

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

Regular Meeting
September 4, 2014
7:54 PM

SAU 55 Office
30 Greenough Road
Plaistow, NH

Call to Order

Madam Chair Steenson called this September 4, 2014 public meeting of the Timberlane Regional School Board to order at 7:54 PM. Roll call was taken.

Board Members Present

Mr. Bealo, Mr. Blair, Mr. Collins (7:56 pm), Mrs. Delfino, Mrs. Green, Mrs. Sherman, Mrs. Steenson, and Mr. Ward. Absent: Mr. Mascola

Administrators Present

Dr. Metzler, Superintendent of Schools
Mr. Stokinger, Business Administrator
Mrs. Armfield, Director of Curriculum, Assessment and Professional Learning K-12
Mrs. Rasicot, Director of Student Services
Mr. Woodworth, Principal of TRHS

Pledge of Allegiance

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

Minutes (00:01:20)

No minutes were available for consideration at this time.

Delegates and Individuals (00:01:26)

None

Current Business

Signs of Suicide (00:01:34)

Mrs. Binette, Mrs. McTague and Mr. Lena presented an overview of suicide prevention educational opportunities for the Timberlane staff. Dr. Metzler thanked the team for their dedication to students and staff; these team members are first to offer their professional guidance during emergency situations.

Early Graduation (00:14:02)

Mr. Woodworth presented a list of students he has approved for early graduation for January 2015 and June 2015. All students are in good standing and followed the proper process.

Superintendent's Goals (00:15:59)

Dr. Metzler presented his final draft of the Superintendent's goals for Timberlane for the 2014-15 school year. He reviewed each of the seven goals with the board and welcomed their input. Mrs. Green suggested an eighth goal for Dr. Metzler's consideration.

Mr. Collins arrived to the meeting at 7:56pm.

Motion: Mr. Collins motioned to approve Dr. Metzler's goals for the 2014-2015 school year as presented. Mr. Ward seconded. With no further discussion, the motion passed by a vote

of 6-1-1 (Mrs. Green opposed and Mr. Blair abstained).

New Hampshire School Board Association Resolutions (00:50:26)

Dr. Metzler reminded the board of their previous request for this process to begin in September. He continued that each member was provided a copy of the official "Call for Resolutions" in his/her packet. This item will be placed on future agendas until final action is taken. Madam Chair Steenson asked board members to email their ideas to her; she will present or ask the board member to present their resolutions for the board's consideration.

Administrators Report (00:55:19)

Dr. Metzler reported each of the four district towns is prepared for the mosquito season. At this time only Danville has tested positive for sick mosquitos (EEE in bird-biting mosquitos only). Spraying is scheduled for Friday. He informed the board of two donations received this past week. One anonymous for \$461 to be used for the Unified Sports Program approved by the board last week and a \$4,000 donation from New Balance. He explained that New Balance and the Timberlane Robotics Club are engaging in a partnership to increase the interest of students in pursuing the field of engineering. Students at Timberlane will be provided the opportunity to visit the New Balance facility and observe what New Balance engineers do on a daily basis.

Motion: Mr. Blair motioned to authorize the acceptance of the \$4,000 donation from New Balance. Mr. Bealo seconded. With no further discussion, the motion passed by a unanimous vote (8-0-0).

Dr. Metzler continued his report noting the summer project's list has been updated to include actual costs on many of the completed items. They are still waiting for a few numbers to complete the report. He reminded the public and the board of the upcoming facilities tours, with the first one scheduled for September 11 at 6pm beginning at the middle school then onto the PAC and finishing at the high school.

He presented the board with the job description for the Director of Data, Assessment and Accountability position. This position was created by eliminating and repurposing other administrative positions in the district.

Motion: Mrs. Green motioned to approve the salary range for the Director of Data, Assessment and Accountability in the range of \$80,000. Mr. Blair seconded. With no further discussion, the motion failed by a vote of 1-7-0 (Mrs. Green in favor).

Motion: Mr. Collins motioned to support the changes in administration and the Director Data, Assessment and Accountability position. Mrs. Delfino seconded. With no further discussion, the motion passed by a unanimous vote of 8-0-0.

Personnel (01:17:50)

Dr. Metzler recommended accepting the retirement request of Christine Smith, TRHS English teacher effective June 2015.

Motion: Mr. Blair motioned to accept the retirement of

- **Christine Smith TRHS English teacher**

Mr. Collins seconded. With no further discussion the motion passed by a unanimous vote (8-0-0).

Reports of the School Board (01:19:17)

Mr. Blair reported a Budget Committee meeting is scheduled for next week. He asked his fellow board members if there are any topics they wish to bring forward to the committee. Mrs. Green suggested the Budget Committee topics be added as an agenda item at the next School Board meeting whereas Mr. Blair could then provide this input to the Budget Committee. Mr. Bealo attended the Policy Committee meeting as did Mrs. Green and Mr. Collins. Mr. Collins also attended

the Capital Improvement Plan as did Madam Chair Steenson. Mrs. Sherman and Mrs. Delfino attended the Citizens Advisory Committee. Madam Chair Steenson reminded the public of the schedule of facilities tours throughout the district.

Correspondence (01:25:32)

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

Vendor and Payroll (01:25:36)

Vendor and payroll registers were signed by the board.

Other (01:25:42)

Mrs. Green inquired when the board can expect the Star assessment information after the evaluation is completed. Mrs. Armfield explained that once the assessments are completed by the students the Curriculum and Assessment Committee will review the data. She estimated the reports could be ready for the board in October. Mrs. Sherman explained how Camp Lincoln is used for team building for middle school students.

Having no further business before the board Madam Chair Steenson adjourned the meeting at 9:01 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Nancy Danahy
School Board Clerk