the State of New Hampshire Labor Relations Board dated January 14, 1977.
- 2.2 The term "employee", as used in this Agreement, applies to all full-time individuals occupying classifications of work covered by this Agreement, but excluding, temporary employees used as "outside labor" in accordance with Appendix E, confidential employees, administrative employees, professional employees and supervisors, as defined in RSA 273-A-8, and excluding all other employees.
- 2.3 Upon execution of this Agreement, if either party desires to review eligibility lists, such may be done between the Board and the Union within ninety (90) days following the signing of this Agreement.

ARTICLE 3

MANAGEMENT RIGHTS

- 3.1 Except as otherwise specifically provided in this Agreement, or otherwise specifically agreed to in writing between the parties, the Union recognizes that there are functions, powers, authorities and responsibilities exclusively vested in the Board, among which are included, but not limited to, the right to introduce new or improved methods, machinery or personnel; to establish standards of work; to determine the extent to which the Keene School District shall operate and accomplish such work; the right to establish schedules of work; to assign work to employees; to establish safety and other rules governing the operations of the Keene School System and the conduct of their employees; the right to enforce such rules and to direct the working forces, as the Board may deem appropriate and which are not in conflict with the terms of this Agreement.
- 3.2 The Board and employees agree to support mutually agreed to settlements before the voters of the District. However, any agreement reached herein which requires the expenditures of public funds for its implementation shall not be binding upon the Board, unless, and until, the necessary appropriations have been made by the voters. In the event the voters shall not approve the District Budget as proposed by the Board, the agreements of the parties shall be void and the Board and the union shall resume negotiations within a mutually agreed to time frame.
- 3.3 The administration of the collective bargaining agreement shall be in accordance with the implied covenant of good faith and fair dealing.

ARTICLE 4

DUES DEDUCTION

- 4.1 The Board agrees, subject to the following terms and conditions of Article 4, to deduct each month, on the second regular wage payment date of the Board for such month, from the wages payable on such wage payment date, to any employee who authorizes the Board to do so through a signed authorization and assignment card on the form set forth in Appendix A attached hereto, regular Union dues and initiation fees. The Board shall, as promptly as is practical, remit all sums so deducted to such authorized Union official as may be designated by the Union. The required authorization and assignment card must be filed with the Board at least two (2) weeks prior to the first deduction made thereunder. An authorization and assignment card, signed by the employee, shall be deemed automatically suspended upon such employee's quitting the employ of the Board, or being discharged, being transferred to a job classification for which the Union is not hereby recognized as the exclusive bargaining agent, or within sixty (60) days of the expiration of the terms and conditions of this Agreement. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary which may appear in said authorization card, the Board's obligation hereunder does not extend to the deduction of assessments from any employee's wages.
- 4.2 The Union shall indemnify and hold the Board harmless against any and all claims, demands, suits or other forms of liability that may arise out of or by reason of action taken or not taken by the Board in reliance upon written statements by the Union representatives or by reason of any action taken by the Board for the purpose of complying with Article 4.

ARTICLE 5

UNION ACTIVITIES

- 5.1 The Board will not interfere with, restrain or coerce its employees because of membership or activity on behalf of the Union as defined in this Agreement. The Board will not discriminate with respect to hire, tenure of employment or any term or condition of employment against any employee because of membership in, or activity on behalf of the Union, nor will it discourage nor attempt to discourage membership in the Union. The Union agrees not to discriminate against any employee as provided in RSA 273-A.
- 5.2 There shall be no Union activity on Board time except that which is necessary in connection with the processing of grievances and negotiations. The Union agrees that it will not discriminate against employees by reason of their refusal to engage in concerted activities. It is understood that in representing a bargaining unit employee for the purpose of a grievance, one steward and/or an AFSCME staff representative shall be involved in representing the employee in any meeting following the steps of the grievance procedure.
- 5.3 The Union will, within thirty (30) calendar days, following the signing of this Agreement deliver to the Board a written notice listing the Union's authorized representatives who will deal with the Board and make commitments for the Union. It is the Union's responsibility to maintain this list of authorized representatives in a current state. The Board may rely on the last filed notice in all dealings with the Union.
- 5.4 The Union Chairperson or designee(s) shall be provided a total of three (3) paid professional leave days to conduct union business. This time shall be recorded in the District's time and attendance system as "Association Business".

ARTICLE 6

SENIORITY

- 6.1 The first seventy (70) work days of employment shall be considered a probationary period to permit the Board to determine a new employee's fitness and adaptability for the work required, subject to extension by mutual agreement. The Board may discharge any said new employee without such discharge being subject to the Grievance and Arbitration Procedure of this Agreement. All new employees are required to undergo at Board expense a physical examination to determine the employee's fitness to perform the work required. The physical examination shall include drug testing by a licensed physician. Unless otherwise expressly provided herein, a probationary employee will not be entitled to any of the fringe benefits provided for in this Agreement, except holiday pay, pursuant to Section 11.2 of Article 11.
- 6.2 New employees will not be eligible for any health insurance benefit until they have satisfactorily completed their physical examination required under Section 6.1 of Article 6 or upon completion of the probationary period, whichever occurs last.
- 6.3 Seniority, for purposes of this Agreement, shall mean continuous, full-time service.
- 6.4 Continuous full-time service shall be calculated from date of first employment or re-employment following a break in continuous service in accordance with Section 6.5 of Article 6.
- 6.5 Seniority for all purposes shall be terminated for any of the following reasons:
- a. Voluntary quit;
 - b. Discharge for just cause;
 - c. Failure to notify the Board of intent to return to work within four (4) working days after notice of recall is given; reasonable exceptions to these time limits may be agreed to in cases of proven sickness or injury to employee;
 - d. Absence for two (2) consecutive days without reporting to the Board, unless impossible to do so;
 - e. Failure to report for work at the end of a leave of absence or extension thereof;
 - f. Failure to be recalled from layoff or return to work due to any non-occupational connected illness or accident for a period of twelve (12) months, unless extended by mutual agreement for medical reasons.
- 6.6 The parties agree that work assignments by the Board (including overtime) shall be made to qualified employees within their respective classification by location. Overtime shall be in accordance with Appendix E.
- 6.7 The parties recognize that promotional opportunity and job security in the event of promotions, reductions in force (RIFs), and re-hiring after layoffs should increase in proportion to length of continuous service, and that in the administration of Article 6 the intent will be that, whenever

practicable, full consideration shall be given to continuous permanent full-time service.

