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**Wentworth School Board
Wentworth, NH
June 2, 2008
Minutes**

Board Members Present: Lee Morrison, Kathleen Mack, Bernice Sullivan

Administration Present: Keith Charpentier and Ethel Gaides
Public Present: Laurie Melanson

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 PM.

Laurie Melanson discussed the 8th grade class trip with the School Board. Mrs. Mack moved, seconded by Mr. Morrison to approve the itinerary of the class trip to Six Flags in Springfield on June 3 and to Boston, returning on June 5. The vote was unanimous.

Agenda Review and Disposition – Addition of Robertson Bus Contract to discussion items.

Minutes of May 12, 2008 School Board Meeting – Mr. Morrison moved, seconded by Ms. Sullivan to accept the minutes of May 12, 2008. The vote was unanimous.

Principal's Report – Mr. Charpentier updated the School Board on the baseball seasons with a final record of 8 wins and 0 losses. What a year for all our sports teams! The 8th grade class attended the Operation Impact Program put on by the Grafton County Department of Corrections. The program is geared to inform young people of the possible consequences of negative behavior.

On a motion by Mr. Morrison, seconded by Ms. Sullivan, the Board voted to approve the principal's report. The vote was unanimous.

Correspondence – The request for the waiver of remaining school days (due to the snow storms this past winter) was approved by the New Hampshire Commissioner of Education. Recognition letters of staff members were shared with the School Board.

Discussion Items—Mrs. Mack moved, seconded by Ms. Sullivan to approve the student handbook for 2008-2009. The vote was unanimous. The School Board will continue to meet the second Monday of each month for the summer (July 14 and August 11).

Mr. Morrison moved, Bernice seconded the approval of the Robertson Transit Bus Contract through 2013. The vote was unanimous.

Mr. Morrison moved, seconded by Mrs. Mack the date of September 6, 2008 at 3:00 PM for a Special School District Meeting if the court decision on June 12 is affirmative.

The School Board reviewed the 2007-2008 budget. Dr. Gaides recognized Mr. Charpentier for being fiscally responsible with the budget. Discussion ensued over the progress of our five year building maintenance capital expenses plan. The bathrooms need renovation and asbestos abatement. Carpeting needs to continue in its planned rotation throughout the building with asbestos abatement as needed. Mrs. Mack moved, seconded by Ms. Sullivan to encumber 2007-2008 funds for unbudgeted and unanticipated expenses related to oil (\$10,000), special education (\$20,000), maintenance and repairs (\$78,735), additional kindergarten tuition (\$6,000), and legal fees (\$4,000). Additionally, the motion included \$1,000 in merit pay to Mr. Richard Young, \$1,000 in merit pay to Mrs. Maria Young, and \$5,000 as a medical adjustment for Mr. Charpentier. The vote was unanimous.

Recognition and Awards – Mr. Charpentier recognized the following:

- Faculty, Staff and Students for an enjoyable 2007-2008 school year
- Members of the School Board and Dr. Gaides for support and guidance. The dedication to the school, community, and students is greatly appreciated.
- Mrs. Laurie Melanson for her organization to make the 8th grade trip possible and to the parents: Mr. Scott Vien, Mrs. Lynn Vien, Mrs. Kerry Brown, Mrs. Lisa Ames, and Mr. William Melanson for chaperoning the 8th grade class trip with Mrs. Laurie Melanson.
- Mrs. Kerry Brown and Ms. Lauren Zimmerman for driving the 8th grade class to the Operation Impact Program.
- Mr. Francis Muzzey for visiting the 3rd and 4th grade classroom and for providing the students with a historical tour of the town and historical society building.
- Mrs. Heather Clark, Mrs. Sarah Cormiea, Ms. Ashley Deneau, and Mrs. Kathryn Dunkin for help in chaperoning the semi-formal dance. Thanks also to Officer Mr. Pete Chierichetti for his time.

Privilege of the Floor – None (no one asked to speak).

Consent Items-Claims and Payroll (A/P #39, #40; P/R #26, #27) were reviewed and signed by the school board.

At 8:30 PM, it was moved by Mr. Morrison, seconded by Mrs. Mack to adjourn the meeting. The vote was unanimous.

Respectfully Submitted,

Lee Morrison