

**Wells Town School District
Board of School Directors (Regular) Meeting**

May 21, 2008

Official Minutes of Regular Meeting

In Attendance: Karen Stomski, Tammy Holcomb, Principal Linda O'Leary.

Audience: Cherry Hopson.

1. Call to Order 7:05 pm.

Karen Stomski made a motion to accept Consent Agenda. Tammy Holcomb seconded, motion carried 2-0.

2. Consent Agenda:

- a. Approval of unofficial minutes of April 23rd (Regular and Continuation);
May 6th (Special).

May 6th (Special) changes: Add the 6 where the ? is at the top of the page.
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(It has been founded that the current placement is in deed accurate, there is no need to
modify the contract for 08-09 school year.

- b. Superintendent's Report – No written report.

c. Principal's Report –

1. Two faculty members have been working hard furthering their education at Castleton State College. On Sunday, May 18th Carol Wincowski graduated with a Master's Degree in Educational Leadership and Nicole Hadeka will receive her B.S. in Professional Studies in Health Science.

2. On May 14th we were able to hold another Free Clothing Store in our Library. I had received some brand new sandals and cloths to distribute along with the remnants of the children's clothing from the Dorset Church Rummage Sale.

3. We are now receiving bread to distribute on Thursday s as well as on Mondays. Peggy & Ken Littlewood transport the bread to school each time. Families are very thankful for this assistance. During the last month we also received a donation of six pork loins which were distributed to families, also. The generosity toward our school is amazing.

4. We have also received a very generous donation of \$300.00 to help provide healthy snacks for students who wouldn't otherwise have them.

5. Once again the Lions Club of Granville provided evergreen trees for each student in honor of Arbor Day. They also donated a lovely Lilac bush which we planted on the west side of the playground by the fence in memory of Mrs. Mary Bates.

6. The faculty was honored in many ways during Teacher Appreciation week including a delicious brunch presented by the PTO.

7. The NECAP Science Assessment was administered to the 4th Grade class on May 20, 21 & 22. The test included an inquiry (experiment) and data gathering

as well as multiple choice and short response questions. 2007 was the pilot year for this assessment so this will be the first year that we will receive results.

8. The Developmental Reading Assessment (DRA) was administered to the 2nd graders during the same time frame.

9. Our Memorial Day Parade will be held on Friday, May 23rd beginning at 10:30 a.m. The Granville American Legion and VFW will also be participating.

10. The teachers are in the midst of our final literacy assessments for this year using the POA and QRI. We will meet on May 27th to review the data.

11. I will be accompanying the 5th & 6th graders on the VT Studies Field Trip on June 6th & 7th. The itinerary will include visits to the Lake Champlain Maritime Museum, The Shelburne Museum, The Leahy Echo Center and a historic tour of Lake Champlain aboard the Ethan Allen II. After reviewing our previous trips and looking at ways to reduce the cost, we decided to limit this trip to two days versus the previous three day trips. As you can tell we have filled the two days to capacity with meaningful, educational experiences that are closely tied to the curriculum.

12. Step-Up Day is scheduled for Monday, June 9th. Incoming kindergarten students have been invited to participate. They may ride the bus and stay for the entire morning including lunch. This is another step in this important transition.

13. Lake Day is scheduled for Thursday, June 12th with a rain date of Monday, June 16th.

14. Graduation is scheduled for Tuesday evening, June 17th.

15. Our last day of school is Wednesday, June 18th. Classroom awards will be held at 9:30, followed by our Celebration of Success Ceremony which will be held at 10:15. Everyone is invited to picnic at 11:00 a.m. and dismissal is at noon.

Per Principal Linda O'Leary's written memo.

Summer School will be held July 8th through August 7th from 8:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday.

d. Business Manager's Report – No written report.

3. General Public Comments –
None

4. Old Business -
None

5. New business -

a. Requests for reimbursement of Drivers Education Course Costs.

Neda Combs is requesting a reimbursement of \$400.00 for Drivers Education Course for daughter J Combs. Submitted with a receipt and a certificate of completion.

Lisa Brill is requesting a reimbursement of \$500.00 for Drivers Education Course for daughter C Brill. Submitted with a receipt and a certificate of completion. Tammy Holcomb made a motion to reimburse the cost of both J Combs and C Brill request. D Brill reimbursement is denied due to the length of time since course taken. Karen Stomski seconded, motion carried 2-0.

b. Principal Linda O'Leary distributed the next calendar year calendar.

Discussion followed. Tammy Holcomb made a suggestion to continue school session two extra days in December (reducing Christmas Vacation by two), in order to end school session in June two days earlier.

Policies and Procedures – Tammy Holcomb would like to go over and update all policies and procedures. Requesting that a few be placed on the agenda for the next meetings to go over. Principal Linda O'Leary will be making up the list of items to be placed on the agenda.

Tammy Holcomb made a motion to reimburse the parents of a student with special needs for mileage to program. Karen Stomski seconded, motion carried 2-0.

6. Action on Personnel Contract –

Tammy Holcomb made a motion to amend a motion made on May 6th to offer the reading teacher position a .6 FTE instead of a .69 FTE. Karen Stomski seconded, motion carried 2-0.

a. New Hires – None

b. Resignations – Martha Williams (Part-time Custodian)
Carol Wincowski (Teacher)

Tammy Holcomb made a motion to accept the resignations with regrets from Martha Williams and Carol Wincowski. Karen Stomski seconded, motion carried 2-0.

Tammy Holcomb made a motion to allow Principal Linda O'Leary to advertise in the Manchester Newspapers the part time custodian position. Karen Stomski seconded, motion carried 2-0.

c. Termination - None

7. Executive Session -

Moved into executive session at 7:57 p.m.

8. Other Lawful Business -

10. Set next Regular Board Meeting and Agenda Building for next meeting -

Next meeting will be on June 16th at 7 p.m.

11. Adjournment -

Tammy Holcomb made a motion to move into executive session at 7:57 p.m. for personnel reasons. Karen Stomski seconded, motion carried 2-0.

Continuation from Karen Stomski to follow.

Respectfully Submitted,

Lisa M Clark
Recording Secretary