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TIMBERLANE REGIONAL SCHOOL BOARD
Atkinson, Danville, Plaistow, Sandown
New Hampshire

Regular Meeting
October 15, 2015
7:30 PM

SAU 55 Office
30 Greenough Road
Plaistow, NH

Call to Order

Madam Chair Steenson called this October 15, 2015 public meeting of the Timberlane Regional School Board to order at 7:30 pm. Roll call was taken.

Board Members Present: Mr. Bealo, Mr. Collins (8:30 pm), Mrs. Green, Mr. Sapia, Mrs. Sherman, Mr. Spero, Mrs. Steenson. **Not in attendance:** Mr. Blair and Mr. Ward

Administrators Present

Dr. Metzler, Superintendent of Schools
Ms. Deb Armfield, Executive Director of Curriculum, Assessment and Professional Learning
Mrs. Christi Michaud, Director of Data, Assessment and Accountability
Mr. Pedersen, Academic Dean of Science, Technology, Engineering and Math
Ms. Heather Roy, Assistant Principal of Student Services and Facilities
Mrs. Widman, Assistant Principal of Academics at TRHS

Timberlane Teachers Association

Mr. Lou Broad, President of TTA

Pledge of Allegiance

Madam Chair Steenson led the assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Delegates and Individuals (00:01:22)

Jordan DiTore reported students from Atkinson Academy are enjoying the start of the school year, and two fourth grade students have found Envision math challenging, but fun. Students reported they enjoyed a trip to the State House, and look forward to the Lip Sync at the Performing Arts Center (PAC) in November. French exchange students arrived at the high school, and the ski club is seeking members with the meets being held on Friday's in January and February.

Dr. Metzler informed the board the German American Partnership agenda item was removed due to a family emergency. He informed the board the agenda item would have addressed date changes for the trip to Germany. This was done in consideration of graduating seniors enrolled for this trip; he wanted to be sure all seniors were able to attend their graduation.

Motion: Mrs. Sherman motioned to approve the change of dates for the German trip with departure on June 13 and a return date of July 11, 2016. Mr. Sapia seconded. With no further discussion the motion passed by a unanimous vote of 6-0-0.

Current Business (00:09:00)

NHSBA Resolutions (00:09:01)

Mr. Bealo presented a proposed NHSBA resolution and rationale relative to educational funding and taxation. Board members voiced their opinion on the proposed resolution.

Motion: Mr. Bealo motioned to authorize the endorsement of the resolution and forward it the NHSBA

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Delegate Assembly for consideration. Mr. Sapia seconded. With no further discussion the motion failed by a vote of 3-3-0 (Mrs. Green, Mr. Spero and Mrs. Sherman opposed).

Early Graduation Candidates (00:21:17)

Ms. Roy informed the board of four seniors who will have enough credits to graduate in January 2016 and three juniors who will have completed enough credits to graduate June of 2016. She reviewed the process and school board policy on early graduation.

Science NECAP Results (00:26:37)

Mrs. Michaud and Mr. Pederson presented NECAP results on Science testing that was administered to 4th, 8th and 11th grade students in May of 2015. The board discussed the need for student skills in reading Science content and students' understanding of how the test will affect them personally.

Warrant Article Process (01:03:48)

Dr. Metzler provided information to the board regarding the timing and drafting of warrant articles. He outlined the need for the warrant articles to be finalized and posted by the last Monday in January. He reminded the board of article review and approval from legal and the DRA prior to being placed on the ballot. He cautioned the board that failure to obtain review and language approval from either could result in invalidating or having unintended consequences on an article's passage. The board will send all proposed warrant articles to Madam Chair Steenson by November 5, 2015 and schedule a work session thereafter to finalize any article(s). The board considered scheduling a work session on or about November 19, 2015 from 6:30 pm to 7:30 pm to work collaboratively in drafting warrant articles for the March ballot.

Administrators Report (01:26:04)

None

Personnel Report (01:26:08)

Dr. Metzler recommended accepting Angelica Mahoney, TRMS Speech Language Pathologist resignation and releasing from her 2015-2016 contract.

Motion: Mr. Sapia motioned to accept the resignation and release Angelica Mahoney from her contract. Mrs. Sherman seconded. The board members expressed their thoughts on the release of Mrs. Mahoney. With no further discussion the motion passed by a vote of 6-1-0 (Mrs. Green opposed).

Dr. Metzler recommended accepting the retirement of

- Betti Percival-Blouin Danville Technology Specialist (16 Years with the district)

Motion: Mrs. Sherman motioned to accept the retirement of Betti Percival-Blouin. Mr. Bealo seconded. With no further discussion the motion passed by a unanimous vote of 7-0-0.

Committee Reports (01:37:23)

Mr. Collins reported the Sandown Withdrawal Feasibility Study Committee (SWFSC) held a public hearing at the PAC on October 13, 2015. The committee presented their findings and the rationale for the unanimous committee vote that the withdrawal of Sandown from the TRSD was not suitable or feasible. The committee will send their report to the Department of Education.

Mr. Collins informed the board he attended a meeting this evening with the Sandown Board of Selectmen who voted in favor of writing a letter to the Department of Education stating they are in support of the SWFSC and not the minority report.

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Mrs. Sherman attended the Wellness Committee and informed the board they are working on their goals statement.

Capital Improvement Plan (01:39:32)

Mr. and Mrs. Sherman along with Mrs. Ellen Beckwith presented a proposed Capital Improvement Plan. They outlined the work they are doing with technology to incorporate the process into an electronic format. They discussed how the procedure incorporates departments and most committees and their involvement in the process. They reviewed the need for training and to expect the process will begin sometime after the vote in March 2016. The board expressed their appreciation for the work of the CIP committee.

Committee Goals (02:05:43)

Madam Chair Steenson reminded members to work on and submit for approval their committee goals.

Reports of the School Board (2:06:02)

Mr. Collins reported he was impressed with the residents of Sandown expressing the wishes of their town at the Board of Selectmen's meeting this evening. Mr. Sapia voiced his desire to move on now that the SWFSC has finished their study and reported all the information to the public.

Correspondence

All board members were presented the correspondence received since the last board meeting.

Vendor and Payroll

Vendor and payroll registers were signed by board members.

Minutes (02:08:24)

The minutes for the October 1, 2015 regular and non-public meeting minutes were presented to the board for approval.

Motion: Mrs. Green motioned to insert specific wording into a failed motion of the September 3, 2015 meeting "A discussion ensued regarding the possibility of launching legal action against an individual as it relates to a conflict of interest when retaining both Board of Selectman and Budget Committee positions, and she objected to the non-public session stating it was inappropriate and illegal." Mrs. Sherman seconded. With no further discussion the motion passed by a vote of 4-1-2 (Mrs. Steenson opposed and Mr. Collins and Mr. Bealo abstained).

Other Business (03:30:16)

With no further business Madam Chair Steenson adjourned the meeting at 10:50 pm.

Respectfully submitted,


Nancy Louiselle
School Board Clerk