

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

Regular Meeting  
February 24, 2005

SAU 55 Office  
Plaistow, NH

**Mrs. Champey called the meeting to order at 7:30 pm;**

**Roll call was taken:**

**Present:** Mrs. Aubrey, Mr. Baldwin, Mrs. Champey, Mrs. Hall, Mr. Luongo,  
Mr. Paone, Mr. Stack, Mrs. Withee

**Absent:** Mr. Brayall

Students from Mr. Pederson's science class lead the meeting in the Pledge of Alliance

**Administrators Present:**

Douglas McDonald, Ed.D, Superintendent  
Pete Taylor, Director of Facilities  
Keith Pfeifer, Director of Secondary Curriculum

**Approval of the Minutes**

On a motion by Mrs. Aubrey, seconded by Mr. Stack  
Voted: To approve the minutes of the January 13, 2005 meeting.  
Passed: Seven in favor, 1 abstained (Mrs. Hall)

On a motion by Mr. Stack, seconded by Mrs. Withee  
Voted: To approve the minutes of the February 3, 2005 meeting with the following corrections:  
Page two, Request from Town of Sandown, motion by Mrs. Aubrey; add to end of  
motion and change March 14, 2006, Town Election Day to a Professional Staff  
Development day.  
Passed: Unanimous

On a motion by Mrs. Aubrey, seconded by Mrs. Hall  
Voted: To approve the minutes of the February 10, 2005 Deliberative Session.  
Passed: Seven in favor, one abstained (Mr. Baldwin)

On a motion by Mrs. Aubrey, seconded by Mrs. Withee  
Voted: To approve the minutes of the February 10, 2005 special meeting.  
Passed: Seven in favor, one abstained (Mr. Baldwin)

A chair was presented to Mrs. Carole Hall in recognition of her service as school board member for the past twelve years, chairing the school board six of those years. Mrs. Champey noted Mrs. Hall's commitment to the children of the district. A picture was also presented in remembrance of her last school board membership.

Mrs. Aubrey thanked Mrs. Hall for her friendship and mentoring skills when Mrs. Aubrey first became a member of the school board. Mr. Stack thanked Mrs. Hall and noted her commitment above and beyond the call of duty. Mr. Paone thanked Mrs. Hall for her guidance when he first becomes a member of the school board. Mr. Baldwin thanked Mrs. Hall as a citizen of Atkinson for her years of service and her guidance upon becoming a member of the school board. Mrs. Withee thanked Mrs. Hall for her guidance, information and friendship. Dr. McDonald noted that

Mrs. Hall is one of the best members noting her commitment, time, efforts and always keeping the best interest of the children of this district first.

Mrs. Hall thanked all the members and students for the wonderful journey the school board has provided of the past twelve years.

**Delegations and Individuals** –None

**Current Business**

**Jeff Wedges and TRMS Student Leaders:** Due to a scheduling conflict this presentation will be re-scheduled.

**STEM (Saving Through Energy Management):** Mr. Pederson, TRHS Science Teacher and the students from his class presented their STEM project results. The students were presented with specific issues and asked to find an energy saving solution. Each group was required to show the proposed solution, calculate the energy savings and show the method used to figure the savings. Sponsors of this project were: TRSD, Wilson Educations Services, Dr. Pfeifer, Mr. Taylor, Mr. Hughes, Timberlane Science Department, TRSB, Unitil Power Company, Public Service of New Hampshire as well as the faculty at the high school. Mr. Taylor is organizing a similar project for the elementary students. Mr. Taylor then introduced Thomas Blair from Unitil, which thanked the School Board for their support. The school board asked questions and thanked the students.

On a motion by Mrs. Hall, seconded by Mrs. Aubrey

Voted: To move forward with STEM project by having the administrators and teachers review each solution presented by the students.

Passed: Unanimous

A break was taken 8:05 PM to present Carole Hall with a cake celebrating her retirement. The Chair called the meeting back to order at 8:20 PM.

**Proposed Calendar for school year 2005-2006:** Draft 4, the calendar was reviewed; Mrs. Aubrey noted November has two Thursdays in which the afternoon session will not be held. Dr. McDonald will discuss this point with Joean Griffin, Director of Elementary Curriculum. Mrs. Hall noted her objection of having school begin before Labor Day. Dr. McDonald noted this fact and clarified the only issue with the 2005-2006 calendar is the early release issue in November.

