

GORHAM SCHOOL DEPARTMENT
Minutes of Regular Meeting
May 13, 2009

Present:	Kathy Garrard	Brian Porter, Principal
	Jim Hager	Brad Smith, Principal
	Dennis Libby	Margaret Evans, Principal
	Roger Marchand	Charlie Tryder, Asst. Principal
	Polly Shields	Katie Hawes, ISS Director
	Marie South	Sue Sedenka, Teacher
	Ted Sharp, Supt.	
	Chris Record, Principal	

Absent: Kyle Currier

The Regular Meeting of the Gorham School Committee was called to order at 7:00 PM by Chairman Libby and the roll was called. With a correction, the minutes of the Regular Meeting of April 8 and the Special Meetings of April 15 and April 29, 2009 stood approved.

Public Comment

There was no public comment.

Communications/Reports

Mr. Sharp noted the following:

- The ad hoc “Play to Participate” committee will meet on May 28.
- Status of the Budget and Stimulus money remains unchanged at this time.
- Copy of State revenue projections were handed out.
- We are still evaluating the MLTI vs. “Gorham Plan”.
- Senior internships will be starting May 18.
- The latest information on H1N1 is up on our web site.

Mr. Hager reminded everyone that GHS graduation is Sunday, June 7, 1:00 at Merrill Auditorium.

Mr. Marchand congratulated GHS students Kara Brown, Kathleen Shevenell and Kyle Willis for their many, hours of volunteer work! He also noted that WCSH did a news item about “GNN Television” at Gorham Middle School. Congratulations to all of those students.

Ms. Garrard reported that the Gorham Educational Foundation received many grant applications – all of which were well written and thought out. Those will be reviewed and awarded soon.

Mr. Libby read a letter written by Mr. Record in response to the Public Comment by Suzanne Ennis regarding the Pledge of Allegiance.

Administrative Reports

Chris Record and Charlie Tryder reported on the status of the GHS Advisory Program.

Margaret Evans, Brad Smith and Sue Sedenka reviewed the reading Street Program.

School Committee Standing and Special Committees

Finance – Mr. Hager reported that the Finance committee met on April 13 and reviewed the audit and the FY09 budget year-to-date. They will meet again on May 18.

Policy – Mr. Marchand reported that the Policy committee met on April 15 and May 11 to work on the Facilities Use and Transportation policies. The Facilities Use policy will be on the agenda in June, but the committee has decided to wait on the Transportation policy until further study can be done.

Personnel – Ms. South reported that the Personnel committee met earlier tonight and was updated on the SAA and MBCC negotiations.

Vocational Education – PATHS graduation is May 15 and WRVC Awards Ceremony is May 21.

New Elementary School Project – Mr. Hager reported that the committee met on May 6 and received updates from PDT and will be getting new schematics. They will meet again on June 3.

New Business

Mr. Hager moved, seconded by Ms. South to appoint the following probationary teachers:

1st Year Probationary going to 2nd Year

Jessica Beaulieu
Larilee English
Tim O'Connor
Kathy Pizzo
Laurie Sibley
Josie Tierney-Fife

2nd Year Probationary going to Continuing

Barbara Avery
Debra Beckwith
Mark Churchill
Sarah Drury
Gail Kelley
Jason Lambert
Aaron Ouellet
Erika Ouellette-Vigneau
Sarah Rubin
Linda Townsend
Jonathan Werner
Dawn York

The motion passed 6 YES, 0 NO.

Ms. South moved, seconded by Ms. Shields to appoint the following Principals:

Chris Record	GHS Principal
Charlie Tryder	GHS Assistant Principal
Kim Slipp	GHS Assistant Principal
Bob Riley	GMS Principal
Susie Hanley	GMS Assistant Principal
Brian Porter	Village Principal
Jane Esty	Village Assistant Principal
Brad Smith	Narragansett Principal
Polly Brann	Narragansett Assistant Principal

The motion passed 6 YES, 0 NO.

Ms. South moved, seconded by Mr. Marchand to appoint Matthew Murray as a Music teacher at Gorham High School. The motion passed 6 YES, 0 NO.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 8:22 PM.