

Wednesday, December 16, 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, December 16, 2009. Tim Pease called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Directors present were: Peter Buzzini, Kim Clark, Liliane Deighan, Lance El-Hajj, Martha Harris, Cindy Mitchell, Rick Moore, Timothy Pease, Stuart Sherburne, and Michaela Stephenson (arrived at 7:45 p.m.). Excused: Kelly Bickmore, Christopher Cox, and Jonathan Henry.

II. Adjustment to Agenda

None.

III. Approval of Minutes

Deighan moved, Mitchell seconded, and the Board favorably voted to approve the regular meeting minutes of December 2, 2009. Abstain: Buzzini, Clark.

IV. Persons desiring to Address the Board

None.

V. Board Chairman

Board Chair, Tim Pease, noted the following topics will be added to this evening's agenda:

- Executive session to discuss negotiations
- Board roles relating to teacher grievance procedures

VI. Superintendent of Schools

A. Reading of Essential Behaviors and Outcomes Proclamation

Cindy Mitchell read the Essential Behaviors and Outcomes Proclamation.

B. Faculty Presentation on Literacy Leadership Team

Superintendent Lyons introduced Weatherbee Principal, Regan Nickels. She then introduced Weatherbee teachers Jen Jones and Megan Schall. Both teachers reviewed the literacy leadership team initiative and summarized the school's comprehensive reading model. Using action research, the school is finding that consistency strengthens teaching practices and professional dialogue. Discussion followed.

C. Continue Discussion on Parameters, Beliefs, Essentials for Fiscal year 2011 Budget

The administrative team along with the Board of Directors continued their discussion on parameters, beliefs, and essentials for fiscal year 2010 budget. Superintendent Lyons reviewed the SAD #22 mission statement and fundamental beliefs. Considerable discussion followed.

D. Hampden Academy Project Update

Assistant Superintendent Genest provided an update relating to the Hampden Academy construction project. He noted the following:

- Continued clearing/cutting of woods and stumps, grinding in the areas of the athletic fields
- Soil erosion control work will cease due to frozen grounds, however, will continue next spring
- Continued site demolition throughout the site, until the weather prohibits any further work
- Construction of the access road is now completed. More granular material will be delivered next spring 2010
- Established on site office facilities is now completed
- Excavation of unsuitable soils around the building site will continue until mid-January
- Trucking of granular backfill on access road and building site will continue until December 24
- Installation of drainage piping and structures has begun and will continue until weather prohibits

Tuesday, December 15, 2009	Final construction drawings submitted to Dept. of Education
Thursday, December 17, 2009	Final construction budget submitted to Dept. of Education
Friday, December 18, 2009	General contractor, prequalification inquiries are due to Bureau of General Services
Wednesday, December 23, 2009	WBRC/SAD #22 meeting with Dept. of Education in Augusta
Monday, January 4, 2010	State of Board of Education construction meeting with SAD #22/WBRC
Wednesday, January 13, 2010	State board of Education meeting to approve phase 2
Monday, January 18, 2010	Phase 2 goes out to bid
Thursday, February 25, 2010	Hampden Academy school construction bid opening

E. American Recovery Reinvestment Act (ARRA) Funding

Superintendent Lyons announced SAD #22 will be reimbursed \$40,000 from the American Recovery Reinvestment Act (ARRA) for various paving projects throughout the district. The Maine Department of Education (MDOE) first rejected the reimbursement, but the Federal Department of Education repealed MDOE's decision. Mr. Lyons thanked Assistant Superintendent Genest for facilitating the repeal process.

F. Superintendent's Monthly Report

Superintendent Lyons noted the following in his monthly update:

- SAD #22 prepared a Press Release with the Newburgh Town Manager in regard to the transfer of K-3 children, public forums, and subsequent special town meeting.
- Emil and I held our bi-monthly meeting with Tri-22 discussing topics relevant to personnel, practices, policy, etc.
- Mr. Cox and I will report on the Education Foundation Interview Committee's decision for a finalist in the Coordinator's position.
- I attended a "Pay it Forward" presentation with select Hampden Academy students.
- Emil previously reported on our Food Service visit by the Maine State Department of Education.
- I participated in the quarterly meeting of the Board of Directors of New England Association of School Superintendents, as well as a monthly executive committee meeting of Maine School Superintendents Association. The Commissioner of Education's finance director presented to MSSA.
- I will not attend the February 2010 Meeting of the Governing Board of the National Superintendents Association.
- I intend to hold meetings with Penquis CAP and Waldo County Head Start Programs.
- Emil and I are formulating a proposal to present to the Board in regard to the capital campaign for Hampden Academy and M.S.A.D. #22.

G. Student Representative

Student representative Stephenson reviewed the following student matters/activities:

- Hampden Academy has again won the mock trail state championship
- Dancing "expectations/standards" at school dances

H. Assistant Superintendent's Update

Assistant Superintendent Genest reported on various school business matters including:

Proposed voting resolutions approving quality school construction/quality zone academic bonds (QSCB/QZAB) lease purchase agreement to pay for K-8 energy efficient project(s) and the McGraw window/door replacement project. A formal vote will occur on January 6, 2010.

VII. Questions of Board Members

None.

VIII. Executive Session

At 9:16 p.m., the Board voted to go into executive session to discuss negotiations in accordance with 1MRSA § 405(6)(D).

At 9:24 p.m., the Board reconvened into regular session. Board Chair, Tim Pease, distributed the Tri-22 teacher contract. He reviewed language relating to Article 4 grievance procedures and encouraged his fellow Board members to become familiar with its language.

IX. New Business

None.

X. Communication and Correspondence

A. Set Meeting Dates

Thursday, January 21, 2010 @ 6:00 p.m. – Building Committee at Hampden Academy Library

XI. 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.

None.

XII. Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned at 9:31 p.m.

Respectively Submitted,

Richard A. Lyons, Superintendent