



SCHOOL BOARD MINUTES WEDNESDAY, JUNE 21, 2006

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Present: Ginny Burley, Chair, Rob LaClair, Vice Chair; Mark Berry, Stuart Savage, Tom Williams, Dot Blake, Principal; Tom McKone, HS Assistant Principal; Robbe Brook, Superintendent; Keith Gerritt, Incoming Principal.

Also Present: Amy Molina, Athletic & Recreation Director; Janey Malloy, Curriculum Team.

- 1.0 The meeting was called to order at 5:10 pm by Chair, Ginny Burley.
- 2.0 Mark Berry moved and Tom Williams seconded a motion to go into executive session for the purpose of discussing individual student and personnel matters.

This motion carried unanimously.

Tom Williams moved and Stuart Savage seconded a motion to come out of executive session at 7:53 pm.
- 3.0 The open meeting was called to order at 7:55 pm by Chair, Ginny Burley.
 - 3.1 Reception of Guests – Amy Molina and Janey Malloy were welcomed
 - 3.2 Agenda Revisions – None
 - 3.3 Public Comments and Correspondence – Dot Blake shared some letters with the board from students who participated in a self-advocacy program in Atlanta, Georgia.
- 4.0 Consent Agenda
 - 4.1 **Rob LaClair moved and Tom Williams seconded a motion to approve the minutes of the June 7, 2006 school board meeting.**
This motion passed unanimously.
- 5.0 Reports to the Board
 - 5.1 Finance – Stuart Savage reported that the fund balance is up; however some of this is due to the unfortunate fact that the number of students utilizing the Spaulding Technical Center program is down. The committee is also recommending that the board authorize the *Chronicle* newspaper to reserve \$1,500 for next year's budget from 05-06 funds.

There was also some discussion of the roof repair/replacement. Bid specifications are complete and bid requests have gone out. Dot Blake reported that completion of final commissioning for the building is hanging on one item – updating O & M manuals that have to be completed by Mike Pitonyak. All other items have been addressed.
 - 5.2 Curriculum – No report.
 - 5.3 Vermont School Boards' Association – Stuart Savage reported that a topic of discussion has been that "Fair Labor Practice Statutes" are not being followed by many schools in the state. The VSBA is working with supervisory union business managers to be sure they comply.
 - 5.4 Administrator's Report – Dot Blake noted that the July 1 Special Progress Report to NEASC has been completed and she thanked all involved in this effort. Keith Gerritt stated that the school has applied to participate in an HSOM (High School On the Move) study group. He anticipates that next year the school will participate in this effort. Keith also praised Dot Blake and thanked her for the time she has spent orienting him to the school.
- 6.0 Discussion Agenda
 - 6.1 2006-2007 Action Plan Presentation – Janey Malloy made a presentation to the board on the "Action Plan 2006-2007." She reviewed the four main goals and summarized the action step details. There was some discussion regarding the "9th Grade Academy" and the funding thereof. Dot Blake noted that this year it continues to be funded through grant monies, with the expectation that in the future the school will take on the expense of continuing the program. The board thanked Janey Malloy and the Action Plan committee members for their efforts. Robbe Brook mentioned that other schools in the supervisory union are using the U-32 Action Plan as a model.
 - 6.2 Athletics and Facility Use Year End Reports – Amy Molina presented the board with the "U-32 Athletics and Recreation Department End of Year Annual Report 2005- 2006, Submitted June 2006." Amy also presented the board with "Proposed New Academic Obligations." Amy requested the board's input on this revised write up because she would like to include it in the fall athletics Student/Athlete's Handbook. Some discussion followed regarding when students are required to arrive at school in the morning (during TA) in order to participate in athletics that day. The board asked that Amy Molina and other administrators iron out the specifics on that item. Discussion ensued regarding how much classroom time is lost due to students leaving early for sport events. The board members asked Amy to identify how much time is lost due to athletics, field trips, and musical or theater related issues.

Amy Molina also presented the board with a "U-32 Facility Use End of Year Annual Report 2005-2006, Submitted June 2006." Some discussion followed regarding computer scheduling software, the cost of newer, better software, and sources to fund such software (e.g., building the cost into fees). Amy provided proposed changes for rates for use



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of facilities; this will be reviewed by the Finance Committee and looked at again later in the summer by the whole board. There was also some discussion about liability waivers – which groups are required to provide certificates of insurance, versus the liability that is carried by the school. Amy Molina noted that any groups that are using the facilities for personal enterprise are required to provide certificates of insurance.

6.3 Middle School Report – Mark Mooney – Postponed.

6.4 Policy First Reading

**6.4.1 Graduation Policy – G9a – Rob LaClair moved and Tom Williams seconded a motion to approve the first reading of Graduation Policy G9a and move it to a second reading. Ginny Burley reported that any changes recommended to this policy should be communicated to the Policy Committee. She also noted that the second reading would be at the July board meeting.
This motion passed unanimously.**

7.0 Action Agenda

7.1 Approve Finance Actions – None.

7.2 Approve Non-Bargaining Unit Contracts – To be discussed in Executive Session.

**7.3 Approve 2006-2007 Action Plan – Tom Williams moved and Rob LaClair seconded a motion to approve the 2006-2007 Action Plan as written and presented.
This motion was approved unanimously.**

**7.4 Mark Berry moved and Stuart Savage seconded a motion to approve the fall athletics coaches as presented
This motion passed unanimously.**

7.5 Set Summer Meeting Schedule – The July meeting was moved from the 19th to July 12th; Robbe Brook wanted to be sure to put “Adopt Bus Routes” on the agenda for this meeting. The August meetings will take place as recommended on August 9 and August 23.

7.6 Resignations – None.

7.7 Mark Berry moved and Stuart Savage seconded a motion to approve the following appointment as recommended.

**7.7.1 Corinne Hayes-Colangeli 1.0 FTE Special Education
This motion passed unanimously.**

7.8 Approve Board Orders – No action taken tonight.

8.0 Ideas for Future Agenda

9.0 Board Comments

**2.0 Rob LaClair moved and Mark Berry seconded a motion to go into executive session at 9:15 pm for the purpose of discussing individual student and personnel issues.
This motion carried unanimously**

Rob LaClair moved and Mark Berry seconded a motion to come out of executive session at 10:35 pm.

**Stuart Savage moved and Tom Williams seconded a motion to approve the recommendation of the administration for student discipline for student #1.
The motion carried.**

The hearing in executive session was recessed to Monday, June 26 at 9:00 am at U-32.

**7.2. Mark Berry moved and Tom Williams seconded a motion to approve 2006-2007 non-bargaining contracts as recommended by the Personnel Committee.
The motion carried with four in favor and one opposed.**

3.0 Adjournment – There being no further business, the board adjourned by consensus at 10:50 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Lisa Stoudt
Board Recording Secretary