Lunenburg Public Schools

Loxi Jo Calmes
Superintendent of Schools

SCHOOL COMMITTEE MEETING
Wednesday, May 23, 2012
Brooks House – 7:00 p.m.

Minutes

School Committee
David Reif
Gregory Berthiaume - absent
Michael Mackin
Colleen Shapiro
Brendan Grady

Guests
Kay Hillman, Peg Proctor

Superintendent
Loxi Jo Calmes

Recording Secretary
Mary Landi

Student Representative
Emma Degrace

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* *Call to Order* – Superintendent Calmes called the meeting to order at 7:04 p.m. She thanked Mr. Brendan Grady for coming forward to serve as the newest member on the school committee. The superintendent also expressed her sincere appreciation to all those who brought forth the override effort.

* *Reorganization* – See attached document.

  Dr. Reif expressed his disappointment at the outcome of the vote, but it is a clear message from the community. We will move on with the resources we have.

* *Review and Approve Minutes*
  - April 25, 2012 Regular Session Minutes – Approved by Dr. Reif.
  - May 2, 2012 Regular Session Minutes – Approved by Dr. Reif.
  - May 2, 2012 Executive Session Minutes – Approved by Dr. Reif.

* *Review and Approve Warrants* – Warrants were on the table for signatures.

* *Superintendent's Report* – Superintendent Calmes reported on the following:
  - The superintendent attended the annual Scholar's Breakfast sponsored by the Chamber of Commerce. Three seniors from LHS were honored – Derek Booth, Jen Markham & Liz Broden.
  - The Unified Track Meet was held last week; it was a wonderful event. The a cappella choir sang the Star Spangled Banner. Dr. Reif added a few words about Mr. Pete McCauliff's dedication to the students.
  - The LHS POPS concert took place last week.

* *Student Report* – Ms. Degrace reported on the following:
  - Student speeches and elections were held today.
  - The girls' track season finished up with an undefeated 121 straight meets.
  - Seniors have seven days left. Graduation is June 9.

* *New Business*

  Action

  a. Puerto Rico Trip – Ms. Peg Proctor and Ms. Kay Hillman addressed the committee and talked about their reasons for choosing a trip to Puerto Rico, one of which is to offer a trip that is more affordable so more students have an opportunity to experience this type of trip. Superintendent Calmes

recommended initial approval. Mr. Mackin moved and Ms. Shapiro seconded a motion to accept the superintendent's recommendation. Vote: unanimous.

b. Fuel Up to Play 60 – Superintendent Calmes gave an overview of the Fuel Up to Play 60 Grant, which is being brought forward by Ms. Sandy Laserte. She recommended approval to submit the grant application. Mr. Mackin moved and Ms. Shapiro seconded a motion to accept the superintendent's recommendation. Vote: unanimous.

* *Old Business* – None.

* *Public Comment* – None.

* *Reports*

a. School Building Committee – The SBC will meet next Wednesday at 6:30 p.m. for a tour of the high school prior to the meeting. A phone conference with the MSBA was held yesterday regarding enrollment. Dr. Reif expressed his appreciation to the community for the vote to move the feasibility study forward.
b. Finance Committee – The Committee that appoints members to the Finance Committee met yesterday and interviewed several candidates. Final selection is scheduled for next Tuesday.
c. School Councils
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
k. Other – Ms. Shapiro moved and Mr. Grade seconded a motion to appoint Mr. Mackin as the Finance Committee Appointing Committee representative. Vote: unanimous.

* *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 7:34 p.m. Mr. Mackin moved and Ms. Shapiro seconded a motion to enter into executive session, not to return to regular session, for the purpose of discussing strategy with respect to collective bargaining. Vote: unanimous.

Roll Call
Dr. Reif – yes
Mr. Grady – yes
Ms. Shapiro – yes
Mr. Mackin – yes

* *Adjournment* – The meeting adjourned at the end of executive session.

Respectfully Submitted,

Mary Landi

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APPROVED

Lunenburg School Committee

Date: 6.6.12

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