6.8 In promotions (except promotions to positions excluded under the definition of "employee" in Article 2 - Recognition) the following factors shall be considered; however, only where factor "a" is relatively equal shall length of continuous service be the determining factor:

- a. Ability to perform the work;
- b. Performance
- c. Continuous Service.

6.9 Reduction in staff shall only occur after a careful assessment has been completed with all reasonable possible options considered. Whenever possible, reducing part-time employees will be considered before reducing full-time employees.

- a. The Board retains the sole and exclusive right to determine the need for and magnitude of a reduction in force.
- b. The Board shall notify the Union of any planned reduction in staff and agrees to make available the budget justification book.
- c. When a reduction in force becomes necessary the following criteria shall be determinative and in this order:
 1. Program needs and the employee's ability to meet those needs.
 2. Employees with documented performance issues will be the first to be subject to a reduction in force. Employees with documented performance issues include:
 - a. Employees on a written performance improvement plan in the twenty-four (24) months preceding a reduction in force.
 - b. Employees whose employment record within twenty-four (24) months preceding the reduction in force reflects a pattern of marginal or unsatisfactory performance as evidenced by significant documented disciplinary action, multiple documented disciplinary actions, or a series of less than satisfactory performance evaluations.
 3. Employees having the most seniority shall be placed in the remaining positions provided it can be demonstrated their ability to perform the work is relatively equal.
 4. The staff shall be reduced in the reverse order that employees were hired in the school district.
 5. Employees hired on the same date shall be let go by lot if both are qualified to do the work.
 6. Full time employees will not be let go when the needs giving rise to the reduction in staff can be met by the termination of a part-time employee.

7. For a period of one (1) year following a reduction in force, should a vacancy occur, employees shall be considered first for the opening(s) for which they apply. First means that the applicants shall be evaluated prior to the hiring process and if deemed qualified in the sole judgment of the Board, offered the position. When applying, qualifying former employees must indicate that their position has been eliminated or reduced within the last year. Recalled employees shall be placed on the wage schedule at the same step at the time they were laid off and shall retain any benefits they had accrued at the time they were laid off, such as accrued sick days and seniority. In cases when more than one qualifying former employee applies prior to hiring decisions being completed, they shall be considered in reverse order of the original reduction, i.e., last let go shall be the first returned providing they are qualified for the open position(s).
 8. If a school within the District is to be closed and there is to be a reduction in force, those employees in the effected school shall have bumping rights district wide. When bumping, they shall have the right to bump a less senior employee who works the same time slot in another school.
- 6.10 For purpose of Article 6, the term "Board" shall include those Administrators and/or Supervisors designated by the Board to act in its behalf.
 - 6.11 Ability to perform the work, as used In Article 6, shall mean to satisfactorily perform the job in question, without assistance or additional training.
 - 6.12 All bargaining unit vacancies shall be posted online and a notification made to the Chapter Chairperson. The name of the successful candidate shall be supplied to the Chapter Chairperson within five (5) working days by the Supervisor.

ARTICLE 7

DISCIPLINE AND DISCHARGE

- 7.1 An employee who has completed his probationary period shall not be suspended or discharged except for just cause.
- 7.2 All disciplinary actions shall be applied in a fair manner and shall be consistent with the infraction for which disciplinary action is being applied. When an employee is inefficient, has excessive lost time, poor workmanship, or other performance issues, he/she may be subject to appropriate discipline, including suspension without pay or discharge. In addition to any verbal warning, the Board shall give at least one (1) written warning notice of the specific complaint against such employee with a copy of same to the Union, except that no warning notice needs to be given to any employee before he/she is discharged, if his/her discharge is for any of the causes listed in Section 7.3.
- 7.3 While on duty, causes for immediate disciplinary action up to and including discharge include, but are not limited to, proven theft, proven intoxication, selling, possessing or being under the influence of illegal drugs, failure to report a vehicle accident, recklessness resulting in a serious accident, insubordination or assault on a Board official, misconduct during employment, incompetency or inefficiency, conviction of a felony, failure to perform assigned duties, any substantiated mistreatment of a student, any act or action which creates danger to health or safety of others, failure to observe rules and regulations, incompatibility with other employees, and unauthorized absence from duty.
- 7.4 All suspensions and discharges must be stated in writing with reason, and a copy given to the employee and the Union at the time of suspension or discharge. Notice of appeal from discharge or suspension must be made to the Board via the Superintendent in writing within eight (8) days from date of such notice. If the Board and Union are unable to agree to a settlement of the case, then it may be appealed to the grievance and arbitration procedure of this Agreement. Copies of all formal disciplinary action shall be sent to the Union.
- 7.5 If an employer has reason to reprimand an employee, it shall be done in a manner that will not embarrass the employee before other employees or the public.
- 7.6 Upon discharge, the Board shall immediately pay all monies due the employee. Upon quitting, the Board shall pay all monies due the employee on the payday following such quitting.
- 7.7 The disciplinary service record of an employee shall be continuous. However, verbal warnings, written reprimands and suspensions shall be deemed null and void in accordance with the following:

Verbal & Written Warnings

After two (2) years from the date of the most recent infraction and the employee has not received any verbal and/or written reprimands in that time period.

Suspension

After three (3) years from the date of the most recent infraction and the employee has not received any written warnings or suspensions in that time period.

Notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, any material in an employee's file in relation to discipline arising out of charges of misconduct involving students or co-workers is excluded from the purge. Unfounded reports of sexual harassment will not be added to the Personnel file of the alleged offender unless the alleged offender so requests.

- 7.8 In the event a verbal warning is given to an employee, a written record shall be made by the Supervisor. A copy of same shall be given to the employee and the Union representative, and a copy shall be placed in the employee's file after the employee has been given an opportunity to initial the same indicating only that he/she has received a copy.

