

Wells Town School District
Board of Directors
March 17, 2010
Official Minutes

Attendance: Tammy Holcomb, Karen Stomski, Linda O'Leary (Principal), Joan Paustian (Superintendent), Louis Milazzo (Business Manager), Elizabeth Ambuhl (Recording Secretary)

Charity Downs arrived at 7:23pm.

Audience: Tracey Tinsley

1. Call to Order: Tammy Holcomb called the meeting to order at 7:05 pm.

2. Reorganize Board

a. Election of Board Officers:

i. Chair. Karen Stomski nominated Tammy Holcomb for Board Chair, second by Tammy Holcomb. All in favor. Tammy Holcomb is Board Chair.

ii. Vice Chair. Karen Stomski nominated Charity Downs for Vice Chair, second by Tammy Holcomb. All in favor. Charity Downs is Vice Chair.

iii. Clerk. Tammy Holcomb nominated Karen Stomski for Clerk. All in favor. Karen Stomski is Clerk.

b. Set Schedule for Regular Monthly Meetings.

The schedule for regular monthly meetings is set for the second Wednesday of each month at 7:00pm.

c. Appointment of RSWSU Board Representatives;

Tammy Holcomb made a motion, seconded by Karen Stomski, that all three board members be appointed to the RSWSU Board of Representatives. All in favor. Motion carried 2-0.

1. Systems Management: Karen Stomski

2. Finance Committee: Tammy Holcomb

3. Human Resources Committee: Charity Downs

d. Tammy Holcomb made a motion second by Karen Stomski to appoint Nora Sargent as the School District Treasurer. All in favor. Motion carried 2-0.

e. Tammy Holcomb made a motion to appoint WVNR and the Rutland Herald as the media/newspaper of record, second by Karen Stomski. All in favor. Motion carried 2-0.

f. Tammy Holcomb made a motion, second by Karen Stomski, to appoint Norm Brown as the Truant Officer, upon his approval. All in favor. Motion carried 2-0.

g. Tammy Holcomb made a motion, second by Karen Stomski, to reaffirm Roberts Rules of Order.

Consent Agenda:

Karen Stomski made a motion, seconded by Tammy Holcomb , to accept the consent agenda. Motioned carried 2-0.

B. Superintendent's Report

Joan Paustin reported that the VSBA training will occur on the 1st or 28th of April. March in-service is scheduled for Friday March 19, 2010. Superintendent Paustin met with the team conducting the technology audit who commented on the capable leadership at the Wells School.

C. Principal's Report (No written report)

Linda O'Leary highlighted that Wells was a Grand Prize Winner in the Price Chopper Tools for Schools competition and will be recognized on April 22 at our local Price Chopper. We have chosen to spend our points on three Elmos and 3 digital cameras. We will also receive a paper shredder. All together the donations total approximately \$3,500.

The playground equipment fund is still receiving donations and is moving forward.

Other activities at the school include two new afterschool programs , EEE Screenings, Book Fair Sales, and the Girls on the Run program.

D. Business Manager's Report (No Written Report)

I. Financial Statements: Will be provided at the April Meeting.

II. Approve warrants.

- 1. Warrant # 78 in the amount of \$25,487.79 dated 1/29/10
- 2. Warrant # 79 in the amount of \$16, 343.09 dated 2/12/10
- 3. Warrant # 80 in the amount of %66,085.12 dated 2/26/10

Karen Stomski made a motion, second by Charity Downs to approve the warrants. Motion carried 3-0.

5. General Public: None

Teachers: Tracie Tinsley

The administrators met with Joan Paustian and Tracey Tinsley to discuss the PE Program for next year. Wells will be searching for a new Physical Education teacher.

4. New Business:

- a. Karen Stomski made a motion to approve the sub list, second by Charity Downs. Motion carried 3-0.
- b. Tammy Holcomb made a motion, second by Charity Downs, to accept the three year contract with VT Digital for the copier. Motion carried 3-0.

The physical education position at Wells School will be posted and the board will be involved in the final hiring decision. The hiring committee will include Tracey, a teacher, a student, and a community member.

Steps were discussed for the minutes especially the continuation minutes. It was agreed that the continuation minutes will be emailed to Liz and then Liz will email the corrections to Jan to put with the final minutes.

Linda O'Leary will be presenting the NECAP results in April.

A copy of the Wells Town Meeting minutes will be requested to verify a comment regarding the school by John Malcomb. Any further action will await the final town meeting minutes.

7. Old Business.

- a. Basement Work: The interior work in the basement has been completed . The floor is currently being painted and shelves are being discussed.

- b. Water Treatment. Charity Downs made a motion, second by Karen Stomski, to accept the bid for the design work from Otter Creek Engineering dependent on the O and M manual and price from Otter Creek . Motion carried 3-0.
The board would like to see a monthly report on the progress and financials for the project.

- c. Exterior Work. Linda O'Leary will bring to the board next month the prioritized project list for interior and exterior work. The board suggested forming a building committee to oversee the projects.

Tammy Holcomb requested a ten minute break. Meeting called back to order at 8:44pm

8. Polices: None

9. New Hires: None
Resignations: None
Termination: None
Leave of Absence: None

10. Other Lawful Business: None

11. Executive Session: Tammy Holcomb made a motion, second by Charity Downs, to enter into executive session at 8:50 pm to discuss Personnel negotiations and legal issues.

12. Next Regular Board Meeting (April 7, 2010 at 7:00pm)

Respectively Submitted,

Elizabeth Ambuhl