

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

Regular Meeting
September 6, 2012
7:30 PM

SAU 55 Office
30 Greenough Road
Plaistow, NH

Call to Order

Chairman Collins called this September 6, 2012 meeting of the Timberlane Regional School Board to order at 7:30 PM. Roll call was taken.

Board Members Present

Mrs. Aubrey, Mr. Barczak, Mr. Bealo, Mr. Collins, Mrs. Delfino, Mrs. Kosta, Mr. Mascola, Mrs. Steenson, Mrs. Withee and student representative Mr. Brett Paley.

Administrators Present

Dr. Earl Metzler, Superintendent
Winfried Feneberg, Assistant Superintendent
Kelli Killen, Director of Elementary Education
Kristen Pereira, Curriculum Coordinator Elementary – Language Arts
Kathie Dayotis, Principal Atkinson Elementary School
Michelle Gaydos, Principal Pollard Elementary School

Pledge

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Mr. Collins expressed a warm welcome to Dr. Earl Metzler, the new Superintendent of Schools.

Minutes

Mr. Barczak made a motion to accept the minutes of June 21, 2012 (public) and August 16, 2012 (public and nonpublic) with corrections. Mr. Mascola seconded the motion.

Vote: Unanimous.

Delegations and Individuals

Kayleigh Larin, Student Council President gave a report on the upcoming events planned by the Student Council. She reported there will be a pancake breakfast fundraiser at Applebee's on September 23, 2012 from 8 to 10 am. Tickets are \$7.00 each. She also discussed which weekend to hold the homecoming celebration which will include a carnival, home football game and a dance.

Current Business

Opening of School Report

Mrs. Killen distributed a survey of reports from each school's principal regarding the opening day enrollment, issues, highlights, overall and comments. Overall all schools had a good opening day with no major problems.

Common Core Standards

Mrs. Killen, Shirley Toscano, Lynn Ouellette, Pam Dulong and Kristen Pereira were present to report the findings in comparing our current curriculum to the Common Core Standards. The Science, Reading, Writing curriculums were reported to be close to the CCS and could be revised slightly to be completely in line with the CCS. Math however was found to be not in line with the CCS. EveryDay Math had too many holes compared to the CCS which was not expected considering the company selling the EDM was promoting themselves as being in line with the CCS. Many teachers have volunteered to pilot new math curriculum to see if they are more appropriate programs for the District to use. The next step is to attend the next Curriculum Committee meeting to report on the findings and to make proposals for pilot programs this year to become prepared for the CCS. Results of the meeting with Curriculum Committee will be reported at the next school board meeting.

School Board Goals

Chairman Collins distributed a School Board Goals document which was reviewed and discussed at length. It was agreed through consensus this is a working document which will need revision from time to time.

Mrs. Kosta made a motion and was seconded by Mr. Bealo to accept the Goals, with corrections. Vote: Unanimous.

School Board Minutes

Chairman Collins suggested changing the format of the meeting minutes to a very brief version which keeps track of the topic, motions and voting, similar to what is done for non-public minutes. It was his opinion since all the meetings are on Vimeo that the dialogues in the minutes were unnecessary and subject to errors. It was agreed Mr. Collins will confer with Attorney Elwell to see if there are any legal ramifications to making a change like this and bring back the results to the next school board meeting.

Administrators Report

Dr. Metzler gave a brief description of his first week on the job. He reported very positive observations and interactions after visiting seven of the nine schools so far.

Personnel

Mr. Feneberg recommended approving the following nomination of Danielle Finigan, TRHS Special Education.

Motion: Mrs. Kosta motioned to approve the nomination of Danielle Finigan, TRHS Special Education. Mr. Mascola seconded. With no further discussion the motion carried with a unanimous vote 9-0-0.

Committee and Reports of the School Board

Mrs. Withee reported the first Facilities meeting will be held Tuesday September 11, 2012 at 8:30 am here at the SAU office. She also reported the Facilities tours have been schedule and the public is invited to attend. The first tour is on Thursday September 13 at 6pm starting at the Timberlane Middle School, moves on to the Timberlane PAC and finally the Timberlane High School. The second tour is on Thursday September 18, 2012 at 6 pm starting at the Atkinson Academy and then to the Pollard Elementary School. The last tour is on Tuesday September 27, 2012 at 6pm starting at the Sandown Central, moving to Sandown North and ending at the Danville Elementary School.

Mr. Mascola requested the Facility Tours flyer be sent home via the student shuttles to notify all the parents and also to place the notice on the TEN channel to reach as many families as possible; as a heads up to the upcoming budget season. The Board agreed by consensus.

Mr. Mascola reported attending the Policy Committee Meeting.

Mr. Barczak reported attending the Budget Committee Meeting.

Mrs. Steenson reported the Band Camp before school started was fabulous.

Mr. Bealo reported attending the Community Relations Meeting.

Mrs. Defino reported attending the Community Relations Committee and has a new assignment, the School Board Notes.

Mrs. Kosta reported attending the Professional Development Committee Meeting.

Mrs. Aubry reported attending the Facilities and Safety Meeting. She also thanked the Football Boosters and Mrs. David for all the work they do at the football games as well as David Augusta who is a business partnership.

Mr. Collins reported his son loves the new food service program.

Correspondence

None

Vendor and Payroll Check Registers

Done

Other

Having no further business before the board Chairman Collins adjourned the meeting at 9:12 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

*Kathy Smith
Secretary Pro Tem*