ARTICLE 8

GRIEVANCE AND ARBITRATION PROCEDURE

- 8.1 Definition
A grievance, for the purpose of this Agreement, is a complaint against the Board by an employee or group of employees with respect to the interpretation and/or application of a provision or provisions of this Agreement.
- 8.2 A grievance must be filed upon the official form attached hereto (Appendix F) within fifteen (15) calendar days, excluding holidays, of its occurrence or when the employee should have known of its occurrence.
- 8.3 It is the intention of the parties that grievances be settled at the lowest possible step.
- 8.4 For the purpose of this procedure, days as used in Article 7 shall be calendar days, excluding holidays.
- 8.5 Procedure

Step 1

Between the employee and his/her immediate non-bargaining unit supervisor, who will give his/her answer in writing within ten (10) days. If no satisfactory settlement is reached at Step 1, then within ten (10) days of receipt of the supervisor's answer, the grievance shall be reduced to writing and submitted to Step 2.

Step 2

Between the participants of Step 1 and the Director of Buildings and Grounds, who will give his/her answer in writing within ten (10) days. If no satisfactory settlement is reached at Step 2, the grievance shall be reduced to writing and submitted to Step 3.

Step 3

If the grievance is not settled at Step 2, the Union may, through its representative, appeal it by giving written notice of such appeal to the SAU #29 Business Administrator (or his/her designee) within fifteen (15) days after receipt of Step 2 answer. Discussion will take place and the SAU #29 Business Administrator (or his/her designee) will give his/her answer in writing within fifteen (15) days following receipt of the Step 3 appeal. If the grievance is not settled in Step 3, it may be referred to Step 4.

Step 4

Within twenty (20) days of a grievance being referred to Step 4, the Board will hold a hearing with the participants of Steps 2 and 3 and examine the facts of the grievance. The Board will thereafter, within twenty (20) days of such hearing, give its answer. If the grievance is still not settled, the matter may be referred to arbitration as set forth in Step 5 of this procedure.

Step 5

If the matter is referred to arbitration, then the parties shall by mutual agreement appoint an arbitrator recognized by the American Arbitration Association and/or the NH PELRB and that such arbitrator shall operate under the rules and procedures of the applicable

licensing authority. In the event the parties are unable to agree on the appointment of an arbitrator, the parties shall each submit a list of three arbitrators to the NH PELRB and it shall select an arbitrator from the lists provided. If the arbitrator is licensed by both the American Arbitration Association and the NH PELRB, the parties shall mutually agree on which rules apply and, in the absence of such agreement, the rules of the NH PELRB shall be used. The arbitrator's power and authority shall be limited to interpretation and application of the provisions of this Agreement and he/she shall have no power or authority to add to, subtract from, alter, or modify any of the provisions of this Agreement. The arbitrator shall thereafter submit a decision to both parties. The arbitrator's decision shall be binding on both parties except as indicated below:

- a. "Improper conduct toward students" - Grievances involving discharge and/or discipline resulting from "improper conduct toward students" will end at the School Board level which decision will be binding, provided this provision will not limit in any way any legal remedy which otherwise may be available to the employee (grievant).
- b. Effective 7/1/96 - Grievances involving discipline and/or discharge - Arbitration decisions relating to grievances involving discipline and/or discharge except as specified in (a) above shall be subject to the provisions of N.H. RSA Chapter 542 as amended and a side letter between the parties which provides that if either party appeals any such arbitration decision and that decision is upheld then the appealing party will reimburse or pay in the first instance the defending party's reasonable costs, not to exceed \$500, and attorney fees relating to any such appeal.

- 8.6 Class Action grievances brought by the Union on behalf of all members of the bargaining unit may be introduced in Step 3. Class Action is any allowable grievance that is voted on by the majority of members.
- 8.7 Time periods specified in this procedure may be extended by mutual agreement.
- 8.8 Nothing in Article 8 shall diminish the right of any employee covered hereunder to present his/her own grievance to the Board, except that any settlement reached shall be consistent with the terms and conditions of this Agreement.
- 8.9 No monetary claims, such as back wages, fringe benefits, etc., by any employee covered by this Agreement of and by the Union against the Board shall be valid for a period prior to the date that the grievance was first discussed with the employer under the provisions of Article 8.
- 8.10 It is understood by both the employer and the Union that during the processing of any grievance the employee and the Union shall not engage in any strike, work stoppage, slowdown, or other concerted refusal to perform work as directed by the Board, nor shall any instigation thereof, and the Board not engage in any lockout.
- 8.11 The expense and salary incident to the service of the arbitrator shall be shared equally by the Board and the Union.

- 8.12 Failure at any step of this procedure to communicate the decision on a grievance within the specified time limits (unless extended by mutual agreement) shall permit the aggrieved person to proceed to the next level. Failure at any level of the grievant to appeal a grievance to the next level within the specified time limits shall be deemed to be acceptance of the decision rendered at that level.
- 8.13 The parties agree that employees covered by this Agreement shall enjoy freedom from restraint, interference, coercion, discrimination or reprisal in presenting or appealing any personal grievance(s).
- 8.14 All documents relating to a grievance shall be filed separately from the employee's personnel file.
- 8.15 The following matters are excluded from the arbitration provisions of this Agreement:
- a. Management prerogatives as set forth in this Agreement and as provided and interpreted under RSA 273;
 - b. School Board Policy not in conflict with the terms of this Agreement.

ARTICLE 9

HOURS OF WORK AND OVERTIME

- 9.1 The parties recognize that employees' daily and weekly schedules and assignments are based on the Board's operating requirements and are subject to change. Any significant changes in an employee's daily and/or weekly schedules must be in writing with a copy given to the Union Chairperson. Except in case of emergency, written notice of changes to an employee's daily schedule, start and stop times, will be provided within fifteen (15) work days. Arbitrary changes shall be subject to the grievance procedure.
- 9.2 Except as otherwise provided in this Agreement, nothing contained in Article 9 shall be construed as a guarantee of hours of work per day, or per week, or days of work per week.
- 9.3 The normal work week shall be forty (40) hours per week scheduled on five (5) successive days.
- 9.4 The normal daily work hours shall be eight (8). Meal periods may not exceed one (1) hour and shall be unpaid. It is the intent of the district to provide a 30 (thirty) minute uninterrupted lunch.
- 9.5 Reasonable overtime requirements may be an exception to the normal work day or work week. The District shall establish procedures to define reasonable overtime expectations to address events that constitute a challenge to the safe operation of the school day. Time and one-half shall be paid to eligible employees as follows:
- a. Hours worked in excess of forty (40) hours in any one (1) week;
 - b. Holiday hours paid shall be counted in determining overtime liabilities.
- 9.6 The Board will, to the greatest degree possible, distribute overtime work as fairly as possible among the qualified employees. Overtime shall be assigned in accordance with Appendix D.
- 9.7 For purposes of this Agreement, full-time employee shall mean an employee who works in excess of thirty (30) hours per week and works forty (40) weeks or more in any fiscal year.
- 9.8 Vacations, holidays, and any other full-time employee benefits set forth in this Agreement, shall be calculated on the basis of eight (8) hours and shall be considered as hours worked.
- 9.9 In the event that the Governor declares a State of Emergency for New Hampshire including the prohibition of traveling on regional roadways during the employees scheduled work day, employees shall be compensated for their normal working hours. If they are able to safely report and are requested to report to work, then they shall be paid at one and a half (1½) times their normal hourly rate.