**Parking at TRHS** - A meeting with Marilyn Senter, Selectwomen, John Scranton Town Manager, Dan Garlington, Road Agent, and Stephen Savage, Chief of Police all of Plaistow as well as Mrs. Withee, Mr. Paone and Mr. Stack (all TRSB members from Plaistow) to discuss the parking ban put into effect on Cottonwood Road. This ban was put into place for safety, snow removal and the amount of debris being left behind. There are currently 331 parking spaces at the high school and 376 seniors. Three options for long-term solutions were discussed.

- Locate land for additional parking spaces
- Raise the parking fee for students
- Raise the GPA requirements for parking permit

This issue was deferred to Facilities Committee.

**Second Reading of Policies:** Reviewed the policies and noted the following;

- **AC-** Removal of the underline edits.
- **BAAA-** Dr. McDonald clarified the wording for a 2/3 vote to grant an exception rather than a simple majority vote.

- **GBCD**-School Board requested to remove “considered for” from the first paragraph labeled Criminal Records Check. Remove extra space between “investigation and into” in first line of the first paragraph as well as the space in the first line of the sixth paragraph between “procedures and relative”.
- **JEC**-Dr. McDonald clarified this policy
- **JLCB-R**- Remove the word “following” in the third sentence of the first paragraph.
- **JLCD**- Reprint policy to show entire wording

On a Motion by Mrs. Hall, seconded by Mrs. Aubrey

Voted: To accept the second reading of the Timberlane Regional School Board Policy revisions as recommended and amended.

Passed: Unanimous

The School Board discussed a communication letter that is sent to parents from the Middle School that will need to be revised.

### **Administrator Report:**

Dr. McDonald informed the public that the annual report is complete. Cathy Belcher did an excellent job putting the report together this year. Senator Morse informed Dr. McDonald that the bill for additional funding for mandatory Kindergarten was presented to the Senate and passed. The bill will now be presented to the House of Representatives. The Principal search for the Pollard School is moving forward the candidates should be ready to be presented to the School Board on March 10<sup>th</sup>.

The search for the Assistant Superintendent is also progressing, 21 candidates have applied, and 10 interviews are scheduled.

### **Personnel Report:**

Dr. McDonald presented the resignation from Leigh Buckley, TRHS-French Teacher who is not returning from childrearing leave of absence.

On a motion by Mrs. Hall, seconded by Mrs. Aubrey

Voted: To accept the resignation of Leigh Buckley

Passed: Unanimous

### **Committee Reports**

**Mrs. Withee** Pollard School Principal Search Committee has scheduled off-site visits on March 7 and 8, 2005.

**Mr. Stack** Curriculum and Assessment to meet next on April 13. Evening division has 159 students registered.

**Mrs. Hall** met with the Professional Development Committee, discussed course work for paraprofessionals. The next meeting is scheduled meeting will be held on Tuesday, March 8<sup>th</sup> at 3:15 pm at the SAU Board Room. This committee will need another School Board member to support their group, which meets the second Tuesday of each month.

**Mrs. Champey** –The next Facilities Safety committee meeting is scheduled for March 8 at 9:30 am at the SAU.

### **Reports of the School Board**

**Mrs. Aubrey** reported Sandown North School will offer Introduction to Spanish in mid-March at 7:45 am with a limited enrollment of 15 students.

**Mr. Luongo** attended the Maynard Ferguson and his Big Bop Nouveau Band concert, which was an excellent performance he noted students performed the Jazz ensemble that was an excellent performance.

**Mrs. Hall** extended her appreciation to Mr. Baldwin for driving her to the meeting this evening and also wanted to thank the community and the School Board for their support over the years.

**Mr. Stack** wanted to thank the district for their artwork displays at the SAU and commented what a wonderful job they had done.

**Mrs. Withee** reported on the Pollard School family math night and schools recognition of the PTA sponsors. She also spoke at the meeting about the warrant articles and voting. She will work with Dean Zanello of the TRHS Technology Department on the Pollard School web site. On February 24 the TRMS will host the medieval banquet.

**Mrs. Champey** urged the residents of the district to vote on March 8 stressing the importance of voting for the benefit of all the children of the district.

**Correspondence Folder** - Reviewed

**Vendor and Payroll Registers** - Reviewed

**Other Business** – None

On a motion by Mrs. Hall, seconded by Mrs. Aubrey

Voted: The meeting was adjourned at 9:30 pm

Passed: Unanimous

Respectfully submitted,

Nancy Danahy  
Recording Secretary