

MILAN

Minutes of School Board Meeting

Tuesday, November 8, 2005 at 6:30 pm

Milan Village School, 11 Bridge Street, Milan, NH 03588-9702

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Milan Members Present:

Andrew Mullins, School Board Chairman; Jacqueline Quintal, School Board Member; Patricia Shute, School Board Member

OTHERS PRESENT:

David Backler, MVS Principal; Patrick Low, Superintendent, SAU-20; Pauline Plourde, Business Administrator SAU-20; Rebecca Hebert-Sweeny, Director of Special Services, SAU-20; Malcolm Shute, Minute Taker.

Guests:

Lisa Morse, Amy Cornish, Melinda Mortenson, Cynthia Mortenson, Julie Renaud Evans, Paula LaBreque

No. Subject (No. & Subject Taken from Agenda)

I. Call to Order

The School Board Chairman called the meeting to order at 6:35 pm.

II. Approval of October 4, 2005 Minutes

Motion by Patricia Shute to approve minutes of October 4, 2005 with changes as amended.

Seconded by Jacqueline Quintal

Vote: All in favor, motion passed.

III. Public Comments

- Copies of the agenda for meetings will be made available for guests at future School Board meetings.
- Julie Renaud Evans requested an update on the status of the AREA agreement as discussed and reported in the minutes of September 7, 2004. This was with regard to older Milan students possibly going to another school district. The minutes regarding this subject are shown below.

VI. Non-Public Session

Motion by Jacqueline Quintal; Second Andrew Mullins

MOTION: To enter non-public session under RSA 91-A: 311-C at 9:34 pm.

Vote on motion: Roll call vote: J. Quintal – yes, A. Mullins – yes.

A student bus issue was discussed. Patrick Low will pull the school district policy on bus issues for the Board's Boards review.

The Board discussed the possibility of an AREA agreement with another district. Andrew Mullins suggested putting this topic on hold for right now as there is so much going on in Milan. Jacqueline Quintal was in agreement.

- The chairman stated that other issues have come to light since that time but does not remember this been addressed since last September.

IV. Communications/Written

None.

V. Communications-Visiting Staff or Special Presenters

None.

VI. Superintendent's Report

General Operations

- A visit to SAU-20 and SAU-3 is planned by the Education Commissioner on November 17th.
- Curriculum was discussed.
- A reminder about getting flu shots was given.
- AVER was discussed regarding pretest, in-service, remediation and pre-employment skills.
- Weather cancellation call lists will be updated.
- Tuition rosters will be completed.
- School building mediation will begin November 14th.

Financial

- Three-ring binders containing preliminary budget information were distributed to the School Board members.

VII. Principal's Report

The Principal's printed report, which was distributed earlier, was reviewed with the following comments:

- The questionable chair which was reported at the last meeting meets fire code and is allowed in classroom.
- Money collected by the Bike-a-thon fund drive is in the PTO account.
- Referral rating is up slightly. Reporting form will be adjusted.
- New return bus routes work now and will be implemented after Christmas. Letters will be sent home to parents. Goal is to have all students picked up at school between 2:45 pm and 2:55 pm.
- MAP testing started today.
- The principal spoke with Kathy Crane regarding curriculum mapping.
- NWEA and GLE testing was discussed at a recent workshop with the conclusion that the NECAP concept should be incorporated in the MAP testing to prevent duplication.
- PBIS referrals between 0.85 and 0.90 per day are considered normal, according to Pat Eddy from Plymouth college. It was noted that the number of referrals are reported as a total number and not by individual students. This will be changed in the future so that the number of referrals by individual student will be reported.
- Parental involvement in PBIS was discussed.
- Recent information on the bullying policy and PBIS is presented in the MVS Policy Handbook and from the NH School Board association as well as on-line under the pertinent RSAs
- Bullying was discussed with regard to how it can be tracked, what constitutes bullying and the legal requirement to report all incidences of bullying.
- Upcoming calendar items for MVS were discussed which included the fitness step program for the sixth grade and staff (trying to get 10,000 steps per day on spepometers), Title 1 workshop on November 17th and a gear and equipment swap on November 19th.
- Emergency responder updates include deescalating terminology by using unemotional wording for terms such as "Red Zone Behavior" and the word "Emergency". Paula and the principal are currently the emergency responders.
- The Business Administrator went over the end-of-the month financials and explained recent expenditures and several fund transfers.

Motion by Patricia Shute to approve the transfer of funds as requested and presented under the date 11/8/2005.

Seconded by Jacqueline Quintal

Vote: All in favor, motion passed.

- The concerns expressed by the Librarian/Art teacher at the last meeting have been resolved with the principal.

VIII. AREA Agreements

- These documents were delivered to the New Hampshire DOE on October 28, 2005 as requested.

- The SAU-20 and SAU-3 superintendents visited the New Hampshire DOE in Concord and made some minor changes to the wording of these documents.
- These agreements will be presented to the Milan voters at the School District Hearing in March 2006.
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IX Transportation

The Superintendent spoke with the school bus company owner again regarding video cameras.

X Building Renovation/Performance Bond

No meeting scheduled yet for school board meeting on this subject.

A. Mediation Planning Meeting November 14, 2005

B. Mediation on November 16, 2005

C. Turner Group renovation specifications adjusted for inflation

XI. Policy

- First draft pages were distributed for review and for next month's agenda.
- Door-to-door solicitations by school children selling items is to be discouraged.

XII. Personnel

Principal's final contract sent to School Board on October 12, 2005 to be signed/documentated.

XIII. Other

- School Board Policies in force now.

Motion by Patricia Shute to go on record that Milan Village school operates under School Board policies on file at the school and at the SAU-20 office using handbooks and manuals for 2005-2006 and that all previous documents are null and void and are hereby rescinded.

Seconded by Jacqueline Quintal

Vote: All in favor, motion passed.

- PTO will have a float in the upcoming Thanksgiving Day Parade of Lights.

XIV. Non-Public Session

Motion by Patricia Shute to go into non-public session under RSA 91-A:3-II at 8:20 pm

Seconded by Jacqueline Quintal.

Vote: Roll Call Vote: Andrew Mullins-Aye, Patricia Shute-Aye, Jacqueline Quintal-Aye.

All in favor, motion passed.

XV. Next Regular Meeting

Tuesday, December 6, 2005, at 6:30 pm in MVS library.

XVI. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 9:40 pm.