

Timberlane Regional School District Budget Committee
Atkinson, Danville, Plaistow, Sandown

Regular Budget Committee Meeting
September 9, 2010

SAU 30 Greenough Road
Plaistow, NH

Mrs. O'Neil opened the meeting at 8:05 p.m. following the facilities tours of the High School, Middle School and PAC.

Present: Ms. Rochford, Mr. Murray, Mr. Mullen, Mrs. O'Neil, Mr. Bouchard, Mr. Collins Mrs. Chaput and Mrs. Lisi.

Absent: Mr. Balanoff and Ms. Conte.

Administrators present: Mr. Stokinger, Business Administrator.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Mr. Collins made a motion to accept the minutes of May 13, 2010 and was seconded by Mr. Boucher.

Vote: Six in favor, two abstain, Mr. Murray and Mr. Collins.

Mr. Collins made a motion to accept the minutes of June 10, 2010 and was seconded by Ms. Rochford with amendments.

Vote: Six in favor, two abstain, Mrs. Lisi and Mrs. Chaput.

Mr. Collins made a motion to accept the minutes of June 24, 2010 and was seconded by Ms. Rochford with amendments.

Vote: Five in favor, three abstain, Mr. Collins, Mr. Murray and Mrs. O'Neil.

Mr. Collins reported on the last School Board meeting where Mr. LaSalle opened for discussion the possibility of revising the format of the joint budget presentations tentatively scheduled for October 14th and 28th. He asked the School Board Members if they would prefer to have a higher level meeting on the first night, with all departments presenting a very brief description of their requested budgets and then follow up on the 28th with a more in depth meeting of the requested departments present, for a question and answer night. After a brief discussion, the Budget Committee was in agreement to the revised format and asked Mr. Collins to let Mr. LaSalle and the School Board know of the Budget Committee agreement.

Mrs. O'Neil stated that she was quite impressed with the conditions of the facilities during the tour this evening and credited Mr. Hughes and his staff for doing a great job with what they had to work with. She stated the next facilities tour will be Tuesday September 14th at 6pm starting at Danville proceeding to Sandown North and finally to Sandown Central. The last tour is scheduled for Thursday September 23rd at 6pm at Pollard then finishing at Atkinson Academy.

Mr. Stokinger stated he was quite happy to see the large number of Budget Committee members who attended the facilities tour this evening. It was the best representation of Budget Committee Members on a facilities tour that he can ever remember.

The next Budget Committee meeting is a joint meeting with the School Board, scheduled for Thursday October 14th at the PAC at 7p.m.

Mr. Stokinger presented a proposed schedule of meeting dates for approval by the Budget Committee.

Mr. Bouchard made a motion and was seconded by Ms. Rochford to move the November 9th meeting to Wednesday November 10, 2010.
Vote: Unanimous.

Mr. Bouchard made a motion and was seconded by Mrs. Chaput to move the Thursday December 23rd meeting to Wednesday December 22.
Vote: Unanimous.

Mr. Bouchard asked if all the meetings going forward would be live. Mr. Zanello, who was present recording the meeting, said he would look into it and stated the Joint meetings are always live.

Mr. Stokinger stated he would post the meeting dates on the SharePoint site and two other locations per RSA requirements.

Mrs. O'Neil asked if Mr. Mullen still wanted to discuss the budget presentations since he had requested it be placed on the agenda, but was covered during the School Board Report? Mr. Mullen was satisfied with the new plan and did ask a few additional questions, such as when the proposed budget in total would be available. Mr. Stokinger explained that the process is just beginning and everything won't come together until the 1st of November.

Mrs. O'Neil reminded everyone the State training session for Budget Committees is on September 21, 2010 in Manchester.

Mr. Stokinger gave a brief tour of the new SharePoint site and stated that if the committee members were happy with the format, Mr. Holland would send out passwords for the parts of the site which are not public, such as the agenda packet area. Mr. Mullen asked if a link beside the meeting minutes could be added containing the video of that meeting.

Mr. Murray made a motion and was seconded by Mrs. Lisi to accept the TRSD Budget Committee SharePoint site as presented.
Vote: Unanimous.

Mrs. O'Neil asked if the other committee minutes such as Curriculum and Technology will be posted. Mr. Stokinger stated they would be and he would get additional information for her.

Mr. Stokinger stated the Facilities/Safety Meetings have been scheduled as follows:

September 14, 2010 (Facilities only)

October 19, 2010

December 14, 2010

February 15, 2010

April 12, 2010

June 7, 2010 (tentative)

Mr. Stokinger stated he will publicize all the other committee meeting dates so anyone who may want to attend can do so.

Ms. Rochford made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:55 pm and was seconded by Mrs. Chaput.

Vote: Unanimous.

Respectfully submitted:

Kathy Smith,

Recording Secretary

Approved 10/14/2010