

**Wentworth School Board
Minutes of October 20, 2008
Wentworth Elementary School**

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

Administration Present: Keith Charpentier, Ethel Gaides

Public Present: Tanya O'Brien, Laurie Melanson, Erin DeCotis

Meeting was called to order at 5:00 p.m.

Agenda review and Disposition – nothing added or deleted

Minutes of September 8, 2008 School Board Meeting - Mr. Morrison moved, seconded by Ms. Sullivan to accept the minutes of July 14, 2008 as amended (Mrs. Mack was absent). The vote was unanimous.

Principal's report – Mr. Charpentier distributed his principal's report. He reported on soccer and field hockey teams, the field trips, student council elections, October 7th Open House, collection of non-perishable food items, and completion of the NECAPs.

Correspondence – A memo on "How to Obtain a Kindergarten Construction Grant" and the schedule of SAU #48 School Boards Meeting for 2008-2009 were distributed.

Discussion Items –

We need to submit a timeline to the New Hampshire Department of Education by December 5 in regards to obtaining a Kindergarten Construction Grant. Kindergarten Construction Grants cover 75% of the costs of kindergarten facilities, architect's fees directly related to kindergarten classroom construction; site preparation direction related to kindergarten classroom construction; kindergarten classroom construction directly-related storage spaces and access areas, such as specialized playground equipment; and initial classroom equipment for the kindergarten program.

Ms. Sullivan moved, seconded by Mr. Morrison to move ahead with the plans for a construction manager for the Kindergarten Construction Project. The vote was unanimous.

Mr. Charpentier handed out keys to the building to the School Board. He also updated the School Board on some budget requests for the 2009-2010 school year.

Recognition and Awards – Mr. Charpentier recognized several faculty and staff members, coaches, and Jon Francis.

Privilege of the Floor –

Mrs. Melanson asked the school board to consider transportation costs in the 2009-2010 budget for Algebra I students to be able to take Algebra I at Plymouth Regional High School. Discussion ensued regarding various options for Algebra I students, in addition to the consideration for transportation costs.

Ms. Sullivan asked that the Robertson Transit Company be contacted regarding the Atwell Hill Road bus driver and his speeding, and his disregard for pedestrians and horses. The School Board asked Mrs. Gaides to follow up with a memo to the company.

Consent Items – Claims and Payroll were reviewed and signed by the school board.

At 5:50 PM it was moved by Mr. Morrison and seconded by Mrs. Mack to enter into Nonpublic Session to discuss personnel. The vote was unanimous.

At 6:25 PM it was moved by Mr. Morrison and seconded by Mrs. Mack to enter Public Session. The vote was unanimous. No action was taken in non-public session.

At 6:30 PM, it was moved by Mr. Morrison and seconded by Mrs. Mack to adjourn. The vote was unanimous.

Respectfully Submitted,

Lee Morrison

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