



QUABBIN REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

School Committee Meeting
Minutes – January 7, 2010
Educational Support Center

PRESENT

Chairman Edward Leonard	Member, Hubbardston
Lee Wolanin	Member, Barre
Mark Brophy	Member, Barre
John Barringer	Member, Oakham
Paula Bolger	Member, Barre
Ned Kelly	Member, Hardwick
Dr. Thomas Tashjian	Member, Oakham
Peggy Thompson	Member, New Braintree
Timothy Williams	Member, Hubbardston
Mark Wigler	Member, Hubbardston
Cheryl Wolfe	Member, Hardwick

ALSO PRESENT

Dr. Maureen Marshall	Superintendent of Schools
Cheryl Duval	Director of Administrative Services
Natalie Marton	Student Representative, QRHS
Juliette Pascale	Student Representative, QRHS
District Administrators/Staff	
QRTA Representative	
Press	

ABSENT

Robert Dupuis	Member, Hardwick
Dr. Richard Allan	Member, Barre
Charles Miller	Member, Barre

I. The meeting was called to order by at 7:37 PM

II. **Approval of Minutes**

A motion was made by Lee Wolanin and seconded by Tim Williams to approve the minutes of December 14, 2009 as amended.

The motion passed by a vote of 10-0-1. Dr. Tashjian abstained.

III. Administrative Reports

- a) Superintendent of Schools – The Superintendent informed the Committee that the 2nd cut to Ch. 71 (regional transportation) has been restored. She thanked area legislators for their support and assistance in getting these funds restored.

She updated the committee on the Oakham roof project. Work is expected to begin on the 3rd week in June.

Clare Barnes updated the committee on the water system problem at Oakham Center School. School was canceled today to repair the system. The repairs were completed & water sanitized. School will reopen tomorrow. Bottled water will be used for the next couple of days while water is tested. The Superintendent commended the Plant & Facilities Dept. for their work as well as the Oakham Selectmen for their assistance with a quick resolution to the problem. The cost of the repair is estimated at \$10,000. 1 ½ days of school were lost at Oakham Center School due to the problem.

The Superintendent updated the Committee on the Statement of Interest filed for the QRHS/MS roof & panels. An engineer will be brought in to assess the safety of the roof. The district will go to the towns in May for approval. The hope is to begin the repair to the roof & panels during the summer of 2011.

- b) Director of Administrative Services –
 1. Presentation of Warrants: AP Warrants 12 & 13 and Payroll Warrants 16 & 17 were signed by the Warrant Subcommittee.
- c) Teachers Advisory Council – No report was given.
- d) Student Advisory Council – Natalie Martone and Juliette Pascale presented the student report.

IV. Subcommittee Reports

- a) Administrative Review Subcommittee – Mark Brophy reviewed the Race to the Top federal grant initiative. The subcommittee unanimously supported pursuing the Race to the Top application. This grant application requires the approval of the School Committee, Teachers Association and Supt. The Teachers' Association continues to discuss their interest in this initiative. Ed Leonard stated that this is an important initiative and indicated that any of the parties can opt out of the process at any time.

A motion was made by Mark Brophy and seconded by Lee Wolanin to support the signature of the Memorandum of Understanding to fulfill the Race to the Top Grant application requirement.

The motion passed unanimously.

- b) Alternative Funding Adhoc Subcommittee – The next meeting will be held on Feb. 1st at 6:30 PM
- c) Audit/Central Office Subcommittee – No report was given.

- d) Policy, Review and Reform Subcommittee – The next meeting will be held on February 1st at 7:30 PM
- e) Barre Building Subcommittee – No report was given.
- f) Budget Subcommittee – Meetings have been set up on the following dates: January 27th and February 4th at 7:30 PM.
- g) Collective Bargaining Subcommittee –No report was given
- h) Plants & Facilities Subcommittee - A meeting will be held in January. Date to be determined.
- i) Special Education Subcommittee – The next meeting will be held on February 4th at 6:30 PM
- j) Technology Subcommittee – The next meeting will be held on January 27th at 6:30 PM

5) **Unfinished Business**

Mr. Williams asked for a copy of the most recent PSAT results. Principal Tencza will forward the requested information.

6) **School Committee Concerns** – No action was taken.

7) **New Business**

- a) Race to the Top Grant: Approval of Memorandum of Understanding
This item was addressed earlier in the agenda.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Mark Brophy and seconded by Lee Wolanin to adjourn.

The motion passed unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 8:10 PM

Respectfully submitted,

Nancy A. Landry, Secretary