

SAU #20 BOARD MEETING
Tuesday, October 10, 2006
Minutes of Meeting
Gorham Middle High School Library

Present:

Milan Board: SAU Chairman Patricia Shute

Dummer Board: Julie Glover, Jennifer Miller

Gorham Randolph Shelburne Coop Board: Angela Brown, Jo Carpenter, Michele Cormier, Greg Corrigan, Anne Hill, Jay Holmes, Kathleen Kelley, Paul Partenope

Administration: Paul Bousquet, Superintendent SAU #20, Pauline Plourde, Business Administrator, Becky Hebert-Sweeny and Steve Gordon, Co-Directors of SPED

SAU Staff: Maria Delisle, Office Manager Other: Kimberly Hockmeyer, Recorder

I. Call to Order

Shute called the meeting to order at 6:40 PM.

II. Public Comments – none

III. Approval of Minutes: June 28, 2006

Motion made by Kelley to accept the minutes of 06/28/06 as presented. Motion seconded by Carpenter. No discussion. Vote: 9-0-1 abstain (Partenope). Motion approved.

IV. Communications Written – none

V. Superintendent's Report

A. Evaluation of Superintendent

Bousquet explained that he had included several examples of evaluations for the Board to review and revise to make it relevant for SAU #20.

Corrigan asked what evaluation tool Bousquet was using for administrators, and if it would be beneficial to have it line up with the Superintendent's evaluation form.

Bousquet responded that it would be a good idea to have it align.

Cormier requested a committee to review and revise the evaluation form. Shute asked for volunteers to review and revise the evaluation form by meeting at least once and bring their recommendation back to the Board. Cormier, Shute, and Miller volunteered and will set up a convenient time to meet.

B. Board Protocol

Bousquet asked the Board to review the handout.

C. NHSBA Delegate Assembly

Partenope would like to attend the November 4th meeting. Kelley will try to attend, but is unsure if it is possible at this time.

D. Other

Shute asked Board if they had any comments and or questions to address.

Holmes asked the Superintendent to consider teachers' relationships with the principals when performing their evaluations. Corrigan added that it is a team relationship between teachers and administration, similar to Board and Superintendent.

VI. Business Administrator's Report

A. Budget 2007-2008

Bousquet explained how the Budget was created, and that consideration was made to the economic changes in the area.

Plourde reviewed the budget with the Board, and explained the increase of a part time employee to full time status and the cost increase in health insurance and retirement related to that change. She added that the retirement portion has increased 28% which is 8.74% of salaries that is per an RSA.

Shute asked if the 15% increase in health insurance premium was reasonable. Plourde explained that she believed that it was. Discussion on staff's contribution. Plourde explained that it was 80% district, 20% employee for the premiums, as it is in the school district.

Plourde explained the Special Education portion of the budget.

Kelley asked if there were enough resources in the budget to meet the goals and objectives of the Boards. Discussion on increasing the hours from part time to full time would be sufficient or if the SAU would still need to include extra hours for handling the goals and objectives of the Boards. Bousquet stated that attention was put into the budget to meet the SAU needs. He added that it was a good budget, not exorbitant.

Shute stated that the budget will be revisited at the next meeting.

VII. Special Education Directors' Report

Hebert-Sweeney explained how the directors were sharing the position and how well it was going. Gordon reiterated the positive results of sharing the position. Bousquet commented on how well the two worked together.

Cormier asked for information on Cascade Academy. Gordon and Hebert-Sweeney described its set up and its benefit to the area.

VIII. Non-Public Session – none needed

IX. Other

Kelley asked about the failure of a Board retreat in the fall. Bousquet responded that he needed more lead time to get it set up. Kelley stated that instead of a dinner, she would rather spend the money on a facilitator and work together as a Board. Discussion. Board members agreed that a team building event should occur.

X. Next Meeting

November 16, 2006 Milan Village School at 6:30 PM

December 6, 2006 Gorham MH School Library, Public Hearing 6:30 PM followed by regular meeting

May 5, 2007 Location to be determined
2:00 – 6:00 PM Team Building
6:00 PM Dinner Meeting

XI. Adjournment

Motion made by Partenope to adjourn the meeting. Motion seconded by Corrigan. No discussion. Vote: 10-0. Motion approved. Meeting adjourned at 8:15 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Kimberly A. Hockmeyer
Recorder for SAU #20 Board