

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

Regular Meeting
March 15, 2007

SAU 55 Office
Plaistow, NH

Mr. Baldwin called the meeting to order at 7:45 PM

Roll call was taken

Present: Mrs. Aubrey, Mr. Baldwin, Mrs. Champey, Mrs. Kosta, Mr. Mascola, Mr. Paone, Mrs. Withee, Ms. Emily Weston

Absent: Mr. Brown, Mr. Luongo

Administrators Present

Mr. Richard LaSalle	Assistant Superintendent
Charles Coker	Director of Secondary Education
Michael Hogan	Principal of TRMS
George Stokinger	Business Administrator
Kathy Smith	Assistant Business Administrator
Nancy Hart	Principal of Danville Elementary

Approval of Minutes

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

- **Voted:** To approve the minutes of February 1, 2007 regular meeting.
- **Passed:** Unanimous

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

- **Voted:** To approve the minutes of February 8, 2007 Deliberative Session
- **Passed:** Unanimous

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

- **Voted:** To approve the minutes of February 1, 2007 special meeting following the Deliberative Session.
- **Passed:** Unanimous

On a motion by Mrs. Kosta, seconded by Mrs. Withee

- **Voted:** To approve the minutes of February 15, 2007 regular meeting.
- **Passed:** Seven in favor,
One abstention (Mrs. Aubrey)

Delegations and Individuals

Ms. Emily Weston reported Timberlane junior and senior students attended an assembly dedicated to remembering the Vietnam War and its veterans. The one man show displayed the stories of actual Vietnam veterans through true life encounters, poems, interpretive dance and children's books.

Winter sports have all come to a close, with successful seasons for all teams. The girls' basketball team entered the playoffs as the number one seeded team with an undefeated season record, but fell to Manchester Central. The varsity hockey team won their first round play off game, but fell to Oyster River in the second round. Six members of the Timberlane track and field team also competed in the New England Championship to end their season. Congratulations to all competitors.

Timberlane Players open their spring production of the *Crucible* tonight at 7 pm. The student newspaper, *The Scribe*, is selling tickets to their dance for Friday, March 15 and other fund raisers are in process.

Timberlane Student Council has had one of its busiest springs ever. Big Buddy Little Buddy letters have been sent out and high school students are anxious to hear from their buddies. Members of the Council visited the TRMS last week to introduce their organization to the incoming freshmen, applications will be collected from the middle school on Friday afternoon. Council members are looking forward to choosing future members. Scholarship fundraising will begin soon. Kid's Night Out is scheduled for Saturday, April 7th at the TRHS and various other events are under way as well.

Current Business

Eagle Scout Project Proposal – Sandown North

Louis Saviano proposed installing a shade canopy with picnic tables. The purpose of this project is to provide shade and a sitting area for students. It can also be utilized as an outdoor classroom. The cost of the proposed canopy is approximately \$6,000. Mr. Saviano would like to receive the TRSB's approval to begin this project, and he would then seek the approval of the Eagle Scout Board. Once approved Mr. Saviano would contact Mr. Hughes and others to assist in the purchasing of cement, equipment and construction of the shade canopy. It would be a summer project.

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

- **Voted:** To move forward with the proposed Eagle Scout project of constructing a shade canopy at Sandown North.
- **Passed:** Unanimous

Danville Playground Donation

Nancy Hart introduced Danville Elementary PTA members, Christine Collins, Suzanne Hughes and Kerri Bredbanner. She then recapped the three phrase playground project noting that phrase 1 is expected to cost \$23,129.00. As the result of many fundraisers and hard work they have raised \$23,000 and were awarded a HNH grant for \$5,000 to purchase specific pieces of playground equipment that are part of phrase 1. They are now ready to donate their hard earned funds and labor to Danville Elementary School to make the new playground a reality. Construction of the new playground is scheduled on Saturday, April 14th and the ribbon cutting ceremony to be held on April 18th. The team will work with Landscape Structures through O'Brien and Sons. Primex will be contacted to review the playground as part of the on going safety program. The TRSB complimented Danville Elementary PTA and all who helped for their hard work and dedication.

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

- **Voted:** To move forward and accept the gift of donations for the Danville playground project.
- **Passed:** Unanimous

TRMS Sign

Michael Hogan reported on the proposed sign project for the TRMS. The plan is to purchase a sign specifically designed for the TRMS. The message on the sign would be changed weekly by student groups. They also intend to spruce up the front area with a bench or knee wall and perennials. Stewart Signs has submitted a quote for the specially designed sign for the TRMS at a cost of \$5,795. Currently we have approximately \$4,700 from a Wal-Mart teacher scholarship and a memorial fund to pay for most of the project. The remainder will be raised through fundraising.

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

- **Voted:** To move forward with the TRMS sign project.
- **Passed:** Unanimous

Election Results

Mr. LaSalle reported on the results of the recent elections, thanking the public for their vote for Kindergarten. He noted that the TRMS SRO position failed by 39 votes. Mrs. Champey questioned if there are any solutions available to us to support the SRO position noting she feels it is an important position for the TRMS. It is important for the SAU office to contact Chief Savage and continue this conversation.

