

Wednesday, October 7, 2009
Board of Directors Meeting - 7:00 p.m.
Reeds Brook Middle School

The M.S.A.D. No. 22 Board of Directors met at Reeds Brook Middle School on Wednesday, October 7, 2009. Tim Pease called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Directors present were: Kelly Bickmore, Peter Buzzini, Kim Clark, Christopher Cox, Liliane Deighan, Lance El-Hajj, Martha Harris, Zachary Malloy, Cindy Mitchell, Timothy Pease, Stuart Sherburne, and Michaela Stephenson. Excused: Jonathan Henry, Erica Kimball, and Rick Moore.

II. Approval of Minutes

Harris moved, Deighan seconded, and the Board favorably voted to approve the regular meeting minutes of September 16, 2009. Abstain: Pease and Bickmore.

III. Adjustment to Agenda

Board Chair Pease announced he is recommending an additional executive session to discuss a personnel matter at the end of this evening's agenda.

IV. Persons desiring to address the Board

Mr. Delahanty, district parent, expressed his concern that the school district's volunteer policy does not require background checks for volunteers working in schools.

V. Board Chairman

A. Meeting with Town Officials

Board Chair Pease recommended to enter executive session at the end of this meeting to further review a "real estate issue" (re-use of existing HA site) which was discussed at a meeting between he, Mr. Lyons, and Hampden town officials.

VI. Personnel

A. Resignations

None.

B. Nominations

Upon recommendation of Assistant Superintendent Genest, Harris moved, Mitchell seconded, and the Board unanimously voted to hire the following coaching positions:

John Plourde, Boys Varsity Tennis Coach, Hampden Academy (returning)
Stipend: \$4,408.78

Rich Nutter, Girls Varsity Tennis Coach, Hampden Academy (returning)
Stipend: \$4,408.78

Alverna Plourde, JV Tennis Coach (Co-Ed), Hampden Academy (returning)
Stipend: \$2,204.39

VII. Superintendent of Schools

A. Reading of the Essential Behaviors and Outcomes Proclamation

Cindy Mitchell read the Essential Behaviors and Outcomes Proclamation.

B. Maine School Board Association Conference

Assistant Superintendent Genest reminded the Board that the Maine School Board Association Conference is scheduled for Thursday, October 22 and Friday, October 23. Mr. Genest also inquired if any attending Board members would be interested in representing SAD #22 as a voting delegate. Cindy Mitchell expressed interest.

C. Hampden Academy School Construction Project Update

Assistant Superintendent Genest and Building Committee Chair, Martha Harris, reviewed the following Bids for Phase 1 of the Hampden Academy project:

Lane Construction	\$11,422,791.00
R.F. Jordan	\$9,106,812.00
Sargent Corporation	\$8,666,447.00 **

Sargent is the low bidder, and the bid differential is illustrated as:

Total Project Available	\$7,823,025.00
Low Bid (Sargent)	<u>\$8,666,447.00</u>
Over Budget	(\$843,422.00)

Therefore, the school district and WBRC have requested an itemization of the bid components. These will be analyzed by WBRC. SAD #22 spoke with Sargent Corporation's owner, Herb Sargent, and have scheduled meetings for Tuesday, October 6 and Friday, October 9.

D. Student Representative

Student Representative, Zach Malloy, reviewed various student matters to the Board, including fundraising efforts for outdoor graduation.

E. Assistant Superintendent's Update

Assistant Superintendent Genest reviewed various school business matters, including the recent "trash bid" results.

VIII. Questions of Board Members

Liliane Deighan asked if Board of Director stipends can be donated toward other school expenditures. After considerable discussion, Board members would continue to be paid their respective stipends and be allowed to donate their stipend toward school expenditures of their choice.

Martha Harris expressed that she is anticipating the reconfiguration of the middle school foreign language program at a future Board meeting.

IX. Committee Reports

A. Finance Committee

Finance Committee member, Lance El-Hajj, reported on the September 29 meeting notes.

B. Budget Committee

None.

C. Athletic Committee

Athletic Committee Chair, Kim Clark, reported on this evening's meeting including:

- Coaching handbook
- Defunded program update
- Field usage alternatives during the high school construction project
- Recap of recent homecoming events
- Gate receipts policy

D. Building Committee

Building Committee Chair, Martha Harris, reported on the October 1 Building Committee meeting notes and the September 24 Re-Use Committee meeting notes.

E. Negotiations Committee

None.

F. Education Committee

Education Committee Chair, Liliane Deighan, reviewed the September 14 meeting notes including the following issues:

- Student assessment data including intervention strategies (NWEA)
- Hampden Academy math curriculum
- Enrollment trends
- Newburgh Elementary School co-existing with Town of Newburgh's municipal services

G. Policy Committee

Policy Committee Chair, Martha Harris, reviewed the September 28 meeting notes.

H. United Technologies Center Board

None.

X. Policy Consideration

A. Discuss and act on first reading of Policy FFA, Memorials and Regulation FFA-R.

Policy Committee Chair, Martha Harris, reviewed the first reading of Policy FFA, Memorials and Regulation FFA-R. Deighan moved, Mitchell seconded, and the Board voted unanimously to approve the first reading as presented.

B. Discuss and act on first reading of Policy ACA, Harassment.

Policy Committee Chair, Martha Harris, reviewed the first reading of Policy ACA, Harassment. Bickmore moved, Clark seconded, and the Board voted unanimously to approve the first reading as presented.

XI. Old Business

A. Discuss and act on continuation of middle school hockey program.

Upon recommendation of Assistant Superintendent Genest, Harris moved, Mitchell seconded, and the Board voted unanimously to approve the continuation of the middle school hockey program and have this program completely managed and funded by external sources.

XII. New Business

A. Discuss and act on authorizing the Superintendent of Schools to obtain proposals for tax credit financing for energy conservation and other improvements to District Schools.

Upon recommendation of Assistant Superintendent Genest, Buzzini moved, Harris seconded, and the Board unanimously voted to obtain proposals for tax credit financing for energy conservation and other improvements to district Schools including the replacement of exterior windows/doors project at the McGraw school. The estimated total is \$3,254,270.00.

XIII. Communication and Correspondence

A. Set Meeting Dates

Education Committee postponed the October 20 meeting to Wednesday, October 21, at 6:00 p.m.

Athletic Committee, Wednesday, November 4, at 6:00 p.m.

XIV. Executive Session to Discuss a Personnel Matter

At 8:05 p.m., Deighan moved, Harris seconded, and the Board voted to go into executive session to discuss use of real estate property (Hampden Academy) pursuant to 1 MRSA § 405 (6)(c). Board reconvened into regular session at 8:15 p.m. At 8:16 p.m., Deighan moved, Bickmore seconded to go into executive session to discuss a personnel matter pursuant to 1 MRSA § 405 (6)(A). The Board reconvened into regular session at 8:39 p.m.

XV. Other Business

A. To see what action, if any, the Board wishes to take on business required by items that are part of this agenda.

On a last note, Board member Harris expressed the October 1, 2009 PREP “Roles and Responsibilities Workshop” was excellent.

XVI. Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned at 8:46 p.m.

Respectively Submitted,

Richard A. Lyons, Superintendent