



Lunenburg Public Schools

Loxi Jo Calmes
Superintendent of Schools

SCHOOL COMMITTEE MEETING
Wednesday, November 9, 2011
Brooks House – 7:00 p.m.

Minutes

School Committee

David Reif
Gregory Berthiaume
Michael Mackin
Donna White - absent
Colleen Shapiro

Superintendent

Loxi Jo Calmes - absent

Recording Secretary

Mary Landi

Student Representative

Jen Markham

Guests

Susan Glenny, Joseph Dillon

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- * Call to Order – Dr. Reif called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m.
 - * Chairman's Report – None.
 - * Review and Approve Minutes
 - October 19, 2011 Regular Session Minutes – Approved by Dr. Reif.
 - June 15, 2011 Executive Session Minutes – Approved by Dr. Reif.
 - September 7, 2011 Executive Session Minutes – Approved by Dr. Reif.
 - September 28, 2011 Executive Session Minutes – Approved by Dr. Reif.
 - * Review and Approve Warrants – Warrants were on the table for signatures and there was one line item transfer from Lunenburg High School.
 - * Superintendent's Report – None. Superintendent Calmes was not in attendance.
 - * Student Report – Ms. Markham reported that the first quarter ended today. She also reported the Soccer teams' season had come to an end.
 - * Public Comment – None.
 - * New Business
 - Discussion
 - a. First Reading revised/new policies:
 - Concussion – Ms. Susan Glenny joined the committee at the table to review the concussion policy. She talked about the Department of Public Health regulations and the policy as written. There was discussion around the various users of our facilities and if we should require them to have a concussion policy. The school attorney would need to advise us on that. The concussion policy would be reviewed every two years. Mr. Mackin moved and Ms. Shapiro seconded a motion to waive the first reading of the policy. Vote: unanimous.
 - Naming of Facilities – Dr. Berthiaume moved and Ms. Shapiro seconded a motion to waive the first reading, with a notation to correct a typographical error in the document (change the word Fitchburg to Lunenburg). Vote: unanimous.

b. FY13 Proposed Budgets:

- Nursing/Health – Ms. Glenny presented her budget to the committee and gave a brief overview of supply orders, as well as data around health office visits, return to class statistics, etc. from FY11. Ms. Glenny stated that with the new health office software she will have additional data to report on next year.
- Lunenburg High School – Mr. Joseph Dillon joined the committee at the table. He gave the committee an update on the school improvement plan focusing on Goal #1: Academic Achievement. Goal #2 (Advisory Program) is on hold and the school council will be discussing an alternate goal for 2011-2012. Mr. Dillon also reported out on data related to student progress. Mr. Dillon highlighted the 2012-2013 budget implications. Dr. Berthiaume asked why we are using TI 83 and 84 calculators instead of newer technology. Mr. Dillon will discuss this with the LHS math department head. Ms. Shapiro suggested that Mr. Dillon put together data around the use of the laptops for the capital planning committee. Mr. Dillon touched on the highlights of the line items in his FY13 proposed budget that had significant increases/decreases and answered questions from committee members.

* Action

- a. Hockey Waterville Valley Trip – Mr. Dillon presented the request for the Hockey Team to go away for a teambuilding weekend. Mr. Mackin moved and Ms. Shapiro seconded a motion to approve the trip to Waterville Valley for the hockey team. Vote: unanimous.
- b. Refresh SOI's – Mr. John Londa joined the committee at the table. He reviewed the Statement of Interest process for this year. We need to refresh the SOIs for TCP and THMS; the deadline is November 30. The LHS SOI is still considered in the pipeline. Priority is LHS, TCP, and then THMS. Mr. Mackin moved and Dr. Berthiaume seconded a motion to approve the refreshing of the SOI's. Mr. Londa will bring them to the Board of Selectmen meeting next week to get the Town Manager's signature.

* Old Business

Action

- a. Revised District Math Curriculum – Third Reading – There was some discussion around THMS and the math curriculum. Mr. Mackin moved and Dr. Berthiaume seconded a motion to table the third reading to a future meeting. Vote: unanimous.

* Public Comment

* Reports

- a. Advisory Committee - Reconfiguration
- b. Finance Committee
- c. School Councils – Dr. Berthiaume reported the THMS School Council met yesterday.
- d. PTO
- e. Policy Sub-Committee
- f. Capital Planning Committee
- g. Health Advisory Committee
- h. PAC/SAL
- i. Regional Planning Committee
- j. Rep. Benson's Advisory
- l. Other

* Continuing Projects/Estimated Date of Completion

* Items for Future Discussion

- Workshop Sessions
- Facilities Use Procedure
- Civic Engagement

- * Executive Session - M.G.L. Chapter 39, Section 23B [3] To discuss strategy with respect to collective bargaining or litigation if an open meeting may have a detrimental effect on the government's bargaining or litigating position. At 8:12 p.m. Mr. Mackin moved and Dr. Berthiaume seconded a motion to enter into executive session for the purpose of discussing strategy related to contract negotiations with nonunion personnel. Vote: unanimous.

Roll Call

Dr. Reif – yes
Dr. Berthiaume – yes
Mr. Mackin – yes
Ms. Shapiro – yes

- * Adjournment – At 8:35 p.m. Mr. Mackin moved and Ms. Shapiro seconded a motion to adjourn regular session. Vote: unanimous.

Respectfully Submitted,

Mary Landi

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Lunenburg School Committee

Date: _____

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