



QUABBIN REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

School Committee Special Meeting

Minutes – October 8, 2009

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
	Charles Miller	Member, Barre
	Timothy Williams	Member, Hubbardston
	Mark Wigler	Member, Hubbardston

ALSO PRESENT

Dr. Maureen Marshall	Superintendent of Schools
Cheryl Duval	Director of Administrative Services
District Administrators	
QRTA Representatives	
Community Members	
Town Officials	
Press	

ABSENT

Dr. Richard Allan	Member, Barre
Robert Dupuis	Member, Hardwick
Dr. Thomas Tashjian	Member, Oakham
Peggy Thompson	Member, New Braintree
Cheryl Wolfe	Member, Hardwick

I. The meeting was called to order at 7:34 PM

II. Approval of Minutes

A motion was made by John Barringer and seconded by Timothy Williams to approve the minutes of September 17, 2009

The motion passed 8-0-1. Mr. Wolanin abstained.

III. Administrative Reports

- a) Superintendent of Schools – The report was deferred to later
- b) Director of Administrative Services –
 - 1. Presentation of Warrants: Payroll 9 and AP 9 were signed by the warrant subcommittee. Payroll 10, and AP 7 were presented.
 - 2. Audit Report – Richard Sullivan, Partner for the Auditing Firm Powers & Sullivan, reviewed the FY09 audit report, financial statement and federal report.
- c) Teachers Advisory Council – No report was given.
- d) Student Advisory Council – No report was given.

IV. Subcommittee Reports

- a) Administrative Review Subcommittee – No report was given.
- b) Alternative Funding Adhoc Subcommittee – Charles Miller presented an update on the October 5th meeting.
- c) Audit/Central Office Subcommittee
 - 1. Lee Wolanin summarized the results of the Audit Subcommittee meeting held earlier this evening.

A motion was made by Lee Wolanin and seconded by Mark Brophy to accept the audit as presented with accolades to Cheryl Duval and her staff for a job well done.

The motion passed unanimously.

- 2. Cheryl Duval reviewed the Moody's Report Bond Rating. The District maintained its A3 rating.
- 3. Compensation for Acting Superintendent

A motion was made by Lee Wolanin and seconded by Ned Kelly to compensate Cheryl Duval for her services as Acting Superintendent from April 29, 2009 to August 10, 2009 in the amount of \$9,439.52.

The motion passed unanimous.

- d) Policy, Review and Reform Subcommittee
 - 1. Mark Brophy presented an update on the October 5th meeting of the Policy, Review & Reform Subcommittee. The committee voted to pursue the Superintendent's recommendation to go forward with Moodle (electronic classroom). The harassment/sexual harassment policy was also reviewed by the subcommittee. The next meeting will be held on Monday, November 2nd at 7:30 PM. Graduation requirements, class rank, and recognition of valedictorian/salutatorian will be reviewed at the next meeting.
 - 2. Sexual Harassment Policy

A motion was made by Mark Brophy and seconded by Ned Kelly to table the Harassment/Sexual Harassment Policy.

The motion passed unanimously.

- e) Barre Building Subcommittee – No report was given
- f) Budget Subcommittee – No report was given.
- g) Collective Bargaining Subcommittee – No report was given.
- h) Plants & Facilities Subcommittee
 - 1. The Superintendent updated the Committee on the Oakham roof project. No action was taken by the Committee.
 - 2. Authorization to File Statement of Interest

The following motion was made by Ned Kelly and seconded by Lee Wolanin:

Resolved: Having convened in an open meeting on October 8, 2009, the Regional School Committee of Quabbin Regional School District, in accordance with its charter, by-laws, and ordinances, has voted to authorize the Superintendent to submit to the Massachusetts School Building Authority the Statement of Interest dated October 8, 2009 for the Quabbin Regional High School located at 800 South Street, Barre, MA 01005 which describes and explains the following deficiencies and the priority category(s) for which Quabbin Regional School District may be invited to apply to the Massachusetts School Building Authority in the future (Priority 1: repair and/or replacement of the atrium roof and the repair and/or replacement of the architectural panels at the Quabbin Regional High School; and hereby further specifically acknowledges that by submitting this Statement of Interest, the Massachusetts School Building Authority in no way guarantees the acceptance or the approval of an application, the awarding of a grant or any other funding commitment from the Massachusetts School Building Authority, or commits the City/Town Regional School District to filing an application for funding with the Massachusetts School Building Authority.

A roll call vote was taken:

Lee Wolanin-yes; Mark Brophy-yes; Paula Bolger-yes; John Barringer-yes; Charles Miller-yes; Timothy Williams-yes; Ned Kelly-yes; Edward Leonard-yes.

The motion passed unanimously.

- i) Special Education Subcommittee – No report was given.
- j) Technology Subcommittee – No report was given.

V. Unfinished Business

Sam Lipson, Barre Resident, addressed the Committee relative to collective bargaining units assisting with the budget. Mark Brophy provided a summary of discussions with the collective bargaining units. All units have been very responsive.

VI. School Committee Concerns – No action by the Committee

VII. New Business

- a) October 1st Enrollment – The Superintendent reviewed the October 1, 2009 enrollment numbers and average class sizes.
- b) District Goals – The Superintendent reviewed the District Goals. Committee members provided input.
- c) Graduation Requirements – The Superintendent informed the Committee that the administration will bring forth a recommendation at the November meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

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

The motion passed unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 9:37 PM

Respectfully submitted,

Nancy A. Landry, Secretary