

GORHAM SCHOOL DEPARTMENT

Minutes of Regular Meeting

December 12, 2007

Present:	Steve Caldwell	Brian Porter, Principal
	Kyle Currier	Brad Smith, Principal
	Dennis Libby	Margaret Evans, Principal
	Roger Marchand	Ronnie Hanson, Dir. Sp. Ser
	Marie South	Kate Rotroff, GCVCE
	Janet Williams	Gerry Durgin, Athletics
	Ted Sharp, Supt.	Polly Brann, Asst. Principal
	Leighton O'Connor, Bus. Man.	Ellen Mazuzan, Teacher
	Bob Riley, Principal	Students

Absent: Jim Hager

The Regular Meeting of the Gorham School Committee was called to order at 7:00 PM by Vice Chairman Libby and the roll was called. There being no corrections or additions, the minutes of the Regular Meeting of November 14 and the Special Meetings of November 14 and November 28, 2007 stood approved.

The School Committee recognized and congratulated the Gorham High School Girls Soccer team on their fourth consecutive Class A State Championship and David Gushee on his Class A State Golf Championship.

Public Report

There was no public report.

Communications

Mr. Sharp noted the following:

- The Dine & Discuss will be rescheduled.
- All Gorham schools are off AYP, in safe harbor.
- Gorham's Alternative Plan was filed in Augusta by December 1.

Mr. Caldwell thanked all of Gorham's coaches and reminded everyone how fortunate the district is to have these people. It's a great tribute to them that the teams are doing so well, but more importantly, these students are becoming good citizens. They are a positive influence.

Administrative Reports

Margaret Evans, Brian Porter, Polly Brann and Ellen Mazuzan reported on Gorham's School/Home Partnerships.

School Committee Standing and Special Committees

Finance – Mr. Libby reported that the Finance committee met on November 19 and reviewed the annual audit and FY08 YTD. They will meet again on December 17.

Policy – Mr. Marchand reported that the Policy committee did not meet, but will meet on January 23. There are two items on tonight’s agenda for a second reading.

Personnel – Mr. Caldwell reported that the Personnel committee did not meet.

Vocational Education – Mr. Libby reported that WRVC met today and discussed changes in bylaws, timing of budget approvals and the need to educate town councils on vocational education. They will meet again on January 24. PATHS will meet tomorrow, December 13.

White Rock Project – Mr. Libby reported that the committee presented two possible sites to the Planning Board on December 10th. The committee is still waiting for the second appraisal on the second site. The committee will meet again on January 2.

Unfinished Business

Ms. South moved, seconded by Mr. Caldwell to adopt the Time Out Rooms and Therapeutic Restraint Policy (JKGA) as presented. The motion passed 6 YES, 0 NO.

Ms. South moved, seconded by Mr. Marchand to adopt the Reintegration of Students from Correctional Facilities Policy (JLDBG) as presented. The motion passed 6 YES, 0 NO.

Mr. Marchand moved, seconded by Ms. South to adopt the 2007-2008 School Committee Goals as presented. The motion passed 6 YES, 0 NO.

Ms. South moved, seconded by Mr. Marchand to adopt the Superintendent’s Goals as presented. The motion passed 6 YES, 0 NO.

New Business

Ms. South moved, seconded by Ms. Williams to elect Ted Sharp as Superintendent of Schools for the 2008-2009 school year. The motion passed 6 YES, 0 NO.

The School Committee reviewed the proposed 2008-2009 school calendar.

Mr. Caldwell moved, seconded by Mr. Marchand to appoint Eric Tanguay as Boys Ice Hockey Assistant. The motion passed 6 YES, 0 NO.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 8:26 PM.