

**Dummer School Board  
Meeting Minutes  
Tuesday, September 20, 2005 at 7:00 p.m.  
Dummer Town Hall**

**Board Members Present: Joane Belleau, and Mariann Letarte**

**Administration Present: Superintendent Patrick Low, David Backler**

**Call to Order**

Chairman Joane Belleau called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

**Approval of Minutes**

Motion: By Mariann Letarte, Seconded by Joane Belleau.

**To: Accept minutes as amended with changes for the August 11th meeting.**

**Vote on motion: All in favor; motion carries.**

**Public Comments/Communications**

No public comments or written communications were offered.

**Communications-Staff or Guest Presenters**

The Dummer School Transportation contract was presented.

Motion: By Mariann Letarte, Second by Joane Belleau.

**To: Accept transportation contract as presented.**

**Vote: All in favor; motion carries.**

**Administrative Reports**

**Principal, Milan Village School**

David Backler discussed the following with the Board:

The School Calendar events:

Open house is to be held this coming Thursday.

Bikeathon is this coming Saturday.

Picture Day on Monday.

October 7<sup>th</sup> there will be a workshop

Cathy Crane from Plymouth State University is helping with the curriculum mapping to fill in the current gaps.

The School Nurse is at Milan Village School 5 days from 10:30 a.m. to 3 p.m., and shared with Errol ¼ day a month.

Current attendance is 126; there has been a gradual drop in last years. The attendance was 175 in previous years. Dummer has 20 students in attendance.

Area agreement should be 1 year.(which one Dummer/Milan or Summer/SAU#20)

The MAPS testing will be done in November. Student assessments are done in the fall and spring using MAPS along with the NECAP test & NHEAP.

Wells excavation finished grading of back service and drive. Central Paving to hot patch low area. Playground drainage to be budgeted for next summer, bids needed.

Painting inside gym will be done by basketball season. Suggestion was made to check on students sensitive to paint odors.

### **Superintendent's Report**

Patrick Low discussed the following with the Board:

Discussed having a guest speaker next year for back to school introduction breakfast, and due to the poor acoustics will be held in band room.

Art, music, and physical education weighted credit moving forward.

Forecast Transportation will continue past practice of busing friends.  
1 bus still has no camera. No bus uses cameras all the time.

PBIS supports detention/suspensions after reasonable effort. Discussed scaling down of positive reinforcement and end of month events.

There will be a meeting in November regarding the performance bond.  
Board to document expectations for principal.

Goal Initiatives:

Continued curriculum improvement

Services to facilitate differentiated learning to continue

Use of technology to continue to improve learning opportunities

Distance Learning to help accommodate senior students. Also Berlin offered open seats in classes to help accommodate students.

Also discussed was future possibility of a regional technical center.

SAU User Survey to be sent in as soon as possible by Board members.

Financial:

Projected Fund Balance – see notes

Tuition Responsibility signed.

### **Next Meeting:**

Tuesday, October 4<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 p.m. at the Milan Village School Library

Monday, November 11<sup>th</sup> at 7 p.m. at the Dummer Town Hall

### **Adjournment**

Motion: By Mariann Letarte, Second by Joane Belleau.

**Motion: To adjourn the meeting.**

**Vote: All in favor; motion passes.**

The Dummer School District Board meeting was adjourned at 8:37 p.m.

Minutes Recorded by Susan Darr