ARTICLE 10

COMPENSATION

- 10.1 The Board and the Union recognize the principle of a fair day's work for a fair day's pay.
- 10.2 The wage classification structure for the term of this Agreement is set forth in Appendix B attached hereto.
- 10.3 Employees covered by this Agreement will receive compensation in accordance with the wage scale set forth in Appendix B.
- 10.4 All new employees with no experience shall be hired at the minimum rate, specified in Appendix B, within the applicable Grade Level. New employees with experience in the classification for which they are hired may be hired above the minimum rate, however no new non-trades employee shall be hired at higher than step two (2).
- 10.5 Effective July 1, 2024 and each July 1st for the life of this contract, each employee shall be moved to the next appropriate step until said employee has reached the maximum step as provided by Appendix B.
- 10.6 The parties agree to the following classification:
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| Electrician | Boiler Technician/Plumber |
| Carpenter | Control Technician |
| Utility Person | Custodian |
| Grounds Person | Head Custodian |
| | Head Grounds person |
- 10.7 When an employee is assigned to work in a higher classification in excess of one (1) working day, the employee shall, for as long as the employee continues to be assigned to such higher classification, receive the standard rate of the higher classification retroactive to the first working day in said higher classification.
- 10.8 No employee covered by this Agreement will be permitted to be paid in excess of the maximum for his respective classification set forth in Appendix B attached hereto.
- 10.9 The parties agree to have all employees enroll in the District's Direct Deposit program. Paper pay stubs will not be provided but employee pay stub information will be available to employees online. The District shall initiate the process with the employees and educate as well as assist the employees as needed.

ARTICLE 11

HOLIDAYS

11.1 The following shall be recognized as paid holidays:

New Year's Day
Memorial Day
Independence Day
Labor Day
Veteran's Day
Thanksgiving Day
Christmas Day

In addition, the parties agree that there shall be five (5) floating days off with pay which shall be scheduled, published and specified during the term of this Agreement.

11.2 In order to be eligible for holiday pay, an employee must satisfy the following criteria:

- a. Be a regular or probationary employee.
- b. Have been on a paid status the scheduled workday immediately before and immediately after the holiday.

11.3 Eligible full-time employees covered by this Agreement shall receive holiday pay based upon their straight time earnings for eight (8) hours.

11.4 Employees who are required to work on a recognized holiday set forth in Article 11 will be paid time and one-half in addition to holiday pay.

11.5 Whenever the foregoing holidays fall on a Sunday, they shall be observed on the following Monday. Whenever they fall on a Saturday, they shall be observed on the preceding Friday. Whenever State and Federal observances are in conflict, the Board shall determine which observance is applicable for the purposes of Article 11.

11.6 When a paid holiday occurs during an employee's vacation, he shall not be charged a vacation day for the qualifying paid holiday. Such time off shall be taken at a time when it will not conflict with the schedules of the Board.

ARTICLE 12

LEAVES OF ABSENCE

12.1 Personal Days:

All employees shall receive two (2) personal day per year. Personal days shall not be taken to extend a vacation. Employees may carry up to three (3) personal days from fiscal to fiscal year.

Personal leave for urgent and legitimate reasons may be granted by the Director of Buildings and Grounds. All personnel are obligated to notify their immediate supervisor forty-eight (48) hours in advance, except in cases of emergency. While on personal leave the employee's rate of pay will be subject to any general increase or decrease in salary rates that may become effective during the leave. Employees shall be returned to the job held just prior to such leave, subject to employment conditions existing at the time of return.

12.2 Employees accepting employment or conducting a business outside of the Board during a leave of absence, or an extension of such leave, may be terminated from the employment of the Board and shall lose all seniority rights.

12.3 The Board shall provide to the Union a report of all employees on personal leave of absence, together with the dates of expiration of such leave upon request.

12.4 The Board shall permit up to five (5) bereavement days with pay due to the death of an employee's father, mother, wife, husband, brother, sister, son, daughter, foster parent, step-parent, step-child, foster child, and grandparent, grandchild and the same relatives of the employee's spouse/domestic partner, or permanent residents of the employee's household. Such pay will be based upon eight (8) hours at the employee's regular hourly rate for full-time employees.

12.5 The Board recognizes that it is the duty of every citizen to serve on a jury when requested by the Local, State, or Federal authorities. The Board will compensate for eight (8) hours pay at straight time at the employee's regular rate for each day of jury service, less the amount of compensation paid by the Court for such service. The employee shall provide the Board with a statement of earnings from jury service. If appropriate, when jury service is completed prior to 12:00 noon, the employee is required to report to work. The employee must provide official court documents to his/her supervisor immediately upon receipt of a summons for jury service for leave to be approved. Section 12.5 does not apply where an employee voluntarily seeks jury service.

12.6 Military leave of absence shall be granted by the Board in accordance with existing State and Federal statutes.

12.7 An employee called to serve not more than fourteen (14) days annual training tour of duty with the National Guard or Armed Forces Reserves will be paid the difference between his/her pay for such government service and the amount of earnings lost by reason of such service based on the employee's regular daily rate.

12.8 Full time employees shall accrue one (1) sick day per month. Employees shall be entitled to accumulation of sick leave up to a maximum of one hundred (100) days. A custodian shall be

able to use up to ten (10) days per year of his/her own sick leave for illness of an immediate family member (defined as a spouse, child, parent, sibling, grandparent, grandchild, parents of spouse, or any person permanently residing in the household). The immediate supervisor or the Board may request medical evidence from the Board's physician whenever they feel it necessary or appropriate and the Board shall pay the cost of any such examination. Should an employee leave the employ of the District prior to earning the twelve (12) days, the employee shall reimburse the District the difference between earned sick leave and the paid sick leave.

