

GORHAM SCHOOL DEPARTMENT

Minutes of Regular Meeting

November 14, 2007

Present:	Steve Caldwell	Brian Porter, Principal
	Kyle Currier	Bob Riley, Principal
	Jim Hager	Margaret Evans, Principal
	Dennis Libby	John Drisko, Principal
	Roger Marchand	Brad Smith, Principal
	Marie South	Karen Rumery, Curriculum
	Janet Williams	Ronnie Hanson, Dir. Sp. Ser.
	Ted Sharp, Supt.	Kate Rotroff, GCVCE
	Leighton O'Connor, Bus. Man.	

The Regular Meeting of the Gorham School Committee was called to order at 8:00 PM by Chairman Hager and the roll was called. There being no additions or corrections, the minutes of the Regular Meeting of October 10 and the Special Meeting of October 24, 2007 stood approved.

Superintendent Sharp then asked for nominations for Chairman. Ms. South nominated Jim Hager as Chairman and Dennis Libby as Vice Chairman. There were no other nominations. The motion passed 6 YES, 0 NO, 1 ABSTENTION (Caldwell).

Sub-committee assignments are being determined and will be in place by November 28th.

Public Comment

There was no public comment.

Communications

Mr. Sharp reported that, as required by the new consolidation law, we will be submitting an Alternative Plan to the Department of Education by December 1st and the School Department continues discussions with the Town on collaboration of some services

Administrative Reports

Brian Porter, Margaret Evans and Brad Smith reported on the K-5 Wellness program.

School Committee Standing and Special Committees

Finance - Mr. Libby reported that the Finance committee met on October 22 and received a FY08 Budget update and is preparing for the annual audit meeting.

Policy – Mr. Marchand reported that the Policy committee met on October 25 and reviewed the Time Out Rooms and Therapeutic Restraint Policy and the Reintegration of Students from Correctional Facilities Policy, both of which are on the agenda tonight for a first reading.

Personnel – Ms. Williams reported that the Personnel committee has not met, but is in the process of scheduling a meeting.

Vocational Education – Mr. Libby reported that WRVC met today and began looking at the capital equipment requests and added a December meeting to continue those discussions. They will be piloting a new Heavy Equipment Operators class beginning in January. The PATHS advisory committee will meet tomorrow.

White Rock Project – Mr. Hager reported that the committee continues to work on the site selection – with the hope of finding a site in the north Gorham area. The committee meets again on December 5th.

Unfinished Business

Dennis Libby, Roger Marchand and Janet Williams attended the recent MSMA Fall Conference and will share that information at the next meeting.

The School Committee received the Superintendent’s 06-07 goals and a draft of the 07-08 goals for review and discussion on November 28th.

New Business

Ms. South moved, seconded by Mr. Libby to appoint Linda Townsend as a Special Education teacher at the Gorham Middle School (1 YR). The motion passed 7 YES, 0 NO

Ms. South moved, seconded by Mr. Libby to appoint the following Schedule B & C personnel:

Village - SBR Staff Dev	Rolande Paolino/Stacey Sawyer/Laurie Tibbetts
Village - Wellness	Kay Wilkins
9 th Girls Basketball	Aaron Ouellet
MS Indoor Track	John Wilkinson
MS Indoor Track Asst.	Kim Bennett

The motion passed 7 YES, 0 NO.

There was a 1st Reading of the Time Out Rooms and Therapeutic Restraint Policy (JKGA) and the Reintegration of Students From Correctional Facilities Policy (JLDBG).

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 8:53 PM.