

DUMMER
Minutes of School Board Meeting

Tuesday, November 15, 2005 at 6:30 pm
Dummer Town Hall, Dummer, NH 03588

Dummer Members present:

Joane Belleau School Board Chairperson
Julie Grover School Board Member
Mariana Letarte School Board Member

Others present:

Patrick Low Superintendent, SAU-20
David Backler MVS Principal
Malcolm Shute Minute Taker

Item No./Subject (taken from Agenda)

I. Call to Order

The Chairperson called the meeting to order at 6:35 pm.

II. Approval of September 20, 2005 Minutes

Motion by Julie Glover, seconded by Mariana Letarte.

Motion: To accept the minutes of September 20, 2005 as amended.

Vote: All in favor, motion passed.

III. Public Comments

None.

IV. Communications/Written

Julie Glover's daughter, Gabriel, complained that the cold lunch served at MVS on grandparent's day was not good.

V. Superintendent's Report

- AREA agreements were submitted to New Hampshire DOE on 10/28/05.
- Preliminary budget information has been given to the Milan School Board.
- Lionel Tracey, State Commissioner of Education, rescheduled his visit to December 13th from 9am to 1pm.
- Next SAU-20 Board meeting is November 17, 2005.
- Math testing will follow individual student's progress and allow them to compare past and present performance.
- New lesson plans are coming which will include recommended at-home time with parents.

VI. Principal's Report

- MAPs testing is in process.
- Gear swap is scheduled for Saturday, November 19th.
- A mapping workshop for curriculum is planned for today and tomorrow for Great Books and writing beginning with the 6th grade.
- One new student has been enrolled at MVS.

- Pat Eddy, the regional PBIS person, said that the current rate of referrals is OK.
- The “Above and Beyond” program is progressing well.
- Veterans appreciation day went well.
- A Title I workshop will be held December 18th.

VII. Building Renovation/Performance Bond

- Mediation re-scheduled for December 22nd in Concord.

VIII. Other

- Chad Dryden, the Berlin Sun reporter, has left the newspaper for another job. SAU #20 shared thanking for his prior service and gifted a baseball cap.
- A reminder was given for the MVS staff and students to get flu shots.
- A lengthy discussion was held regarding the possibility of sending older students to the Gorham schools as well as the Berlin schools. Julie Grover agreed to look into this. Board will search area options.

Motion by Julie Glover, seconded by Mariana Letarte.

Motion: To approve the payment of vendors as submitted.

Vote: All in favor, motion passed.

IX. Non-Public Session

None.

X. Next Regular Board Meeting

- **Tentative**
Dummer School Board Meeting on Tuesday, December 13, 2005, at 6:30 pm at Dummer Town Hall.

Other Key Meeting Dates

- SAU-20 Board meeting November 17, 2005.
- SAU-20 Hearing date/sharing of budget-tentative December 1, 2005.
- Milan School Board meeting December 6, 2005.

XI. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 8:15 pm.

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