12.9 Leaves for any and all reason(s) not expressed in this agreement, paid or not paid, shall be granted at the discretion of the Board. Refer to KSB policy GCCAA.

12.10 Family and Medical Leave Act:

All eligible employees as defined by the Family & Medical Leave Act of 1993 shall be entitled to the benefits set forth therein or the benefits of this contract, whichever are greater; provided, nevertheless, the School Board shall have all of the discretion provided in said Act including, but not limited to, the right to allocate leave, to require medical certification and recertification, to transfer persons on intermittent leave to an alternative position, to require a fitness for duty certificate prior to return. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Board agrees to establish July 1-June 30 for purposes of FMLA.

ARTICLE 13

VACATION

- 13.1 Paid vacation time will be provided to each full-time employee based upon time of continuous employment as follows:
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| 0 through 4 years - | 1.00 day per month |
| 5 through 9 years - | 1.5 days per month |
| 10 through 14 years - | 1.75 days per month |
| Over 14 years - | 2.00 days per month |
- 13.2 The official vacation period shall be between July 1st through June 30th. Vacations will be scheduled on an individual basis during the vacation period. Senior employees shall have the preference in selecting the time they wish to take their vacation. All requests for vacation must be approved in advance by the immediate supervisor.
- 13.3 An employee's anniversary date shall be used for calculating the years of service and each succeeding anniversary date for this purpose thereafter. Employees may accumulate up to a maximum based on the following:
As of July 1, 2024: of sixty (60) vacation days.
- 13.4 An employee, in order to become eligible for full vacation credit and pay, shall be in the employ of the Board on January 1st, except with respect to laid off, deceased or retired employees.
- 13.5 Vacation pay shall be equal to the normal daily straight time pay of the employee as set forth in Article 9 of this Agreement.
- 13.6 Employees will cooperate with the Board in scheduling their vacation (both in terms of date and duration) at times which do not conflict with the operational requirements of the Board.
- 13.7 Upon discharge by the Board, or resignation by the employee, earned vacation time and pay shall be included in all final wage payments. In case of death of an employee who is eligible for a vacation, vacation pay due such an employee shall be paid to the employee's spouse or estate.
- 13.8 An employee who is laid off, dies, or is retired, shall be entitled to vacation and vacation pay to the date any such termination occurs, in accordance with the schedules and eligibility requirements contained in Article 13.
- 13.9 Vacation benefits to which employees may be entitled prior to the signing of this Agreement shall not be reduced; thereafter all employees shall accrue vacation benefits as set forth in Article 13.

ARTICLE 14

REPORTING AND CALL-IN PAY

- 14.1 An employee who is scheduled to report for work during his or her normal work week and who does report ready for work in accordance with this schedule, shall be guaranteed, as a minimum, four (4) hours straight time pay at his or her regular hourly rate provided he or she has not been previously notified before the conclusion of the previous day's work not to report. Section 14.1 shall not apply where the Board's failure to provide work is because an employee refuses available work or because of circumstances beyond the Board's control. Any employee so reporting may be assigned to other work.
- 14.2 An employee who is called in to work outside of his or her regular scheduled day shall be guaranteed, as a minimum, four (4) hours at his or her straight time rate.
- An employee called in for emergency purposes shall not be assigned additional routine work to fulfill the four (4) hours
- 14.3 In recognition of the difficulties imposed on the Board through failure of employees to comply with work schedules, an employee reporting late for, or absenting himself or herself from work including scheduled overtime without just cause, shall be subject to discipline in accordance with the provisions of this Agreement. Employees shall, before starting time, or as early as practicable thereafter, give notice to the Board whenever they are to either report late or absent themselves from work.
- 14.4 The Board shall provide a time recording procedure for employees to record their daily hours worked. Each employee shall "record in" and "record out" in order to report time worked for purposes of pay. Employees should record out when they are on lunch or other non-working breaks. No employee shall record time for another employee. Violations of Section 14.4 shall be subject to appropriate disciplinary action including discharge.
- 14.5 Employees assigned to work and/or completing their work away from their assigned location shall report their time accurately on the time recording procedure.

ARTICLE 15

SAFETY CONDITIONS AND OCCUPATIONAL INJURY

- 15.1 Employees shall immediately, not later than the end of their shift, report any and all defects of equipment. Such reports shall be made on forms supplied by the Board. The employee shall retain a copy of any such report.
- 15.2 Employees shall be required to report immediately any accident and any physical injury sustained. In addition to reports required by law, employees shall file an accident report (on forms supplied by the Board) at the end of their shift and shall turn in all available information, including names and addresses of witnesses to the accident. Failure by any employee to comply with the provisions of Section 15.2 shall be the subject of appropriate disciplinary action including discharge.
- 15.3 The Board shall provide employees with Workers' Compensation, Unemployment, and Social Security Insurance, as required by the State and Federal statutes.
- 15.4 The Safety and Labor Relations Committee, composed of the Union's local Unit Chairperson, a volunteer from each location, and three (3) members appointed by the Board, will meet once every ninety (90) days for the purpose of reviewing safety, reviewing directives, and any issues to aid in communication and information dissemination. The agenda shall be set by the Director of Building and Grounds with the inclusion of items set forth by the Unit Chair.
- 15.5 If an employee is required by the Board to wear a uniform, protective clothing, or any type of protective device as a condition of employment, such uniform, protective clothing, or protective device shall be furnished to the employee by the Board.
- 15.6 The Board will provide to each employee not later than September 1, uniforms, consisting of five (5) sets of shirts or blouses. The employee will maintain the uniforms at his or her expense, and will wear the uniform in clean and pressed condition while on duty. The style of the uniform will be selected from available styles by the Board with the advice and consent of the union.
- 15.7 The Board will provide each employee up to two hundred and seventy-five dollars (\$275) a year reimbursement for the purchase of position appropriate shoes as well as items listed as determined by the positions direct supervisors. All similar positions will have the same criteria for shoe and list item requirements. The supervisor shall provide a list of qualifying footwear.

