

The regular meeting of the School Board was held on Tuesday, August 26, 2008 at 4:00 p.m. in the High School Library.

School Board members present were:

Kathy Ray, Chair
Patricia Brigham, Vice-Chair
Karen Burke
Rebecca Millett
Linda Winker

Student Representatives present:

Sara Friedman
Andrew Pezzullo

Alan H. Hawkins, Superintendent of Schools

School Board member unable to attend:

Peter Cotter

The meeting was called to order at 4:10 p.m. by Chairperson Kathy Ray.

1. Adjustments to Agenda - None

2. Approval of School Board Minutes

- **Regular Meeting held June 10, 2008** - Ms. Brigham made a motion that the School Board minutes for the meeting held on June 10, 2008 be approved. Ms. Burke seconded. (Approved 5-0)
- **Special Meeting held August 1, 2008** - Ms. Brigham made a motion that the School Board minutes for the meeting held on August 1, 2008 be approved. Ms. Winker seconded. (Approved 5-0)

3. Comments from Public On Non-Agenda Items - There were no comments from the public.

4. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

a. Update on resignations

- Thomas Sheehy, HS English teacher
- Eliza Eastman, Pond Cove Instructional Support teacher
- Kathleen Hamblen, HS Instructional Support strategist
- Amelia Armstrong-Poisson, Pond Cove educational technician
- Leah Jones, Pond Cove educational technician

b. Request for extended leave of absence

- Kristen Cobb, district occupational therapist

5. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- a. **Update and approval of summer hiring** – (see attachment) Ms. Millett made a motion to approve summer hiring. Ms. Brigham seconded. (Approved 5-0)

6. NEW BUSINESS

- a. **Consideration of request for leave of absence for district occupational therapist, Kristen Cobb.** - Superintendent Hawkins read Kristen Cobb's letter requesting a leave of absence following her medical leave through the end of the 2008-09 school year. Ms. Burke made a motion for approval. Ms. Brigham seconded. (Approved 5-0)
- b. **Consideration of High School Girls Cross Country Athletic Trip Request.** – HS Girls' Cross Country team to attend Ocean State Cross-Country Invitational in Rhode Island on September 26-27, 2008. Donation from Northeast Delta Dental and fundraising efforts expected to cover all costs. Ms. Brigham made a motion for approval. Ms. Winker seconded. (Approved 5-0)
- c. **Consideration of Middle School Rippleffect Program Trip Request.** – MSPA and families of participating students will share the cost for this educational experience. It was noted that the stipend for Kieve was removed. Ms. Millett made a motion to approve Rippleffect Trip for grade 7 students. Ms. Brigham seconded. (Approved 5-0)
- d. **Consideration of the Superintendent's recommendations to co-curricular fee positions for 2008-09.** – (see attachment) Ms. Millett made a motion for approval. Ms. Brigham seconded. (Approved 5-0)
- e. **Consideration of the Superintendent's recommendations to athletic fee positions for Fall 2008.** – (see attachment) It was noted that the golf coach position would be shared between William McGary and Nicholas Sansone, instead of Greg Sandell. Ms. Brigham made a motion for approval. Ms. Winker seconded. (Approved 5-0)
- f. **Consideration and action to approve a technology lease.** - Ms. Winker made a motion to approve the technology equipment lease in the amount of \$309,350. Ms. Brigham seconded. (Approved 5-0)
- g. **Consideration of approval to receive and spend all federal and state grants for the 2008-2009 school year.** - Ms. Brigham made a motion for approval. Ms. Winker seconded. (Approved 5-0)

7. Public Comment on Agenda Items – None

8. School Board Agenda Requests – None

9. Announcements of Upcoming Meetings – A change in date and time for the Extra-curricular meeting was noted.

- **Citizen Vote** on Tuesday, September 2
- **Personnel Committee** – Thursday, September 11 at 8 a.m. in the Jordan Conference Room.
- **Policy Committee** – Tuesday, September 16 at noon in the Jordan Conference Room.
- **Finance Committee** – Wednesday, September 24 at 8 a.m. in the Superintendent's Office.
- **Extra Curricular Committee** – Tuesday, September 2 ~~9~~ at ~~3:30pm~~ **7:30 a.m.** in the Jordan Conference Room.

- **School Board Meeting** –Workshop Meeting Tuesday, September 23 at 7 p.m. in the HS Library
- **Wellness Committee** – Monday, September 8, 3:15 p.m. in the Fire Station Meeting Room

10. Adjournment - Ms. Brigham made a motion for approval. Ms. Millett seconded.
(Approved 5-0) The meeting was adjourned at 5:11 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Alan H. Hawkins
Superintendent of Schools