

GORHAM SCHOOL DEPARTMENT
Minutes of Regular Meeting
June 8, 2011

Present:	Kyle Currier	Brian Porter, Principal
	Kathy Garrard	Polly Brann, Principal
	Jim Hager	Jane Esty, Principal
	Dennis Libby	Chris Record, Principal
	Roger Marchand	Michael Lortie, GTA
	Polly Shields	Bob Bond, Teacher
	Ted Sharp, Supt.	Students & Parents

Absent: Janet Williams

The Regular Meeting of the Gorham School Committee was called to order at 7:03 PM by Chairman Libby and the roll was called. There being no corrections or additions, the minutes of the Regular Meeting of May 11, 2011 stood approved.

Public Comment

There was no public comment.

Communications

Gorham High School students gave an overview of their involvement with the Big Brothers/Big Sisters program.

Bob Bond, GHS teacher, and students reported on the Model UN program.

Mr. Sharp noted the following:

- K-5 Parent Forum was held on May 23. There was a good turn out and lots of good questions asked.
- The White Rock closing ceremony was very well attended, and was very family oriented. Many of the past principals and staff attended. Special thanks to Polly Brann and Jodi Mezzanotte for putting the program together.
- We are interviewing and finalizing staff for next year.

Mr. Marchand reported that he attended the Adult Education graduation and, as always, it was a wonderful experience.

Mr. Libby reminded everyone that June 14 is election day and encouraged everyone to vote. He also thanked Mrs. Williams for her willingness to help out and serve on the School Committee for the last few months. It was appreciated.

Administrative Report

Brian Porter, Polly Brann and Jane Esty reviewed the K-5 Transition Committee Report.

School Committee Standing and Special Committees

Finance – Ms. Currier reported that the Finance committee met on May 17 and reviewed the FY11 Budget year-to-date - which is on track. RKO has done a preliminary audit. The committee meets again on June 20.

Policy – The Policy committee did not meet.

Personnel – Ms. Garrard reported that the Personnel committee did not meet, but did finish up the SC Handbook.

Vocational Education – The committees did not meet.

Great Falls Elementary – Mr. Hager reported that the committee met on June 1. There is a small amount of local money still available and the committee is looking at some possible purchases. The committee meets again on July 6 at Great Falls

Unfinished Business

Mr. Sharp gave an update on the construction of the new Great Falls School. The construction is pretty much on schedule and he believes that the school will be ready for the start of school.

The FY12 Budget was approved by the Town Council and will be voted on by the public on June 14. Mr. Sharp thanked the Council for their continued support.

Ms. Garrard moved, seconded by Ms. Shields to approve the Swim Booster proposal as presented. The motion passed 6 YES, 0 NO.

New Business

Action on the Superintendent's Goals and the School Committee's Goals was tabled.

Mr. Hager moved, seconded by Mr. Marchand to appoint the Principals as presented. The motion passed 6 YES, 0 NO.

Ms. Currier moved, seconded by Mr. Hager to eliminate the Newspaper and Peer Helper Schedule B stipends at Gorham Middle School, due to inactivity. The motion passed 6 YES, 0 NO.

Mr. Hager moved, seconded by Ms. Currier to add the Civil Rights and National History Day stipends to the list of Middle School Schedule B stipends. The motion passed 6 YES, 0 NO.

Mr. Hager moved, seconded by Ms. Shields to adopt the One Act Play stipend the list of Gorham High School Schedule B stipends. The motion passed 5 YES, 1 NO (Garrard).

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 8:20 PM.