

Dummer School Board Meeting Minutes Monday, April 7, 2008

Present: Chairman Jennifer Miller, and Julie Glover (Nancy Bisson absent)

Administration: Superintendent Paul Bousquet, Business Administrator Pauline Plourde

- I. Call to Order: Paul Bousquet called the meeting to order at 6:02 p.m.
- II. Realignment of Board-Nomination of Officers: **Motion** - Julie Glover made a motion to nominate Jennifer Miller as chairperson; second by Julie Glover. All in favor.
Jennifer Miller took over the rest of the meeting as chairperson.
Motion – Jennifer Miller made a motion to nominate Julie Glover as Vice-Chairperson; seconded by Julie Glover. All in favor.
Motion – Julie Glover made a motion to nominate Nancy Bisson as Secretary; seconded by Jennifer Miller. All in favor.
- III. Approval of February 4, 2007 Minutes (Both Public Hearing and Board Meeting): **Motion** – Julie Glover made a motion to accept the minutes as presented; seconded by Jennifer Miller. All in favor.
- IV. Public Comments: No one from the public present
- V. Written Communication
 - Berlin School Board Minutes
 - Milan School Board Minutes – A discussion took place regarding the SPED report and Steve’s concern with some students attending the Berlin schools who are struggling. The Board offered their support and wondered if they could do something as a board. A question arose regarding the pre-school program. It was stated that parents will be made aware soon regarding the possibility of having to pay for the program as grant money has been reduced. Paul informed the board that Dave plans on updating the Science curriculum and implementing it this school year. A discussion regarding the math curriculum also took place.
 - Teacher Dismissal and Re nomination from NHSBA – Informational only; no discussion.
 - Scholarship Awards NHSBA – This scholarship if open for the children/grandchildren of Board members who are graduating this year.
 - Inserts for Policy Book – Informational only; no discussion.
 - IDEA Requirements form NHDOE
- VI. Superintendent’s Report
 - Berlin AREA Agreement Update: Paul wants actual tuition agreements from area schools in order to include them with the packet. The school board needs to nominate two representatives to serve on the committee. Paul will contact the Dummer Selectmen and hold brief meetings at their meeting in order to facilitate their attendance. **Motion** – Julie Glover made a motion to nominate Nancy Bisson to be on the AREA Withdrawal Committee; second by Jennifer Miller. All in favor. Julie will also serve and volunteered for this committee.
 - Update of Milan Policy Regarding Lice: Jennifer stated that she does have the policy but her goal was to have the Milan Administration be pro active by giving quick notification to parents in order to assist them to watch their children.
 - Board Self Evaluation Review: Jennifer had emailed out the results but it has been lost. She will re calculate the results and send along. She pointed out that it was suggested that a work session be earmarked for the board to discuss and set up their goals. This will discussed at their next meeting scheduled for June 2, 2008.
 - NHSBA Policy Updates February 2008: Paul struck out the policies that were not pertinent to the Dummer School District. **Motion** – Julie Glover made a motion to adopt the following policies – ACE, EFA, EB, EEAE, GBAA, IJNDB, and KCD; seconded by Jennifer Miller. All in favor
 - Milan Calendar 2008-2009 /Berlin Calendar 2008-2009: Paul will put forth next year’s calendar early on in order to try and coordinate the two calendars. The calendar is based on 180 days; # of hours for middle school - 990 and 945 for elementary. Paul explained how the formula is calculated.
 - Board Meeting Dates 2008-2009: Paul reviewed the handout for the board meeting schedule. The School Board will continue to meet on the 1st Monday of the month as follows: 8/4/08, 10/6/08, 12/1/08, 1/5/09,

2/2/09, 3/10/09, 4/6/09 and 6/1/09. The budget hearing will be determined in order to coincide with the Town budget hearing in February. The district meeting will be on March 10, 2009.

- Signing Ethics Statement: The school board signed the ethic statements.
- VII. Other: The SAU meeting will be held on May 1st at Welch's Restaurant in Gorham. The owners will be opening the restaurant for our meeting.
- VIII. Business Administrator's Report
- Monthly Financial Report: The projected fund balance is estimated at \$77,000. Pauline pointed out that \$25,000 was anticipated at the time of the printing of the town report. Students continue to migrate in and out of Dummer.
- IX. Principal's Report: Jennifer pointed out that the April report doesn't show the SWIS data. Paul pointed out that Dave does not include it every month. Pauline pointed out the history of the # of referrals based on fiscal year ending from FY 2005 – 935, FY 2006 – 111, FY 2007 – 136, FY 2008 – 55. It was commented that the positive culture is evident.
- X. Sped Directors' Report: Paul pointed out the history of the Medicaid revenue to date.
- IV. Non-Public Session: None needed.
- V. Next Regular Meeting: Monday, June 2, 2008-6:00 p.m. Jennifer commented that the School Board's goals will be discussed at this meeting.
- VI. Other: Paul pointed out that he will include Milan's minutes in draft form and send them along as an attachment for the Board to review.
- VII. Adjournment: Julie Glover made a motion to adjourn at 6:55 p.m.; seconded by Jennifer Miller. All in favor.

Respectfully Submitted by Pauline Plourde