

TIMBERLANE REGIONAL SCHOOL BOARD

Atkinson, Danville, Plaistow, Sandown
New Hampshire

Regular Meeting
March 20, 2014
7:30 PM

SAU No 55
30 Greenough Road
Plaistow, NH

Call to Order

Madam Chair Steenson called this March 20, 2014 meeting of the Timberlane Regional School Board to order at 8:30 pm.

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

Minutes (00:50.47)

The board reviewed and approved the March 6, 2014 public meeting minutes of the Timberlane Regional School Board. **The minutes were approved by general consent of the board. Mrs. Green abstained.**

Minutes Non-Public (00:56:56)

The board reviewed and approved the March 6, 2014 non-public meeting minutes of the Timberlane Regional School Board. **The minutes were approved by general consent of the board. Mrs. Green abstained.**

Delegations and Individuals (00:51:09)

Mr. Arthur Green of Sandown voiced his concerns regarding the default budget and the full day kindergarten program. He made two requests: for the board to take a vote for or against the full day kindergarten program and for the board to vote to reserve the surplus.

CURRENT BUSINESS

Review of Elections Results (00:58:19)

Madam Chair Steenson reviewed the voting results of the March 11, 2014 election. Dr. Metzler expressed his pleasure with the work the district is accomplishing and is looking forward to the upcoming year.

Hawaiian Exchange Trip (01:08:30)

Mr. Mealey presented a review of the proposed trip for students to Waialua School in Hawaii from April 24 through May 3, 2014. He outlined the schedule and community service projects proposed for the trip and requested the students be excused from school on April, 24, 2014. He noted their flight is scheduled at 6:15 am as well as that the following day of school is an early release day. Mrs. Green voiced her concern about the itinerary and suggested a specific changes.

Motion: Mr. Collins motioned to approve the Hawaiian trip on April 24 to May 3, 2014 for students with authorized excused absences on April 24 and 25, 2014. Mr. Ward seconded the motion. With no further discussion the motion passed by a vote of 8-1-0 (Mrs. Green opposed).

Citizens Advisory Committee Presentation/Survey (01:18:03)

Mrs. Delfino and Mrs. Sherman representing the school board on this committee introduced the committee members who have dedicated their time and efforts. They reviewed the committee's mission statement and outlined the work done by the committee. It is the recommendation of the committee that a benchmark survey of the community to enhance the district's efforts to communicate educates and inform the community. The team requested permission to continue its work through additional investigations and research in order to develop more detailed recommendation to the board.

Motion: Mr. Blair motioned to reaffirm the need for and authorize the Citizens Advisory Committee to remain intact for another year. Mr. Mascola seconded the motion. With no further discussion the motion passed by unanimous vote of 9-0-0.

Policies (01:34:29)

Mr. Mascola presented the following policies for a first reading:

- IHBF Homebound Instruction
- ECAC Vandalism

- EDCA Employee Use of Personal Electronic Devices
- EEAEC Student Conduct on School Buses
- JICC Student Conduct on School Buses
- JG Assignment of Students to Classes & Grade Levels
- JHC Student Early Release Precautions
- JICD Student Discipline and Due Process
- JKB Detention of Students

Motion: Mr. Collins motioned to accept following policies for a first reading.

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Mr. Blair seconded. A brief discussion outlining the process of policies as well as the Policy Committee's responsibilities were discussed. With no further discussion the motion passed by unanimous vote of 9-0-0.

Committee Assignments (01:51:10)

Madam Chair Steenson reviewed the school board committee assignment process; board members will review the mission and goals as well as scheduling commitments of each committee and then send their requests for specific committee membership to Madam Chair Steenson for consideration. Assignments are expected to be confirmed at the next school board meeting.

Board Training Options (01:54:00)

Options to attend New Hampshire School Board Association (NHSBA) training were discussed as well as who shall be included in the training. Dr. Metzler will provide to Madam Chair Steenson a list of subject ideas for the training from NHSBA and he also suggested Attorney Gordon Graham as a presenter. The board will consider the options.

School Board Evaluations (02:00:10)

Dr. Metzler presented the results of the school board evaluation and then recommended the board consider incorporating these results into board goals for the 2014-2015 school year.

Administrator's Report (02:09:53)

Dr. Metzler welcomed Mrs. Green of Sandown to the school board. He then updated the board on the coordinated efforts of all four towns in the recount of the ballots that will occur at 8 am, Saturday, March 22, 2014 at the middle school. The recount was for Article -6 TSSU contract. He reported the estimated the cost for this recount to be approximately \$5,000. He shared a scam alert that was reported to the Central Office and cautioned the public on the importance of reporting any unusual calls to their local police departments.

Personnel

None

Reports of the School Board (02:18:15)

Board members reported on activities and programs they attended. Mr. Bealo and Mrs. Delfino attended the Curriculum and Assessment Committee meeting in addition to the Community Relations Committee meeting with Mr. Collins. Madam Chair Steenson thanked the voters of all four towns.

Correspondence

The correspondence folder was reviewed by the board.

Vendor and Payroll Check Registers

Vendor and payroll registers have been signed by the board.

Other Business

Mrs. Green requested a detailed organizational chart as well as a detailed expenditures report depicting expenditures line item to date. She was instructed to submit these requests to Madam Chair Steenson so all board members will have the same information.

Motion: Mr. Bealo motioned to enter into a non-public session under RSA 91-A: 3, II paragraph (a) the dismissal, promotion, or compensation of any public employee or the disciplining of such employee, or the investigation of any charges against him or her and (c) matters which, if discussed in public, would likely affect adversely the reputation on any person. Mr. Blair seconded. The board was polled at 10:20 pm:

- **Bealo** **Yes**
- **Blair** **Yes**
- **Collins** **Yes**
- **Delfino** **Yes**
- **Green** **Yes**
- **Mascola** **Yes**
- **Sherman** **Yes**
- **Stenson** **Yes**
- **Ward** **Yes**

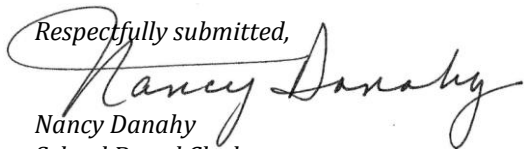
Motion: Mr. Mascola motioned to exit the non-public session; seconded by Mr. Collins the board was polled:

- **Bealo** **Yes**
- **Blair** **Yes**
- **Collins** **Yes**
- **Delfino** **Yes**
- **Green** **Yes**
- **Mascola** **Yes**
- **Sherman** **Yes**
- **Stenson** **Yes**
- **Ward** **Yes**

The board exited the non-public session at 10:50 pm. No action was taken in non-public session.

Having no further business before the board Madam Chair Steenson adjourned the meeting at 10:50 pm.

Respectfully submitted,



*Nancy Danahy
School Board Clerk*