

GORHAM SCHOOL DEPARTMENT
Minutes of Regular Meeting
June 13, 2007

Present:	Steve Caldwell	Paul Kelly, Bus. Man.
	Jim Hager	John Drisko, Principal
	Jason Libby	Brian Porter, Principal
	Dennis Libby	Karen Rumery, Curriculum
	Roger Marchand	Brad Smith, Principal
	Marie South	Mark Fryover, Technology
	Janet Williams	Press
	Ted Sharp, Supt.	

The Regular Meeting of the Gorham School Committee was called to order at 7:05 PM by Chairman Hager and the roll was called. There being no additions or corrections, the minutes of the Regular Meeting of May 9 and the Special Meeting of May 7, 2007 stood approved.

Public Comment

There was no public comment.

Communications/Reports

Mr. Sharp noted the following communications:

- parent letter of recognition for Mary Ellen Moon
- letter of recognition from Verrillo's to Mr. Drisko regarding the prom
- letter from the Kennedy's thanking everyone for the Bailey-Silcox dedication

Mr. Marchand attended the dedication of the GMS auditorium and thanked all those involved for a wonderful job!

Ms. South publicly acknowledged Mr. Kelly and thanked him for all of his time and hard work here in Gorham. It has been a pleasure and he will be missed. Thank you!

Mr. Dennis Libby attended Narragansett's Ice Cream Social, DARE graduation and went with the fifth graders to Gorham House. All great events!

Mr. Caldwell attended Adult Education graduation and, as always, was quite an experience. Congratulations to all the graduates!

Mr. Hager attended Gorham High School graduation and Project Graduation. Thank you to all involved for making both events such a success! He also wanted to thank Mr. Kelly for all that he has done for the Gorham School Department. It is very much appreciated.

Administrative Reports

Mr. Sharp reported the following:

- 25 summer curriculum workshops have been approved

- Guiding Principles of K-5 Transition in packet
- Administrators have established inservice schedule for next year
- GHS graduation was wonderful, the students well behaved
- GTA Retirement Dinner honored 5 retirees
- Little Falls Day Treatment program is proceeding, staff being hired

Mark Fryover briefly reviewed the Technology program.

School Committee Standing and Special Committees

Finance – Mr. Dennis Libby reported that the Finance committee met on May 21st and found that there are funds for the administrator’s pay increase and funds to repair the stage floor. The committee will meet again on June 25th.

Personnel - Ms. Williams reported that the Personnel committee has not met.

Policy – Mr. Jason Libby reported that the Policy committee met last month and reviewed the Drug and Alcohol policy. The 1st Reading of the Time Out Rooms and Therapeutic Restraint Policy (JKGA) is being taken off tonight’s agenda. The Policy committee would like to review it further.

Vocational Education – Mr. Dennis Libby reported that PATHS met on May 18th and WRVC met on May 24th.

White Rock Project – Mr. Hager reported that the committee met on June 6th and continues to look at property and the process is going a little slower than anticipated. The next meeting is scheduled for June 28th.

Unfinished Business

Mr. Jason Libby moved, seconded by Ms. Williams to adopt the Alcohol and Other Drug Use By Students Policy (JICH) as presented. The motion passed 7 YES, 0 NO.

New Business

Ms. South moved, seconded by Mr. Dennis Libby to approve Betsy Porada’s request for an unpaid childcare leave for the 2007-2008 school year. The motion passed 7 YES, 0 NO.

Mr. Dennis Libby moved, seconded by Ms. South to approve JoAnn Smith’s request for a 2/5 unpaid leave for the 2007-2008 school year. The motion passed 7 YES, 0 NO.

Ms. South moved, seconded by Mr. Dennis Libby to approve Michael Levine’s request for a 1/5 unpaid leave for the 2007-2008 school year. The motion passed 7 YES, 0 NO.

There was a 1st Reading of the Records Retention Policy (EHB).

The Superintendent gave a brief update on School Consolidation.

Ms. South moved, seconded by Mr. Marchand to appoint Charles Tryder as Assistant Principal at Gorham High School. The motion passed 7 YES, 0 NO.

Ms. South moved, seconded by Ms. Williams to appoint the following personnel:

Erika Ouellette-Vigneault	Learning Strategist
Jonathan Werner	HS English
Jason Lambert	7 th Social Studies
Aaron Ouellet	7 th Math/Science
Stephanie O'Donnell	Grade 1
Carrie Sturgis	½ Kindergarten

The motion passed 7 YES, 0 NO.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 8:45 PM.