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

**Regular Meeting**  
**March 19, 2015**  
**8:20 PM**

**SAU 55 Office**  
**30 Greenough Road**  
**Plaistow, NH**

**Call to Order**

Madam Chair Steenson called this March 19, 2015 public meeting of the Timberlane Regional School Board to order at 8:20 PM.

**Board Members Present**

Mr. Bealo, Mr. Collins (11:00 PM), Mrs. Green, Mrs. Sherman, Mr. Spero, Mrs. Steenson, Mr. Ward and student representative Lucas Appleton.

**Board Members not in attendance**

Mr. Blair and Mr. Sapia

**Administrators Present**

Dr. Metzler, Superintendent of Schools  
Dr. Wilson, Assistant Superintendent  
Ms. Armfield, Exec. Director of Curriculum, Assessment and Professional Learning  
Mr. Stokinger, Business Administrator  
Mrs. Sandra Allaire, Academic Dean of Arts and Humanities  
Ms. Auger, Principal of Pollard School  
Mrs. Barcelos, Principal of Danville Elementary  
Mrs. Carlson, Dean of Math, Business and Information and Communication Technologies  
Mrs. Dayotis, Principal of Atkinson Academy  
Mr. Hughes, Director of Facilities  
Mr. Pederson, Academic Dean of Science, Technology, Engineering and Math  
Mrs. Pereira, District Trainer  
Mr. Rolph, Principal of Sandown Central  
Mr. Brian Shawley, Assistant Principal at Atkinson Academy  
Mr. Woodworth, Principal of TRHS

**Minutes (00:49:11)**

**Motion: Mrs. Green motioned to send the February 26, 2015 back to the recording secretary to have a narrative of the meeting enhanced. Mrs. Sherman seconded. A discussion ensued regarding the meeting minutes. With no further discussion the motion passed by vote of 3-2-1. (Mrs. Steenson and Mr. Ward opposed and Mr. Spero abstained.)**

The March 5, 2015 public and non-public meeting minutes were approved by general consent.

**Delegates and Individuals (01:15:27)**

**Cathy Gorman**, Sandown resident would like the board to consider organizing a committee for the consolidation of the Sandown schools.

**James Devine**, Sandown resident and Representative of Rockingham District #4 expressed his support of the

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Capital Improvement Committee.

**Cindy Bucu**, Sandown resident and Sandown Selectman expressed her support of the Capital Improvement Committee.

**Kim Farrah**, Danville resident and Danville Selectwoman, requested the Board consider moving forward with a Capital Improvement Plan committee to provide information to the Town of Danville for their impact fee study and feasible study of Sandown withdrawing from the regional school district.

### **Current Business**

#### **Election Results (01:23:11)**

Dr. Metzler reviewed the March 10th voting results.

#### **NYC Student Trip (01:27:38)**

Meaghan Guanci and Joshua Silveira requested permission for students of American Studies to travel to New York City on May 30, 2015. Luc Appleton expressed his support of this trip for students.

**Motion: Mr. Ward motioned to approve a student trip to New York City on May 30, 2015 for American Studies students. Mr. Spero seconded. With no further discussion the motion passed by unanimous vote of 6-0-0.**

#### **TRMS Transformers (01:35:35)**

Mr. Hughes provided an update to the board on the plan and time line to replace the transformers at the middle school.

#### **2016-2017 School Calendar (01:50:11)**

Ms. Armfield presented the proposed 2016-17 school calendar. **Motion: Mrs. Sherman motioned to approve the 2016-2017 school calendar as presented. Mr. Spero seconded. With no further discussion the motion passed by a unanimous vote of 6-0-0.**

#### **Science Curriculum (02:01:11)**

Ms. Carlson, Ms. Pereira and Mr. Pederson presented for a first reading of proposed science curriculum. **Motion: Mrs. Sherman motioned to approve the Science Curriculum as presented for first reading. Mr. Bealo seconded. With no further discussion the motion passed by a unanimous vote of 6-0-0.**

#### **Math Curriculum (02:15:44)**

Ms. Armfield, Mrs. Carlson, Ms. Pereira and Mr. Pederson presented for a second reading and adoption the proposed math curriculum. **Motion: Mrs. Sherman motioned to approve the math curriculum for a second reading and adoption. Mr. Spero seconded. With no further discussion the motion passed by a unanimous vote of 6-0-0.**

#### **Math Program (02:21:54)**

The board continued the discussion regarding the math curriculum/program and assessment. **Motion: Mrs. Sherman motioned to approve the purchase and implementation with a four year option for Envision for the cost of \$297,881.81. Mr. Spero seconded. With no further discussion the motion passed by a unanimous vote of 6-0-0.**

#### **Sandown Consolidation (02:58:22)**

Dr. Metzler informed the board an advisory committee was created at his direction to provide recommendations to him in how best to proceed with the consolidation of the two Sandown schools. He assured the board this committee will provide information that is in the best interest of the students, district and SPED programs. This

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committee will have the right to direct the needs and communication flow to and from the committee. Mrs. Armfield and Mr. Dube confirmed the committee's mission. **Motion: Mrs. Green motioned to request the board wait for a consolidation plan before the board votes to consolidate the Sandown schools. Mr. Ward seconded. With no further discussion the motion failed by a vote of 1-5-0. (Mrs. Green voted in favor.)**

Mr. Collins arrived. Several motions were presented and withdrawn.