List of reimbursable items are:

- Winter Hat
- Winter Gloves
- Winter Socks
- Winter Boots
- Snow Pants
- Long Underwear
- Rain Gear
- Work pants /shorts

ARTICLE 16

MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS

- 16.1 If any provisions of this Agreement or any application of this Agreement to any employee or group of employees is held to be contrary to law, then such provision or application shall not be deemed valid and subsisting, except to the extent permitted by law, but all other provisions or applications shall continue in full force and effect.
- 16.2 All references to employees in this Agreement designate both sexes, and wherever the male gender is used it shall be constituted to include male and female employees.
- 16.3 The union recognizes its responsibility as bargaining agent and agrees to represent all employees in the bargaining unit without discrimination, interference, restraint, or coercion, and further agrees not to discriminate, interfere, restrain or coerce other employees who are not members of the Union.
- 16.4 The names of employees selected as local officers and the names of other Union representatives who may represent employees shall be certified in writing to the Board by the Union as required in Section 5.3.
- 16.5 The Board will comply with all state and federal statutes affecting employees covered by this Agreement.
- 16.6 The Board will, upon request, supply the Union with a table of organization reflecting the supervisory structure of the Custodial and Maintenance Unit.
- 16.7 Whenever a new job or vacancy is created in any school the name of the job, the requirements, and pay grade of the job shall be posted in all schools. All employees shall be given five (5) days to apply for said job. Management shall make its determination in accordance with Article 16, shall seek to fill any such position within thirty (30) days following the closing of the posting, and shall notify the Union of such determination. Closing date shall be required in all postings.

ARTICLE 17

NO STRIKE CLAUSE

- 17.1 The Board and the Union subscribe to the principle that differences shall be resolved by peaceful and appropriate means and without interruption of work. The Union agrees, therefore, that there shall be no strikes, work stoppages, or other concerted refusal to perform work by the employees covered by this Agreement, nor any instigation thereof during the life of this Agreement, and the Board agrees that there shall be no lockout.

ARTICLE 18

INSURANCE

- 18.1 The Board agrees to maintain in effect an insurance plan for employees covered by this Agreement so long as they remain on the Keene School Board payroll.
- 18.2 The Board agrees to offer the AB20-R10/25/40, and up to two additional options. The board must offer at least 2 plan choices. The contribution rates listed below shall be applied to the plan chosen. If the plan chosen is more costly than the AB20, contributions will be capped at the AB20 contribution costs.

Contribution Rates

80%

An employee must enroll as a member of one of the health plans offered to this group by the District to be eligible for contribution benefits under this Article. Employees may elect not to join the plan or may elect single, two-person or family coverage.

Employees electing not to join one of the health plans for the entire membership year and secure alternate group health insurance coverage of comparable quality and who supply the district with proof of the alternate coverage shall be eligible to receive a payment consistent with the below schedule upon the close of the applicable school year. The amount shall not be pro-rated and no consideration for partial years will be given.

\$7,000

- 18.3 The Board agrees to provide up to One Thousand dollars (\$1,000) in accordance with following chart, toward the cost to provide a dental plan comparable to Delta Dental Plan Option 3A. Eligibility shall be in accordance with the rules of Northeast Delta Dental.

2024-2028 \$1,000

- 18.4 Employees may select single, two (2) person, or family health and dental insurance coverage.
- 18.5 The difference between the maximum contribution set forth in (1) and (2) above and the actual cost to the Board to provide the coverage selected in (3) above will be payroll deducted during appropriate payroll period(s) by the Board.
- 18.6 The District agrees to establish a Section 125 Medical Spending Account and a Dependent Care Spending Account at District expense for all full-time and regular employees. The Medical Spending Account will have a \$200 minimum and a \$2,500 maximum limit. The Dependent Care Spending Account will have a \$200 minimum and a \$5,000 maximum limit.
- 18.7 The Board will pay the full cost to provide a term life insurance policy in the amount of two (2) times salary including an accidental death and dismemberment provision, subject to regulations imposed by the carrier.

- 18.8 Disability:

The Board agrees to provide short and long-term disability for employees as outlined.

Short-term and Long-term disability is defined as the condition resulting from the sickness or injury of an employee which prevents such employee from doing each of the material duties of his or her regular occupation. Disability benefits as defined hereunder shall commence on the tenth (10th) consecutive day following the beginning of the absence of the employee, or upon the exhaustion of all accumulated sick leave, whichever date is last. Provided, however, that an employee shall not be entitled to disability benefits for disability resulting from sickness or injury that was diagnosed and/or treated within three (3) months before the commencement of an employee's employment with the district or which liability commences during the first twelve (12) months of "employment" with the district. Provided, further, that an employee will not be entitled to disability benefits if the sickness or injury resulting in disability is caused or substantially caused as a result of other employment.

Short Term Disability Payments

Disability benefits for the period of the tenth (10th) consecutive day to the eighty-ninth (89th) consecutive day following the beginning of the absence shall be at 60% of the employee's hourly rate of pay. Payment shall be made to the employee according to the usual payroll schedule of the District. The maximum disability benefit during this period shall be five thousand dollars (\$5,000.00) per month.

Long Term Disability Payments

Disability benefits for the ninetieth (90th) consecutive day following the beginning of the absence to the termination of entitlement to disability benefits shall also be at 60% of the employee's pre-disability earnings as determined at the commencement of the disability. Payment shall be made to the employee monthly during this period by the insurance carrier. The maximum benefit during this period shall be five thousand dollars (\$5,000.00) per month.

- 18.9 The parties agree that the School Board shall have the exclusive right to determine the carrier used to provide the benefits set forth in this Article, including the right to self-insure; however, the Board shall not have the right to diminish any of the benefits provided herein.

The Union agrees to join with the Board in the exploration of alternative health plans. The goal is to find mutually agreeable opportunity to provide comparable health coverage with no reduction in benefits or better health care coverage to Union members. Any such change may be made mid-term to this Agreement through a ratification process. Should no mutually agreeable proposed change be found, health care coverage shall continue as outlined above. The parties further agree all economic changes shall be subject to the customary rules of bargaining.

- 18.10 The parties agree that payroll deductions for all applicable benefits will be taken on a pre-tax basis.

The parties agree that any deductions made by the District from the compensation of the employee which results from District error and which exceeds the amount actually authorized for deduction by the employee, shall be refunded to the employee.

