

TIMBERLANE REGIONAL SCHOOL BOARD

Atkinson, Danville, Plaistow, Sandown

New Hampshire

Organizational Meeting

March 20, 2014

7:30 PM

SAU No 55

30 Greenough Road

Plaistow, NH

Call to Order

Dr. Metzler called this March 20, 2014 meeting of the Timberlane Regional School Board to order at 7:30 PM. Roll call was taken.

Board Members Present

Mr. Bealo, Mr. Blair, Mr. Collins, Mrs. Delfino, Mrs. Green, Mr. Mascola, Mrs. Sherman, Mrs. Steenson and Mr. Ward

Administrators Present

Dr. Metzler, Superintendent of Schools

Dr. Wilson, Assistant Superintendent

Mr. Stokinger, Business Administrator

Mrs. Armfield, Director of Professional Learning

Mr. Strainge, Director of Secondary Education

Mr. Mealey, Academic Dean of Attendance

Pledge

Dr. Metzler led the assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Election of Officers

Dr. Metzler requested nominations for the Chair position of the Timberlane Regional School Board for the ensuing school year.

Motion: Mr. Collins nominated Nancy Steenson for the office of School Board Chair. Mr. Mascola seconded. Having no further discussion the motion carried 9-0-0.

Madam Chair Steenson requested nominations for the Vice-Chair position of the Timberlane Regional School Board for the ensuing school year. **Motion: Mr. Collins nominated Kate Delfino for the office of School Board Vice-Chair. Mrs. Sherman seconded. Having no further discussion the motion carried by unanimous vote (9-0-0).**

School District Clerk

Lorna Walker is seeking re-appointment.

Motion: Mrs. Delfino nominated Lorna Walker as School District Clerk; Mr. Mascola seconded the motion. Having no further discussion the motion carried by unanimous vote (9-0-0).

Recording Secretary

Nancy Danahy is seeking re-appointment.

Motion: Mascola nominated Nancy Danahy as Recording Secretary; Mr. Collins seconded the motion. Having no further discussion the motion carried by a vote of (8-0-1) Mrs. Green abstained.

Treasurer

Paul Sullivan is seeking re-appointment.

Motion: Mr. Collins nominated Paul Sullivan as Treasurer; Mrs. Delfino seconded the motion. Having no further discussion the motion carried by a vote of (8-0-1) Mrs. Green abstained.

Assistant Treasurer

Lori Parrillo is seeking re-appointment.

Motion: Mr. Collins nominated Lori Parrillo as Assistant Treasurer; Mrs. Delfino seconded the motion. Having no further discussion the motion carried by a vote of (8-0-0) Mrs. Green abstained.

Attendance Officer

Dr. Metzler updated the board on the Attendance officer's position reporting in the past the Safety Resource Officer was appointed to this position, the district now has a Dean of Attendance. He asked the board how they wish to proceed.

Motion: Mr. Mascola nominated William Mealy as Attendance Officer; Mrs. Sherman seconded the motion. Having no further discussion the motion carried by a vote of (8-0-1) Mrs. Green abstained.

School Counsel

Recommendations were requested to appoint Soule, Leslie and Kidder as District counsel.

Motion: Mr. Collins motioned to appoint Soule, Leslie, Kidder as District counsel; Mr. Mascola seconded the motion. Having no further discussion the motion carried by a vote of (8-0-1) Mrs. Green abstained.

Bonding

Recommendations were requested to bond the treasurer and assistant treasurer in the amount of \$100,000.

Motion: Mrs. Delfino motioned to bond the treasurer and assistant treasurer in the amount of \$100,000; Mr. Bealo seconded the motion. Having no further discussion the motion carried by a vote of (8-0-1) Mrs. Green abstained.

Bank Depository

Recommendation to appoint TD Bank as the District bank.

Motion: Mrs. Collins motioned to appoint TD Bank as the District bank; Mr. Bealo seconded the motion. Having no further discussion the motion carried by unanimous vote (9-0-0).

Mr. Stokinger presented policy DFA INVESTMENTS which is to be reviewed on an annual basis per district auditors and TSA's. The policy will be presented to the policy committee first should there be any proposed changes otherwise; it will be considered for general review by the board.

Motion: Mrs. Collins motioned to reaffirm policy DFA Investments as written; Mr. Blair seconded the motion. Having no further discussion the motion carried by unanimous vote (9-0-0).

Madam Chair Steenson read in its entirety and requested that all board members sign the School Board Ethics Statements in accordance with Board policy BCA. The statements were provided to each board member and the signed statements were collected by Mrs. Danahy.

Mrs. Green stated her objection to signing the School Board Ethics Statement and refused to sign the document. She objected to the provision to take no private action to compromise the board's decisions. A discussion ensued.

Madam Chair Steenson read the Timberlane Regional School Board rules outlining the expectations, processes and communication model. Mrs. Green objected to items 5 and 7, she expressed her opinion and Madam Chair Steenson responded. The discussion centered on free speech and the communication model outlined as well as a board members opinion verses a united board voice once a vote is final.

Motion: Mrs. Collins motioned to adopt the Timberlane Regional School Board rules as written; Mr. Mascola seconded the motion. Having no further discussion the motion carried by a vote of (7-2-0) Mr. Bealo and Mrs. Green vote against the motion.

Meeting dates and times

Recommendation to hold school board meetings on the first and third Thursdays of the month at 7:30 pm at the Superintendent's office, waive the July and August meeting (unless needed), and to reserve the right to amend the meeting schedule as needed. Also, because the first Thursday in January 2015 is a holiday, it was recommended to hold meeting on the 8th and 22nd to retain two meetings that month.

Having no additional organizational matters, Madam Chair Steenson adjourned the meeting at 8:20 pm.

Respectfully submitted,



Nancy Danahy
Timberlane Regional School Board Clerk