

GORHAM SCHOOL DEPARTMENT
Minutes of Regular Meeting
September 9, 2015

Present:	Kyle Bailey	Becky Fortier, Principal
	Tim Burns	Cynthia Remick, Principal
	John Doyle	Jodi Mezzanotte, Asst. Prin.
	Dennis Libby	Kate Rotroff, Dir. Adult Ed.
	Sara Nelson	Dennis Crowe, Dir. Technology
	Susie Phillips	Tim Spear, Athletic Dir.
	Darryl Wright	Michael Sanborn, SNP Dir.
	Heather Perry, Supt.	Norm Justice, Facilities/Transport.
	Cathy Stankard, Asst. Supt.	Hollis Cobb, Finance Officer
	Kathy Hamblen, Dir. Sp. Ser.	Michael Lortie, GTA
	Chris Record, Principal	Avery Arena, Student Rep.
	Robert Riley, Principal	Press
	Brian Porter, Principal	

The Regular Meeting of the Gorham School Committee was called to order at 7:02 PM by Chairman Libby and the roll was called. There being no corrections or additions the minutes of the Regular Meeting of June 10 and Special Meetings of June 10, June 17, July 28 and August 26, 2015 stood approved.

Public Comment

There was no public comment.

Communications/Reports

Superintendent Perry noted the following:

- MEA spring testing results are now posted and the SC will receive a full presentation in October.
- The annual MSMA Fall conference will be held on October 22 & 23. If anyone on the School Committee would like to attend, they should contact Rhonda.
- The old data management system is being replaced by “NEO”, and it’s been quite a learning curve.
- The FY15 audit has been completed and we’re just waiting for the final report and presentation to the SC.
- Due to unexpected kindergarten enrollments at Great Falls and Narragansett, we have hired two one-year ed techs to work with the kindergarten teachers.
- The PBL transition funds have been renewed by the DOE for another year. These funds are not part of the EPS funding formula and are treated separately from the general fund.
- Fall athletic programs are in full swing.
- All Open House and other important dates are posted on the Gorham schools website.
- The fall Jumpstart program has begun in all the elementary schools.
- The K-5 administrators will be discussing the DARE program currently used K-5.
- The K-5 schools will continue the “Count Me In” program again this year.
- GTA contract negotiations will begin soon.
- The Gorham School Department did purchase a couple of vans from the SEA.
- The DOE approved the emergency purchase of a new bus to replace the one destroyed in a fire earlier this year.
- School Committee 2015-2016 goals have been drafted for review.

Mr. Wright reported that he attended the Open Houses at Narragansett and the high school and thanked the administration and staff for putting them together.

Mr. Doyle noted that he will be moving out of the district and wanted to take the opportunity to thank everyone - he has enjoyed his time on the School Committee.

Mr. Libby officially welcomed Superintendent Perry to Gorham and introduced Avery Arena as the student representative. He also attended the open houses at the middle school and high school and very much appreciates the work involved.

Administrative Reports

Each of the Principals reported on the opening of school in their building.

Mr. Justice reported on the summer maintenance projects.

Ms. Stankard outlined the PBL work for 2015-2016.

School Committee Standing and Special Committees

Finance – Mr. Wright reported that the Finance committee met on July 27 and reviewed the purchase of the SEA vans, the emergency bus purchase and the CIP. The committee meets again on September 21.

Policy – Mr. Doyle reported that the Policy committee did not meet, but will meet on September 22 and prepare the Non-Discrimination and Affirmative Action Policy (AC) for a 2nd Reading.

Personnel – Ms. Nelson reported that the Personnel committee met earlier this evening and reviewed the charge to the Personnel committee, upcoming GTA negotiations and Superintendent and School Committee evaluations. The next meeting is scheduled for October 14.

Vocational Education – Mr. Bailey reported that the advisory committees have not met.

Sebago Education Alliance – Mr. Wright reported that they will meet on September 14.

Unfinished Business

Mr. Wright moved, seconded by Mr. Burns to approve the Superintendents 2015-2016 goals as presented. The motion passed 7 YES, 0 NO.

New Business

Mr. Wright moved, seconded by Mr. Bailey to appoint Cheryl Rainforth as a School Psychological Examiner. The motion passed 7 YES, 0 NO.

Mr. Doyle moved, seconded by Ms. Nelson to formally endorse the 2015-2016 PBL plan. The motion passed 7 YES, 0 NO.

Ms. Nelson moved, seconded by Mr. Burns to elect Darryl Wright to serve as this year's MSMA Delegate Assembly Member. The motion passed 7 YES, 0 NO.

There was a brief review and discussion of the ESEA application.

Mr. Wright moved, seconded by Mr. Burns to approve adding Massabesic High School to the Girls Ice Hockey Cooperative agreement between Gorham High School and Bonny Eagle High School as presented. The motion passed 7 YES, 0 NO.

Mr. Wright moved, seconded by Mr. Burns to appoint the following Schedule B personnel:

7 th Boys Soccer	Brett Brown
JV Volleyball	Athena Beaulieu
Football Asst.	Aaron Broaddus
V Girls Cross Country	Charles Ewers

The motion passed 7 YES, 0 NO.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 8:54 PM.