

GORHAM SCHOOL DEPARTMENT

Minutes of Regular Meeting

March 19, 2008

Present: Steve Caldwell Leighton O'Connor, Bus. Man.
 Kyle Currier John Drisko, Principal
 Jim Hager Margaret Evans, Principal
 Dennis Libby Brad Smith, Principal
 Roger Marchand Kate Rotroff, GCVCE
 Janet Williams Teachers/Students
 Ted Sharp, Supt. 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. With corrections, the minutes of the Special Meetings of January 3, 23, February 7, 27 and the Regular Meeting of January 9, 2008 stood approved.

Public Comment

There was no public comment.

Administrative Reports

- GHS Key Club gave a presentation.
- Jodi Lemieux gave a Financial Literacy presentation.
- Teachers and students reviewed the GHS Advanced Placement Program

Communications/Reports

Mr. Sharp noted the following:

- John Drisko's letter of resignation
- letter from the Commissioner regarding graduation
- retirement of Kevin Jenkins, HS Math
- new GHS Principal search has begun

Ms. Williams briefly reported on the Gorham Educational Foundation.

School Committee Standing and Special Committees

Finance – Mr. Libby reported that the Finance committee met on March 17 and reviewed the monthly reports and the School Nutrition Program. They will meet again on April 28.

Policy – Mr. Marchand reported that the Policy committee met on February 27 and reviewed three policies in preparation for a first reading: Compulsory Attendance, Truancy, Reporting Child Abuse and Neglect. They will meet again on March 26.

Personnel – Mr. Caldwell reported that the Personnel committee met earlier this evening and reviewed staffing updates.

Vocational Education - Mr. Libby reported that PATHS met on February 14 and reviewed programs. WRVC has not met, but will meet on May 1st.

White Rock Project – Mr. Hager reported that the committee met on March 5 and reviewed a matrix for certain items and will meet again on April 2. We do have a verbal purchase agreement on the property, which should be finalized very soon.

Unfinished Business

There was brief discussion on the FY09 School Budget.

New Business

Mr. Marchand moved, seconded by Mr. Caldwell to appoint Wayne Drown and Chris Barstow to the Recreation Advisory Committee. The motion passed 6 YES, 0 NO.

Ms. Currier moved, seconded by Mr. Marchand to approve the 1/5 unpaid leave of absence for Kim Fadrigon for the 2008-2009 school year. The motion passed 6 YES, 0 NO.

Ms. Williams moved, seconded by Mr. Marchand to approve an unpaid leave of absence for Sara Needleman for the 2008-2009 school year. The motion passed 6 YES, 0 NO.

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

JV Softball	Dawn Ross
7 th Boys Lacrosse	Dave Palmer
JV Girls Lacrosse	Eva Seiders
8 th Softball	Julio Santiago

The motion passed 6 YES, 0 NO.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 8:40 PM.