

GORHAM SCHOOL DEPARTMENT
Minutes of Regular Meeting
April 13, 2016

Present:	Kyle Bailey	Chris Record, Principal
	Sean Curran	Robert Riley, Principal
	Sara Nelson	Tim Spear, Athletic Dir.
	Suzanne Phillips	Hollis Cobb, Finance
	Darryl Wright	OM Students
	Heather Perry, Supt.	Press
Absent:	Tim Burns	Dennis Libby

The Regular Meeting of the Gorham School Committee was called to order at 7:00 PM by Chairman Wright and the roll was called. There being no corrections or additions, the minutes of the Regular Meeting of March 9, Special Meeting of March 23 and Workshops of March 14, March 21 and March 30, 2016 stood approved.

Public Comment

Bethany Woods, Laura Dyer and Gail Minichiello spoke regarding class sizes and supports.

Communications

Ms. Perry noted the following:

- The OM students gave a presentation.
- MEA testing is finishing up.
- The SC will be voting on the FY17 Budget later tonight.
- The Superintendent outlined the hiring process for the Assistant Superintendent.
- More than 2500 staff, parents and students have participated in the Revisioning process.
- As usual, parent conferences were very well attended throughout the district.

Administrative Reports

Mr. Riley gave an update on the Grade 4-8 Substance Abuse Counselor Prevention Program.

School Committee Standing and Special Committees

Finance – Mr. Wright reported that the Finance committee met on March 21 and reviewed the SNP increases, Narragansett roof bids, Kindergarten enrollments, FY16 YTD and the warrants. They meet again on April 25.

Policy – Ms. Nelson reported that the Policy committee met on March 22 and prepared policies for 1st and 2nd Reading tonight. The next meeting will be on April 27.

Personnel – Ms. Phillips reported that the Personnel did not meet.

Vocational Education – Ms. Nelson reported that the advisory committees met on March 17. PATHS is working on PBL and WRVC is having discussions around working with Woodfords. The next meeting is scheduled for May 12.

Sebago Education Alliance – Mr. Wright reported that the SEA met on April 11 and it was decided that there will be a Tech Camp for students this summer. The next meeting is May 9.

Unfinished Business

Ms. Phillips moved, seconded by Mr. Bailey to adopt the Medical Marijuana in Schools Policy (JLCDA) as presented. The motion passed 5 YES, 0 NO.

Ms. Phillips moved, seconded by Mr. Bailey to adopt the Gifts from the Public Policy (KCD) as presented. The motion passed 5 YES, 0 NO.

Ms. Phillips moved, seconded by Mr. Bailey to delete the Student Awards Policy (IGDA). The motion passed 5 YES, 0 NO.

New Business

Mr. Bailey moved, seconded by Ms. Nelson to appoint the following personnel:

Jessica Allen	HS English
Collette Andreasen	School Nurse

The motion passed 5 YES, 0 NO.

Ms. Nelson moved, seconded by Mr. Curran to approve a 2.5% increase for Central Office staff for FY17. The motion passed 5 YES, 0 NO.

Ms. Nelson moved, seconded by Mr. Curran to approve a \$.25 increase for SNP lunches for the 2016-2017 school year. The motion passed 5 YES, 0 NO.

Ms. Nelson moved, seconded by Ms. Phillips to approve the 2016-2019 negotiated contract with the Gorham Teachers Association. The motion passed 5 YES, 0 NO.

Ms. Phillips moved, seconded by Ms. Nelson that the School Committee approve and authorize the Superintendent to adopt a FY17 school budget of \$36,491,178. This figure represents a 4.04% increase over the FY16 budget and is the only part of the FY17 budget that requires State and Local (Town of Gorham) support. The motion passed 5 YES, 0 NO.

Ms. Phillips moved, seconded by Ms. Nelson that the School Committee approve and authorize the Superintendent to adopt the FY17 school budget, which raises additional local funds to support the school budget in the amount of \$4,828,978, an amount which exceeds the amount required as the local contribution to the state allocation by \$4,176,258.91 be approved. The motion passed 5 YES, 0 NO.

There was a 1st Reading of the Therapy Dogs Policy (IMGB).

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 8:17 PM.