**Motion: Mr. Bealo motioned to approve the consolidation of Sandown Central into Sandown North in anticipation of a comprehensive consolidation plan from the Superintendent with the assistance of the consolidation committee. Mrs. Sherman seconded. With no further discussion the motion passed by a vote of 6-1-0. (Mrs. Green opposed.)**

At this time due to the late hour of the meeting, the Strategic Plan, Wellness Committee and School Board Self-Evaluation items were moved to the next scheduled School Board meeting agenda on April 2, 2015.

#### **Administrators Report (03:22:31)**

Dr. Metzler updated the board on snow and ice concerns throughout the district and informed the board on a letter to parents regarding the Smarter Balance testing schedule. He then provided an update on the Getting Brighter Uno Fundraiser.

He presented a request from a middle school family to allow a student to remain at TRMS despite a recent move to Hampstead. Tuition would be due for two weeks since the cut-off date to continue without tuition is March 31, 2105. **Motion: Mr. Ward motioned to approve the middle school student remaining with the TRMS for the 2014-2015 school year and waive the tuition for the two week period. Mr. Collins seconded. With no further discussion the motion passed by a unanimous vote of 7-0-0.**

Dr. Metzler informed the board of his efforts to reach out to both 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade parents to provide feedback from parents considering sending their middle school students to another high school.

#### **Personnel Report (03:28:22)**

Dr. Metzler recommended accepting the resignations of:

- Tania Arndt TRHS Science (1 year with the District)
- Kyle Dostie TRHS Mathematics (3 years with the District)

**Motion: Mr. Ward motioned to accept the resignations of:**

- Tania Arndt TRHS Science (1 year with the District)
- Kyle Dostie TRHS Mathematics (3 years with the District)

**Mr. Spero seconded. With no further discussion the motion passed by a vote of 7-0-0.**

#### **Committee Reports (03:29:20)**

Mr. Collins would like the board to consider delaying the Capital Improvement Plan committee until decisions regarding Sandown are confirmed. A discussion ensued and Mr. Collins confirmed that he begin the process to organize the Capital Improvement Plan committee at the consensus of the board. Madam Chair Steenson reported on the Facilities and Curriculum committees.

#### **Reports of the School Board (03:53:35)**

None

#### **Correspondence (03:54:23)**

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All board members were presented the correspondence received since the last board meeting. Mrs. Green noted a letter from Sandown selectman requesting information on the withdrawal from the district study. **Motion: Mr. Green motioned to add the Sandown withdrawal plan on the next school board agenda. No second was received. The motion failed.**

### **Vendor and Payroll (03:59:17)**

Vendor and payroll registers were signed by the board.

### **Other Business (03:559:28)**

Madam Steenson reminded board members their choices for committee membership should be sent to her. A brief discussion on the NESDEC Special Education study with Dr. Metzler ensued as he is reviewing the continued membership with NESDEC. Mrs. Green inquired about the auditor's report, Mr. Stokinger noted that a few more information points are due before the auditors can wrap up the report. Mrs. Green inquired if the Foreign Language Elementary Studies will be continued for five years. Dr. Metzler confirmed the decision of the board was to extend this program for five years.

Dr. Metzler requested a non-public session under RSA 91-A:3 paragraph II (c) Matters which, if discussed in public, would likely affect adversely the reputation of any person.

The board was polled.

- Mr. Bealo Yes
- Mr. Collins Yes
- Mrs. Green Yes
- Mrs. Sherman Yes
- Mr. Spero Yes
- Mrs. Steenson Yes
- Mr. Ward Yes

The board entered into a non-public session at 11:47 PM

The board was polled to exit the non-public session.

- Mr. Bealo Yes
- Mr. Collins Yes
- Mrs. Green Yes
- Mrs. Sherman Yes
- Mr. Spero Yes
- Mrs. Steenson Yes
- Mr. Ward Yes

The board exited the non-public session at 12:20 PM

Having no further business before the board Madam Chair Steenson adjourned the meeting at 12:21 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Nancy Danahy  
School Board Clerk