

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

Regular Meeting
April 21, 2005

SAU 55 Office
Plaistow, NH

Mr. Brayall called the meeting to order at 7:30 pm.

Roll call was taken

Present: Mrs. Aubrey, Mr. Brayall, Mrs. Champey, Mrs. Miller, Mr. Paone, Mr. Stack,

Absent: Mr. Baldwin, Mr. Luongo, Mrs. Withee

Administrators Present:

Dr. Douglas McDonald, Superintendent
George Stokinger, Business Administrator
Colleen Bovi, Director of Pupil Personnel
Sandra Hodgkins, Transportation Coordinator

Student Council members Erika Palleo and Kahley MacLeod led the meeting in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Approval of the Minutes

On a motion by Mr. Stack, seconded by Mr. Paone

Voted: To approve the minutes of the April 7, 2005 regular meeting with changes/additions as noted

Page 2, Current Business, line eleven, add a period after missed.

Page 2, Current Business, line twelve, remove "which" from sentence

Page 2, TRMS Technology Integration Proposal, line ten, add an "s" to finalist

Passed: Unanimous

Delegations and/or Individuals- Student Council member Kahley MacLeod reported "Damn Yankees" will be performed at the PAC on May 12 to 14. Spring sports have begun including, lacrosse, baseball and softball. The Senior Prom is scheduled for May 20 at the Atkinson Country Club. Battle of the Bands will be held on April 23; Maximum Velocity Show; a junior class fundraiser is scheduled for April 15th.

Erika Palleo reported the student council attended a conference in Somersworth and "Kids Night Out" was a success. "Big Buddy Little Buddy" is scheduled for May 18 at the Sandown Elementary School. Teacher appreciation day for all staff, janitors, secretaries and teachers will be scheduled as well the fundraiser "Kidnap a Teacher".

Current Business

Destination Imagination Teams- Three Destination Imagination teams are hoping to attend the World Finals in Tennessee. The "Big Bucks" Sandown Central team guided by Mrs. Gilman and Mrs. Sullivan explained their project and performed a cheer requesting "BIG BUCKS" in support of their trip to Tennessee. The High School teams also explained their projects and

summarized winning the regional competition in Goffstown, NH. They estimated the airfare and transportation costs in the range of \$8,850 and the room and board at approximately \$11,125. Dr. McDonald recommended sponsoring the airfare and transportation costs for the trip.

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

Voted: To support the Destination Imagination Teams trip to Tennessee by providing \$8,850 in estimated transportation costs.

Passed: Unanimous

Graduation Date- Dr. McDonald recommended the district schedule the graduation ceremony on June 10, 2005.

On a motion by Mr. Stack seconded by Mrs. Miller

Voted: To schedule graduation day for June 10, 2005.

Passed: Unanimous

Special Education Transportation Bids –Mr. Stokinger reported five companies were contacted for the bid process regarding the special education transportation contract. Three companies responded, two with competitive bids that he presented to the School Board. Mr. Stokinger recommended Safeway for the contract due to financial, current knowledge of the needs and past performance suggesting a three-year contract with a two-year option.

On a motion by Mr. Stack seconded by Mrs. Aubrey

Voted: To award Safeway a three year contact with a two year extension option for Special Education transportation as outlined in the bid process.

Passed: Unanimous

State Adequacy Aid – Mr. Stokinger reported the current State Adequacy Aid amounts that have be sent to the Senate for consideration. Mrs. Champey attended the Regional Selectmen meeting where it was conveyed that modifications are expected before a final amount is approved. A discussion ensued.

Mr. Stack attended the Plaistow Selectmen meeting and summarized the concerns on removing the parking ban on Cottonwood Road. Mr. Stack read the letter he presented to the meeting with the School Board's position regarding this issue. The Selectmen voted 3 to 2 to maintain the parking ban at this time. Dr. McDonald agreed that he would continue to seek alternative solutions to this issue.

