

**STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE
SCHOOL ADMINISTRATIVE UNIT #86
BARNSTEAD SCHOOL BOARD**

MINUTES

Barnstead School Board
Tuesday, April 22, 2014
Barnstead Elementary School

I. CALL TO ORDER

Members Present: Diane Beijer, Chairperson
Eunice Landry, Member, Vice-Chairperson
Kathy Grillo, Member
Genevieve Michaud, Member
Maureen Fitzpatrick, Member

Others Present: John Fauci, Superintendent
Donna Clairmont, Business Administrator
Tim Rice, Principal
Scott Young, Assistant Principal
Misty Lowe, Director of Special Education
Members of the Faculty

Chairperson Beijer called the meeting to order at 6:04 PM in the Library of the Barnstead Elementary School.

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

All present rose to pledge allegiance to the flag.

III. AGENDA REVIEW

Additions to agenda:

1. Correspondence
2. Non-Public
3. Resignation

On a motion made by Ms. Fitzpatrick and seconded by Ms. Landry, the Board voted unanimously to approve the agenda as amended.

IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

On a motion made by Ms. Landry and seconded by Ms. Grillo, the Board voted unanimously to approve the Board Meeting minutes of March 25, 2014 as submitted.

V. PUBLIC INPUT

None

VI. BES ADMINISTRATION

A. Action Items

1. School Calendar

The Board was provided with a proposed school calendar for the 2014-2015 school year. This has been approved by BEA.

On a motion made by Ms. Grillo and seconded by Ms. Fitzpatrick, the Board voted unanimously to approve the 2014-2015 school year calendar as presented.

2. Leave of Absence

The Board was provided with a copy of a memo from Linda Croteau requesting a medical leave starting on 4/3/14.

On a motion made by Ms. Landry and seconded by Ms. Grillo, the Board voted unanimously to approve the request of Linda Croteau for medical leave starting on 4/3/14.

3. Short Term Substitute

Mr. Rice informed the Board that Anabelle Boyle has been hired as a short term sub replacing Linda Croteau.

On a motion made by Ms. Landry and seconded by Ms. Grillo, the Board voted unanimously to approve the recommendation of the Administration for Anabelle Boyle as a short term sub replacing Linda Croteau.

4. New Hire

Ms. Lowe provided information on Nichole Richard who has been hired as a paraprofessional. Ms. Richard has been subbing and doing an excellent job. This is a replacement position.

On a motion made by Ms. Landry and seconded by Ms. Grillo, the Board voted unanimously to approve the recommendation of the Administration for Nichole Richard as a paraprofessional.

5. Step-Up Graduation

Mr. Rice requested the date of Thursday, June 12th for the 8th grade Step-Up Graduation. The ceremony will take place at 6:30 PM in the BES Gymnasium.

On a motion made by Ms. Landry and seconded by Ms. Grillo, the Board voted unanimously to approve the date of Thursday, June 12th for the 8th grade Step-Up Graduation.

B. Information Items

1. BES Enrollment Update

Mr. Rice provided information indicating that as of 4/16/14 the enrollment was 504.

Mr. Rice informed the Board that the first phase of kindergarten screening was completed in March with 52 students signed up for next year. This will result in 17/18 per class. There was a discussion about what will happen if the numbers go up.

2. Congratulations

Mr. Rice noted that BES raised \$580.85 in Pennies for Patients. Ms. Couch's class raised the highest amount of more than \$80. He commended the students for a great job.

3. Literacy/Poetry Night

Mr. Rice informed the Board that Literacy/Poetry Night is scheduled for Wednesday, April 23rd from 5:30 – 7:00 PM. He encouraged Board members to join them in celebrating student work.

4. Upcoming Events

- a) 3-District Band Concert (Grades 4-8) – Thursday, May 15th at 6:30 at PMHS
- b) 3-District Chorus Concert (Grades 4-8) – Thursday, May 22nd at 6:30 at PMHS
- c) Memorial Day Celebration – Friday, May 23rd at 8:30.
- d) 5th Grade Nature's Classroom – Tuesday May 27th – Friday, May, 30th.
- e) 8th Grade Semi-Formal Dance – Friday, June 6th at 6:00 PM.
- f) Last day for Students – Friday, June 13th
- g) Last day for teachers – Tuesday, June 17th

5. Special Education Update

Ms. Lowe informed the Board that she has been doing a lot of interviewing. She has 6 great candidates for the Special Education Teacher position and is following up with references. There are also several Paraprofessional openings and she is interviewing for those as well.

VII. SAU ADMINISTRATION

A. Action Items

1. School Board Calendar

The Board was provided with the proposed calendar for School Board meetings for July 2104 – June 2015.

On a motion made by Ms. Landry and seconded by Ms. Grillo, the Board voted unanimously to approve the School Board calendar for July 2104 – June 2015.

2. Budget Transfers

Ms. Clairmont provided the current Expenditure Report as well as a list of requested budget transfers. She noted that some accounts on the expenditure report are showing negative balances and she believes this is a glitch in the system. She is working with Amy Burley to address this issue.

On a motion made by Ms. Landry and seconded by Ms. Grillo, the Board voted unanimously to approve the budget transfer requested dated April 17, 2014.

B. Information Items

1. Health/Dental Insurance Rates

Ms. Clairmont stated that our insurance rates came in at negative 7.6%, which is very good for us.

2. PMHS Enrollment

The Board was provided with a list of the PMHS enrollment. There are currently 532 students, 243 of which come from Barnstead.

3. Correspondence

The Board was provided a copy of a letter from the Board of Selectmen requesting the use of the Hannah Nutter property for sand and gravel.

There was a discussion about giving up this land when there is a discussion about dissolving the JMA. This land was purchased for the

purpose of building a Middle/High School and we may need it. In addition, the land currently has no access roads and putting in a road may change the drainage of the land.

On a motion made by Ms. Landry and seconded by Ms. Grillo, the Board voted against meeting with the Selectmen to discuss the use of the Hannah Nutter Property. The vote was 1 in favor (GM) and 4 opposed.

A written reply will be sent to the Selectmen.

VIII. COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS

A. Personnel & Policy:

Assigned to Ms. Michaud and Ms. Grillo

B. Building & Grounds:

Assigned to Ms. Beijer and Ms. Fitzpatrick

C. Finance:

Assigned to Ms. Beijer and Ms. Landry

D. Space Needs:

Assigned to Ms. Beijer and Ms. Fitzpatrick

E. Strategic Planning:

Assigned to Ms. Michaud and Ms. Grillo

IX. NEXT MEETING

The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, May 27, 2014 at 6:00 PM in the Media Center of the Barnstead Elementary School. The agenda will include:

1. Nominations
2. Summer Programming
3. Space Needs Surveys
4. Policy
5. 21st Century Grant
6. Administration Recommendations
7. Expenditure Report

X. PARAPROFESSIONAL NOMINATIONS

Mr. Rice provided a list of paraprofessionals for nomination.

On a motion made by Ms. Landry and seconded by Ms. Grillo, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Administration for Paraprofessional Nominations.

XI. PUBLIC INPUT (Second Session)

None

XII. ROBOTICS

It was noted that several Board members attended the sendoff for the PMHS Robotics Team going to Nationals. There was a discussion about how great the sendoff was and how to get elementary school children involved.

XIII. NON-PUBLIC SESSION

On a motion made by Ms. Landry and seconded by Ms. Grillo, the Board voted unanimously to enter into a Non-Public Session under the provisions of RSA 91-A: 3 II (c) at 6:56 PM.

XIV. ADJOURNMENT

Respectfully submitted,

Lynette Rose
Recording Secretary