

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

Regular Meeting
December 21, 2006

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, Mr. Brown, Mrs. Champey, Mrs. Kosta, Mr. Luongo, Mr. Paone, Ms. Weston and Mrs. Withee

Absent: None

Administrators Present

Dr. McDonald	Superintendent
Richard LaSalle	Assistant Superintendent

Mr. Baldwin of Atkinson led the meeting in the Pledge of Allegiance

Approval of Minutes

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

- **Voted:** To approve the minutes of December 7, 2006 regular meeting with the following corrections
 - Page 1, Atkinson Vacancy, Change Mr. Zagarski to Zegarski
 - Page 2, Proposed Budget change discussed to discussion
 - Page 2, Kindergarten, second sentence, change "it is" to "the" and at the end of the third sentence add "by the fourth year".
 - Page 3, Strategic Planning Consultant, to read Dr. McDonald reported that SECESC and Dr. Susan Auerbach have been identified as consultants that would be available to the Strategic Planning Committee.
 - Page 4, Committee Reports, Third sentence change to "It was believed that the pricing has not changed since last year."
- **Passed:** Eight in Favor
 - One member abstained:
 - Mr. Baldwin

Delegations and Individuals

Emily Weston thanked the public for their donations to Toys-for-Tots and informed the public of other district fundraisers. Ms. Weston reported the wrestling team is scheduled for a meet on Saturday at home. She also thanked all the volunteers that helped with the Junior Semi-Formal and noted the Cheerleaders organized a collection for Toys-for-Tots on Saturday, December 16th. The Holiday Show at the PAC was sold out.

Current Business

Atkinson Vacancy

Mr. Baldwin and Mrs. Withee interviewed two candidates to fill the vacated TRSB Atkinson representative member position. Mr. Baldwin stated that both candidates were well-qualified, outstanding individuals. Mrs. Withee and Mrs. Baldwin recommended Mr. Michael Mascola to fill the Atkinson representative vacancy.

On a motion by Mrs. Withee, seconded by Mr. Baldwin

- **Voted:** To approve Michael Mascola of Atkinson, New Hampshire as the Atkinson representative to the TRSB until March of 2007.
- **Passed:** Unanimous

Ms. Linda Jette, Atkinson Town Clerk, administered the oath of office to Mr. Michael. The Board expressed their appreciation and thanked Mrs. Jette. Mr. Mascola informed the public that he has lived in Atkinson for 12 years with his wife and three children. He expressed his appreciation to work with the schools and for the opportunity to give back to the community.

Mrs. Champey discussed former TRSB member, Mrs. Miller's commitments to certain committees. Mr. Mascola agreed to assume the commitments to the Policy and the Curriculum & Assessment committees. Mr. Paone agreed to assume the responsibilities of Chairperson of the Community Relations & Liaison Committee and Mr. Mascola will be a member of that committee also.

Proposed Budget

Dr. McDonald reported the Budget Committee had requested he reduce the proposed budget by \$360,000, which he did. The proposed budget is now \$56,361,067.20 and the default budget is \$55,809,060. Dr. McDonald reported the positive meetings that occurred with the TRSB and the Budget Committee and how they worked together as a team.

Warrant Articles

Dr. McDonald discussed each article proposed on the 2007 Timberlane Regional School District Warrant. Mrs. Kosta noted that both Plaistow School Board Members would need to be elected, which was noted. Mr. Baldwin suggested a change to Article 4, he would like to change paragraph two, second sentence from "*The school district is eligible for*" to "*The school district will receive*" and add a hyphen in the final sentence "mid-day". Dr. McDonald reported that the Budget Committee is pleased with article 4 noting that it is no increase in taxes to voters.

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

- **Voted:** Agree to accept the 2007 TRSD Warrant with the noted changes;
 - **Article 1**, Election of officers, add Plaistow, School Board Member, 1 year term
 - **Article 4**, second paragraph, second sentence to read, The school district will receive and mid-day
- **Passed:** Unanimous

Education Adequacy Policy Bill

Dr. McDonald discussed RSA 193-E, Adequate Public Education and it's history. He informed the public that many bills are expected for consideration regarding this issue. Dr. McDonald reviewed the current proposed bill and the need to define adequate education.

January 18th meeting

Since two meetings are scheduled in January (regular TRSB meeting on January 4th and the special meeting after the Public Hearing on January 10) it was questioned if it is necessary to have the regular TRSB meeting scheduled for January 18. A discussion ensued. It was decided that this topic should be added to the agenda for the special meeting held after the public hearing.

Director of Pupil Personnel

It was noted that the same process used in the search for Assistant Superintendent would be used in the search for the Director of Pupil Personnel. A Search committee will need to be established. The committee would like two TRSB members as part of the Search Committee. These members would be part of the interview process and site visits, if necessary. Mrs. Champey appointed Mrs. Kosta and Mr. Brown to the Search Committee for the Director of Pupil Personnel.

Administrator's Report

Dr. McDonald wished all a Happy Holiday and noted the schools will have a full day on Friday and the SAU office will be open next week on Tuesday, December 26th.

Mr. LaSalle reported the TRMS 7th grade teams celebrated good citizenship, which was a joy to watch the children expressing their appreciation for each other. He also was invited to the 6th grade dance.

Dr. McDonald reported that two schools from SAU55 have moved into the second level of the New Hampshire School of the Year program, Sandown North and Hampstead Central School. Good luck to both schools.

Personnel Report

Dr. McDonald recommended accepting the retirement requests of:

1. Alice Lubrano Pollard Teacher
2. Bonnie Lou Morton Pollard Teacher Assistant
3. Robert Mayo Pollard Custodian

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

- **Voted:** To accept with regret and appreciation the retirement requests of Mrs. Lubrano, Mrs. Morton and Mr. Mayo.
- **Passed:** Unanimous

Committee Reports

Mrs. Withee reported the next Facilities meeting will be held on Tuesday, January 9th at 8:30 AM. Mrs. Aubrey noted that a cancelled Wellness Committee meeting would be re-scheduled. It was also noted that email problems at the SAU were due to large emails leaving the SAU office. Comcast believed (due to the large number of recipients) that it was spam and shut down the system for 48 hours. This issue has been corrected.

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

Correspondence Folder - Done

Vendor and Payroll Registers - Reviewed

Other Business -Non-Public at 8:50 PM

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

Voted: To go into non-public session: 91A: 3.II a
Passed: Unanimous

No action was taken during non-public session

- **On a motion by Mrs. Aubrey, second by Mrs. Withee**
- **Voted:** Agree to pay Mrs. Colleen Bovi up to 30 vacation days prior to June 30.
- **Passed:** Unanimous

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

Voted: To adjourn the meeting at 9:10 PM
Passed: Unanimous

Respectfully submitted,

Nancy Danahy
School Board Clerk