ARTICLE 19

NOTICES UNDER AGREEMENT

- 19.1 Whenever written notice to the Board is provided for in this Agreement, such notice shall be addressed to the Superintendent of Schools, SAU #29, 193 Maple Ave., Keene, NH 03431.

- 19.2 Whenever written notice to the Union is provided for in this Agreement, such notice shall be addressed to AFSCME/AFL-CIO – Staff representative, 77 Sundial Ave, Suite 104W, Manchester, NH 03103.
- 19.3 Either party, by written notice, may change the address at which future written notices to it shall be given.

ARTICLE 20

FINAL RESOLUTION

- 20.1 This Agreement represents the final resolution of all matters in dispute between the parties and shall not be changed or altered unless the change or alteration has been mutually agreed to and evidenced in writing by the parties hereto.

ARTICLE 21

DURATION OF AGREEMENT

- 21.1 This Agreement shall continue in full force and effect until twelve (12) o'clock midnight June 30, 2028 and from year to year thereafter unless written notice of desire to terminate this Agreement is given at least ninety (90) days prior to the expiration of the Agreement or to modify this Agreement within one hundred and twenty (120) days prior to the budget submission date of this Agreement by either party to the other by registered or certified mail.

APPENDIX A

DUES DEDUCTION AUTHORIZATION

Membership Application

**American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees
Membership and Authorization for Dues Deduction**

New Member

PLEASE PRINT LEGIBLY.

Re-commit

I hereby apply for membership in Council 99 (hereafter "Union") and I agree to abide by its Constitution and Bylaws. I authorize the Union and its successor or assignee to act as my exclusive bargaining representative for purposes of collective bargaining with respect to wages, hours and other terms and conditions of employment with my Employer.

Effective immediately, I hereby voluntarily authorize and direct my Employer to deduct from my pay each pay period, regardless of whether I am or remain a member of the Union, the amount of dues certified by the Union, and as they may be adjusted periodically by the Union, and to authorize my Employer to remit such amount monthly to the Union.

This voluntary authorization and assignment shall remain in effect in accordance with the applicable collective bargaining agreement. If the applicable collective bargaining agreement or state statute does not address revocation, then this voluntary authorization and assignment shall be irrevocable, regardless of whether I am or remain a member of the Union, for a period of one year from the date of execution or until the termination date of the collective bargaining agreement (if there is one) between the Employer and the Union, whichever occurs sooner, and for year to year thereafter unless I give the Employer and the Union written notice of revocation not less than ten (10) days and not more than twenty (20) days before the end of any yearly period, or in accordance with state statute. The applicable collective bargaining agreement is available for review, upon request. This card supersedes any prior check-off authorization card I signed.

I recognize that my authorization of dues deductions, and the continuation of such authorization from one year to the next, is voluntary and not a condition of my employment.

In order to comply with Internal Revenue Service rulings, be advised that your membership dues are not deductible for federal income tax purposes. However, they may be tax deductible as ordinary and necessary business expenses.

Local Number Employer

Last Name First Name M.I.

Street Address Apt. No.

City State ZIP Code

SSN (last four digits) Employee ID # Job Title

Cell Phone Personal E-mail Address

By providing my cell phone number, I understand that AFSCME and its affiliates may use automated calling technologies and/or text message me on my cell phone on a periodic basis. Carrier message and data rates may apply to such texts.

Signature Date

APPENDIX B

SALARY SCHEDULE

Year 1							
Grade	Minimum	Step 1	Step 2	Step 3	Step 4	Step 5	
	0	1	2	3	4	5	
CUST	18.00	18.22	18.88	19.38	20.08	21.20	
HEAD	19.36	19.99	20.78	21.38	22.13	23.50	
UTIL	21.88	22.57	23.38	24.03	25.03	26.05	
TRDS	27.00	28.00	29.00	30.00	31.00	32.00	
					Shift Differential	0.50	
					Grounds Keeper Differential	0.75	
YEAR 2							
Grade	Minimum	Step 1	Step 2	Step 3	Step 4	Step 5	
	0	1	2	3	4	5	
CUST	19.00	19.22	19.88	20.38	21.08	22.20	
HEAD	20.36	20.99	21.78	22.38	23.13	24.50	
UTIL	22.88	23.57	24.38	25.03	26.03	27.05	
TRDS	28.00	29.00	30.00	31.00	32.00	33.00	
					Shift Differential	0.50	
					Grounds Keeper Differential	0.75	
YEAR 3							
Grade	Minimum	Step 1	Step 2	Step 3	Step 4	Step 5	
	0	1	2	3	4	5	
CUST	20.00	20.22	20.88	21.38	22.08	23.20	
HEAD	21.36	21.99	22.78	23.38	24.13	25.50	
UTIL	23.88	24.57	25.38	26.03	27.03	28.05	
TRDS	29.00	30.00	31.00	32.00	33.00	34.00	
					Shift Differential	0.50	
					Grounds Keeper Differential	0.75	
YEAR 4							
Grade	Minimum	Step 1	Step 2	Step 3	Step 4	Step 5	
	0	1	2	3	4	5	
CUST	21.00	21.22	21.88	22.38	23.08	24.20	
HEAD	22.36	22.99	23.78	24.38	25.13	26.50	
UTIL	24.88	25.57	26.38	27.03	28.03	29.05	
TRDS	29.50	30.50	31.50	32.50	33.50	34.50	
					Shift Differential	0.50	
					Grounds Keeper Differential	0.75	

APPENDIX B-I

**KEENE SCHOOL DISTRICT
CLASSIFICATIONS BY GRADE**

Trades

Electrician
Boiler Technician/Plumber
Carpenter
Control Technician

Utility

Utility Person

Head

Head Custodian
Head Grounds person

Custodial

Custodian
Grounds Person

APPENDIX C

OVERTIME AGREEMENT

This agreement is dated January 7, 2000, and is intended to resolve a grievance filed by Keene Custodians AFSCM.E local 2973. For background, reference is made to the Step 3 filing dated October 15, 1999, and the Step 3 response dated November 9, 1999. At issue is "empty shift" coverage, namely short-term coverage for a building (Grade 3) custodian who has called in sick or is otherwise absent from duty for a short term (defined below).

