

GORHAM SCHOOL DEPARTMENT

Minutes of Regular Meeting

September 13, 2006

Present: Steve Caldwell John Drisko, Principal
 Jim Hager Brad Smith, Principal
 Jason Libby Dennis Duquette, Principal
 Dennis Libby Margaret Evans, Principal
 Roger Marchand Karen Rumery, Curriculum Dir.
 Janet Williams Ronnie Hanson, Dir. Sp. Ser.
 Ted Sharp, Supt. Kate Rotroff, GCVCE
 Paul Kelly, Bus. Man. Kelly Littlefield, GTA
 Brian Porter, Principal Press

Absent: Marie South

The Regular Meeting of the Gorham School Committee was called to order at 7:00 PM by Chairman Hager and the roll was called. There being no corrections or additions, the minutes of the Regular Meeting of June 21 and the Special Meetings of July 12, August 16 and August 30, 2006 stood approved.

Public Comment

There was no public comment.

Communications

Mr. Hager distributed his report to the Town Council and his opening remarks to the staff.

Administrative Report

Mr. Sharp mentioned a few items included in the agenda packet:

- *MSMA conference October 26 & 27
- *Sebago Alliance Dine & Discuss October 12
- *Program review schedule
- *Summer curriculum projects

Ms. Rumery reported on MEA testing.

School Committee Standing and Special Committees

Finance – Mr. Kelly reported that the Finance committee will meet on September 25 and will discuss the Central Office move and accounting software.

Policy – Mr. Marchand reported that the Policy committee will meet on September 27 and will discuss a Bullying policy.

Personnel – Mr. Caldwell reported that negotiations with the teachers are beginning and Dennis Libby and Ms. South will be participating in those.

Vocational Education – Mr. D. Libby reported that PATHS will meet on September 21 and will be discussing scheduling.

White Rock Project – Mr. Hager reported that the committee met on September 11th and will meet again on October 4. Mr. Keck will report on the community survey. A sub-committee on the educational portion of the construction project and a K-5 transition team has also been formed.

Naming of Facilities – Mr. Marchand reported that this committee will meet this month.

Unfinished Business

Mr. Sharp recently attended a conference on TABOR and will discuss the issue at a later date with the School Committee.

The Superintendent briefly outlined the Wellness recommendations/procedures. The policy was adopted during the summer and the administrators are now reviewing the recommendations/ procedures. Mr. Sharp recommends the School Committee also review these and discuss them at a workshop.

New Business

Mr. Hager reminded everyone that there is a lot of construction on Route 114 and it will have some impact on bus transportation. We're still looking for drivers!

There was a review of the District Core Beliefs and Teacher Core Competencies.

There was a brief discussion on the Citizenship Education Task Force: Civic Engagement Workshop.

Mr. Caldwell moved, seconded by Mr. Marchand to appoint the attached list of Schedule B & C personnel. The motion passed 6 YES, 0 NO.

Mr. Caldwell moved, seconded by Mr. D. Libby to approve the 3-year negotiated agreement with the administrators, as presented. The motion passed 6 YES, 0 NO.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 8:35 PM.