Federal Funding Authorization

Mr. LaSalle recommended the TRSB approve the authorization to sign Federal Project OBM forms 1,3, and 4 by the Superintendent (or in his absence, the Assistant Superintendent or Business Administrator).

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

- **Voted:** To authorize the Superintendent (or in his absence, the Assistant Superintendent or Business Administrator) to sign Federal Project OBM forms 1, 3, and 4.
- **Passed:** Unanimous

Strategic Planning

Mr. LaSalle recommended accepting Dr. Susan Auerbach's proposal for the strategic planning project which was accepted by the HSB at their March 6th meeting.

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

- **Voted:** To accept the proposed contract of Dr. Susan Auerbach for the strategic planning project.
- **Passed:** Unanimous

Policy Updates

Mr. LaSalle informed the TRSB that policies IF, IHBH, IHCD, and IMBC will need to be reviewed and discussed at the next scheduled meeting. No action is necessary at this time.

Administrator's Report

Mr. LaSalle reported that Kindergarten will need to be implemented in five months creating a large challenge. To start the challenge the ground breaking at Atkinson Academy is scheduled for Wednesday 3/21/07. Mr. LaSalle then discussed needs for Kindergarten noting staffing, policies, procedures, equipment, etc. He requested the plans for the Atkinson Academy renovations for Kindergarten be on public display at the SAU office for any interested residents of the district to review.

Since the Food Service Director is retiring in June of this year Mr. LaSalle suggested it is a perfect time to explore other opportunities for the food service program. Do we need to consider an outside vendor, make changes to the current program or hire another Director?

An invitation was extended to the TRSB members to evaluate Café Services at Hampstead schools and the Sanborn High School as a consideration for the Timberlane food service program. It was noted that an outside vendor service contract would provide a computer POS system, professional services and an annual renewal five year contract. Quality of the program is important to the district and staff decisions will need to be made, no action is required at this time. An RFP will be sent to all TRSB members for their review to be used as a valuable tools in this decision making process.

Personnel Report

Mr. LaSalle recommended accepting the resignations of the following, effective June 30, 2007;

Jessica Monson	District Speech Pathologist
Thomas Julian	TRHS Chemistry Teacher
Bruce May	TRHS SPED TEP
Steven Marchand	TRHS SPED

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

- **Voted:** To accept the resignations of the following employees effective June 30, 2007.

Jessica Monson	District Speech Pathologist
Thomas Julian	TRHS Chemistry Teacher
Bruce May	TRHS SPED TEP
Steven Marchand	TRHS SPED
- **Passed:** Unanimous

Committee Reports

Mrs. Kosta attended the Professional Development seminar given by Mr. Halloran, she thanked the Committee for their work on providing a well organized and full schedule for the Professional Development Day on March 13.

The Curriculum Committee met on March 14.

Mrs. Withee noted that the Facility meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, March 20th at the SAU office. Mr. Paone reported on the Committee Relations project regarding snow removal at the elementary schools. Mr. Paone, Mr. Brown and Mr. Mascola met with all the elementary principals and their head custodians. the next step is to meet with each town's Selectman to report on the project. One point he did want to note is that all snow blowers should be evaluated. Mrs. Champey noted that the Safety Committee meeting is scheduled for 3/29 at 8:30 AM at the SAU office.

Reports of School Board - Board members reported on their attendance at school activities.

Correspondence Folder - Done

Vendor and Payroll Registers - Done

Other Business

Mr. Paone wanted to report on the TRHS newspaper "The Scribe". After all their fund raising efforts they currently do not have enough money to produce the two scheduled issues this year. The cost would be approximately \$950.00 to fund those issues. Also Mr. Paone was concerned that students must raise funds to produce the 10 issues scheduled for next year with an approximate cost of \$5,000. Mr. Paone would like to have the two issues supported this year and the 10 issues next year. As well as adding a line item in the budget to accommodate future costs to produce the newspaper.

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

- **Voted:** To fund \$950 for two issues of "The Scribe" newspaper to be produced this school year and \$5,000 for 10 issues in the 2007-2008 school year with a line item added to the budget for future support.
- **Passed:** Unanimous

On a motion by Mr. Baldwin, second by Mrs. Kosta

- **Voted:** To go into non-public session: 91A: 3.II (c) reputation
- **Passed:** Unanimous

On a motion by Mr. Baldwin, second by Mrs. Aubrey

- **Voted:** Agreed to come out of non-public meeting at 11:00 PM
- **Passed:** Unanimous

No action was taken during non-public session

On a motion by Mrs. Aubrey, second by Mrs. Kosta

- **Voted:** Agreed to seal the minutes of the March 15, 2007 non-public session indefinitely.
- **Passed:** Unanimous

Mr. Baldwin adjourned the meeting at 11:00 PM

Respectfully submitted,

Nancy Danahy
School Board Clerk