Administrator Report –Mrs. Champey and Dr. McDonald will conduct workshops on May 10th from 8 to Noon in Concord, NH. Mrs. Lois Paul came in second for Language Arts Teacher of the Year. Congratulations to Mrs. Paul for that honor. TRHS Varsity Baseball team and the Exeter High School Baseball Team will travel to Cooperstown, NY for a trip that involves both teams touring the National Baseball Hall of Fame and playing a league game against each other on Doubleday Field. Professional Development information is enclosed in each School Board packet.

Personnel Report – Dr. McDonald advised the School Board that Timberlane Teachers Association has officially notified the Timberlane School Board of its intent and desire to

negotiate salary, related employee benefits and other matters in the collective bargaining agreement, which expires June 30, 2006. Dr. McDonald recommended the School Board approve contacting Attorney Michael Elwell regarding the negotiations.

On a motion by Mr. Paone, seconded by Mr. Stack

Voted: Dr. McDonald to contact and retain Atty. Michael Elwell for the negotiations with the TTA.

Passed: Unanimous

Dr. McDonald recommended we accept the resignation of Sara LeGault from the TRHS effective immediately.

On a motion by Mrs. Champey, seconded by Mr. Paone

Voted: To accept the resignation of Sara LeGault effective 4/21/05.

Passed: Unanimous

Dr. McDonald recommended the nomination of the following teachers for the 2005-06 school year:

Mary Eifler, TRHS Spanish teacher

Christine Lacourse, TRMS, French teacher

Stephen Signor, TRHS, Mathematics teacher

On a motion by Mr. Paone, seconded by Mr. Stack

Voted: To approve the recommended nominations as presented.

Passed: Unanimous

Committee Reports – Mr. Paone recommended the budgetary presentations by school principals and department administrators be presented in a combined meeting before the Budget Committee and School Board. Dr. McDonald also supported the joint budgetary meeting.

On a motion by Mrs. Champey, seconded by Mrs. Miller

Voted: At the invitation of the Budget Committee to attend a joint meeting for the budgetary presentations.

Passed: Unanimous

Mr. Stack reported the progress at the last Curriculum Committee meeting on the past goals of 2004-05 and the goals set for 2005-06 school year.

Mrs. Champey reported at the Safety Committee meeting discussed another survey of the staff for feedback in developing the goals for 2005/06 school year.

The telephone systems at the TRHS and TRMS have been discussed, the next step is an assessment of the options to move forward concerning additional telephone lines and or increased system capacity.

The emergency response team will meet again at the end of May at the PAC from 8:30 to 10:00 AM; all four towns should be in attendance.

The expected security audit software package is not ready for distribution. Don Bliss and UNH will have a security expert available to the TRSD to tour the schools and offer advice.

The School in need of improvement plan is on target and moving forward.

Mrs. Aubrey reported Elementary Transition Committee has scheduled the sixth grade teachers to meet with the fifth grade teachers so they can understand the transition from elementary to middle school. The staff will tighten up on the records transfer between schools.

Reports of the School Board – Mr. Paone attended the Lip Sync contest at the TRMS, all had a great time including “Elvis”.

Mrs. Champey attended the luncheon honoring Dr. McDonald as Music Administrator of the Year for his support of the arts. She also judged the Lip Sync contest at the TRMS and thought “Elvis” was the best. Founder’s Day was celebrated at Danville Elementary School.

Mrs. Miller attended the performance at the TRHS “Dancing from different countries” and enjoyed the show.

Mrs. Aubrey attended the string and band concert, the PTA meeting in Sandown Central and the volunteer tea that showed the appreciation for the volunteers. Sandown North students attended the invention convention. Ms. Jamie Huard (grade 1) won the special needs award for her safety helmet and Bella Lord (grade 2) won the environmental award for the straw filter and won the Steven Caney award, he will give her a copy of his soon to be published book on inventions and a \$100 gift certification to Home Depot. The NH Medical Society recognized Matthew Turner for his invention call the Radio Toothbrush. After school at Sandown Central Mr. Stone will offer a Science Club on Bridges.

Correspondence Folder – Reviewed

Vendor and Payroll Registers – Reviewed

Other Business –

On a motion by Mrs. Miller seconded by Mrs. Aubrey

Voted: The meeting was adjourned at 9:55 PM

Passed: Unanimous

Respectfully submitted,

Nancy Danahy
School Board Clerk