

GORHAM SCHOOL DEPARTMENT  
Minutes of Regular Meeting  
June 10, 2015

Present:	Kyle Bailey	Ted Sharp, Supt.
	Tim Burns	Brian Porter, Principal
	John Doyle	Polly Brann, Principal
	Dennis Libby	Cathy Stankard, Asst. Supt.
	Sara Nelson	Michael Lortie, GTA
	Susie Phillips	Ben Hinchler, Student Rep.
	Darryl Wright	Press

The Regular Meeting of the Gorham School Committee was called to order at 7:06 PM by Chairman Libby and the roll was called. There being no additions or corrections, the minutes of the Regular Meeting of May 13 and Special Meetings of April 29, May 13, May 27 and June 2, 2015 stood approved.

Public Comment

There was no public comment.

Communications

Mr. Sharp noted the following:

- Thank you to the Town Council and citizens of Gorham for supporting the school budget.
- Thirty eight summer curriculum projects have been submitted and approved.
- Congratulations to the Class of 2015! They are a very special group of young people.
- Kathy Garrard will give the School Committee an update on the Business Roundtable.
- Thank you to Jane Esty and Polly Brann for their many years of dedication to the children of Gorham. Enjoy your retirement!
- He also thanked the School Committee for their support over the years.

Mr. Burns noted that the class of 2015 is an impressive group of students and also thanked all of the staff that worked to make the commencement and project graduation such a success.

Ben Hinchler thanked the Project Graduation committee for providing a great night for the students. He also thanked the Superintendent and School Committee for the past year – he learned so much from them. He also noted that Mr. Record had recently informed the Student Council that dances at Gorham High School have been cancelled until further notice.

Mr. Doyle reported that he attended the Kindergarten, Grade 1 and Grade 2 musicals at Village School – they were all wonderful! Also, a thank you to Ted.

Mr. Wright congratulated our two student representatives. Graduation was impressive and the speeches were great!

Mr. Libby thanked the Town Council and citizens for supporting the school budget. He also thanked Jane Esty and Polly Brann and wished them well in retirement.

Mr. Libby thanked the two student representatives and presented them with a gift from the School Committee.

Mr. Libby also presented Mr. Sharp with a gift of appreciation from the School Committee.

School Committee Standing and Special Committees

Finance – Mr. Wright reported that the Finance committee met on May 26 and reviewed the FY15 budget, the CIP plan and the emergency replacement request for the bus destroyed in a fire. The committee meets again on June 22.

Policy – Mr. Doyle reported that the Policy committee met on May 25 and reviewed a number of policies that are on tonight's agenda for a second reading. The committee meets again on June 23.

Personnel – Ms. Nelson reported that the Personnel committee did not meet.

Vocational Education – Mr. Bailey reported that both PATHS and WRVC met at the end of May.

### Unfinished Business

Mr. Wright moved, seconded by Ms. Nelson to delete the Bloodborne Pathogens Policy (GBGAA). The motion passed 7 YES, 0 NO.

Mr. Wright moved, seconded by Mr. Burns to delete the Professional Staff Leave and Absences Policy (GCC). The motion passed 6 YES, 1 NO (Bailey).

Mr. Wright moved, seconded by Mr. Burns to adopt the Professional Staff Hiring Policy (GCF) as presented. The motion passed 7 YES, 0 NO.

Mr. Burns moved, seconded by Ms. Nelson to delete the Teacher Job Share Policy (GCGC). The motion passed 7 YES, 0 NO.

Mr. Bailey moved, seconded by Ms. Nelson to delete the Induction of New Teachers Policy (GCH). The motion passed 7 YES, 0 NO.

Ms. Elson move, seconded by Mr. Wright to delete the Credit Reimbursement Policy (GCIE). The motion passed 7 YES, 0 NO.

Mr. Burns moved, seconded by Mr. Bailey to delete the Professional Staff Assignments and Transfers Policy (GCK). The motion passed 7 YES, 0 NO.

### New Business

Mr. Wright moved, seconded by Mr. Burns to approve the MBCC negotiated contract as presented. The motion passed 5 YES, 2 NO (Doyle, Phillips).

Ms. Nelson moved, seconded by Mr. Burns to approve the SAA negotiated contract as presented. The motion passed 5 YES, 2 NO (Doyle, Phillips).

Mr. Wright moved, seconded by Ms. Nelson to appoint Courtney Smith as grade 4/5 teacher. The motion passed 7 YES, 0 NO.

Mr. Doyle move, seconded by Mr. Burns to appoint Heidi Topchik as a kindergarten teacher. The motion passed 7 YES, 0 NO.

Mr. Wright moved, seconded by Ms. Nelson to appoint Meghan O'Neil as a grade 1 teacher. The motion passed 7 YES, 0 NO.

Mr. Doyle moved, seconded by Mr. Wright to appoint Jennifer Precopio as a .80 elementary music teacher. The motion passed 7 YES, 0 NO.

There was a 1<sup>st</sup> Reading of the Nondiscrimination/Equal Opportunity and Affirmative Action Policy (AC).

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