1. The Director of Buildings and Grounds and/or the Supervisor of Custodial Services shall determine the desired coverage for the empty shift, namely whether a full replacement shift is desirable or some lesser temporary coverage. In certain circumstances, depending upon use of the building, it may be determined that no coverage is required.
2. The first call for the replacement shall be "in-building." In other words, the custodian(s) who is/are also assigned to the building of absent custodian will be asked to provide the desired coverage. In buildings with more than two (2) custodians, and a member(s) of the custodial staff voluntarily offers to cover the area as part of their already assigned duties, the rest of the "in-building" staff must be offered the overtime first this rotation shall be by seniority. If none of the members of the custodial staff accepted the "in-building" overtime, then the member(s) who voluntarily offered to cover the area as part of their already assigned duties may assume those duties. If none of the "in-building" staff accept the overtime or volunteer to cover the area, then the Master Overtime List shall be used. If the requested replacement coverage is four (4) hours or greater, a custodian's unavailability for any reason, including inability to contact the custodian, shall put the unavailable custodian at the bottom of the rotation list for the next "in building" call.
3. If coverage is unavailable "in building," the next attempt to obtain a replacement will be by way of a "master list." The master list is a list of Grade 3 custodians willing to work overtime at each building in the District. Changes to the list can be directed to the Director or Supervisor at any time by a union steward, and the changes shall be reflected in the rotation as soon as may be fairly accomplished within the reasonable discretion of the Director or Supervisor.
4. When a Weekend Event is offered for overtime, a description of the assignment shall be given with the offer of overtime. If there is a substantial change to the assignment i.e., an area of the school is added to the assignment for cleaning/maintaining, the member shall be notified as reasonably practical and given the choice to keep the assignment or turn it back in. If turned in this will be recorded as U-Unavailable/Not Available on the Master List. Substantial changes cannot be made to a Weekend Event after 6:00 pm on the Friday preceding the Weekend Event. Substantial changes that occur after 6:00 pm on Friday shall be considered another shift and offered as overtime.
5. If the requested replacement coverage is four (4) hours or greater, a custodian's unavailability for any reason, including inability to contact the custodian, shall put the unavailable custodian at the bottom of the rotation list for the next "master list" call. If the requested replacement coverage is 4 hours or greater, and the master listed custodian specifically rejects the opportunity to cover an empty shift upon three (3) consecutive requests (inability to contact the custodian shall not be a specific rejection), then such custodian shall be removed from the master list. By written request submitted to the Director of Buildings and Grounds (with a copy submitted by the custodian to the Supervisor of Custodial Services), a custodian so removed from the list may be re-added to the list (at the then-bottom of the rotation) no sooner than three (3) months from the rejection.

6. If coverage is unavailable by way of the master list, the Director or Supervisor may then seek replacement coverage from temporary replacements outside the bargaining unit.
7. The rotation as it may occur on each "in building" list does not change the rotation on the "master list."
8. If the Director or Supervisor become aware of an empty shift one (1) hour or less prior to the start of the shift, the Director or Supervisor may choose to obtain a replacement by whatever method is most convenient, not necessarily adhering to either the ordered procedure set forth in this agreement and/or the rotation of either list. However, if the rotation list is chosen in such circumstances, then the rotation schedule shall be adjusted accordingly.
9. The Director or Supervisor shall maintain a logbook with respect to administration of this agreement, and shall maintain brief notations within the log as to compliance with this agreement. The notations shall briefly indicate, for instance, the effort made to contact the custodian next-up on the list; and whether the custodian was unavailable or specifically rejected covering the empty shift or accepted it.
10. It is foreseeable that time constraints and/or communication hassles could result in unintended errors in the administration of the two lists. No grievance shall be filed for good faith administration of this agreement, including that no payment remedy shall result to a custodian who misses an overtime opportunity as a result of an unintended error, but the error shall be rectified, if possible, in the rotation as soon as this may be fairly accomplished within the reasonable discretion of the Director or Supervisor.

A short-term absence is defined as any absence that consists of up to ten (10) consecutive working days or less in total duration. In the event of any short-term absence that the District decides to cover partially or fully, the district must cover in accordance with Appendix E. Predetermined situations that are planned to go beyond the ten (10) working day period, do not qualify as a short-term absence. However, the District in its sole discretion may choose to use existing staff in accordance with Appendix E. If the District does use Appendix E for a non-short-term absence, it shall not prejudice their right to use outside labor in future situations that do not qualify for short-term absence coverage.

The coverage of short-term absences shall be regulated under Appendix E, which prohibits the use of temporary replacement personnel, except under short notice conditions (Section 7) or after the process has been exhausted (Section 5).

APPENDIX D



AFSCME LOCAL _____
STEP _____

OFFICIAL GRIEVANCE FORM

NAME OF EMPLOYEE _____ DEPARTMENT _____
CLASSIFICATION _____
WORK LOCATION _____ IMMEDIATE SUPERVISOR _____
TITLE _____

STATEMENT OF GRIEVANCE:

List applicable violation: _____

Adjustment required: _____

I authorize the A.F.S.C.M.E. Local _____ as my representative to act for me in the disposition of this grievance

Date _____ Signature of Employee _____

Signature of Union Representative _____ Title _____

Date Presented to Management Representative _____

Signature _____ Title _____

Disposition of Grievance: _____

THIS STATEMENT OF GRIEVANCE IS TO BE MADE OUT IN TRIPLICATE. ALL THREE ARE TO BE SIGNED BY THE EMPLOYEE AND/OR THE AFSCME REPRESENTATIVE HANDLING THE CASE.

ORIGINAL TO _____

COPY _____

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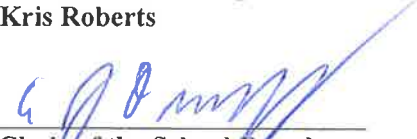
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IN WITNESS WHEREOF the parties have executed this agreement on the 2 day of April, 2024 or as of the date and year first written above.

**KEENE SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF EDUCATION**



Chair of Negotiating Committee
Kris Roberts

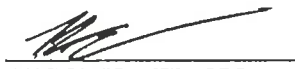


Chair of the School Board
George Downing

**KEENE CUSTODIANS
AFSCME AFL-CIO**



Chapter Chairperson
William Delisle



AFSCME AFL-CIO –
Staff Representative
Ryan Lones

