



QUABBIN REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
School Committee Minutes
Thursday, April 12, 2012
Educational Support Center

PRESENT

Mark Brophy	Member, Barre
John Barringer	Member, Oakham
Ned Kelly	Member, Hardwick
Charles Miller	Member, Barre
Richard Paula	Member, Barre
Marcelino (Tex) Sarabia	Member, Hardwick
Donald Stolgitis	Member, Hardwick
Peggy Thompson	Member, New Braintree
Mark Wigler	Member, Hubbardston
Timothy Williams	Member, Hubbardston

ALSO PRESENT

Dr. Maureen Marshall	Superintendent of Schools
Cheryl Duval	Director of Administrative Services
Sheila Muir	Assistant Superintendent
District Administrators/Staff	
Town Officials	
Townpeople	
Press	

1. Mark Brophy called the meeting to order at 7:33 PM.
2. Mr. Richard Paula, newly elected member representing Barre, was introduced to the Committee.
3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion was made by Ned Kelly and seconded by John Barringer to approve the minutes of March 8, 2012.

The motion passed by a vote of 6-0-2. Mr. Sarabia and Mr. Williams abstained. Mr. Stolgitis was not present for the vote.

4. ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS
 - a) Superintendent of Schools
 - Superintendent's Report
 - b) Assistant Superintendent
 - Mrs. Muir provided an update on the recent accountability audit conducted by the DESE and the QRHS Principal Search.
 - c) Director of Administrative Services
 - Presentation of Warrants
 - Director's Report

- d) Teacher Advisory Council - Dot Verheyen-Cudjoe distributed a handout from MTA on the new evaluation process for teachers. She thanked the Committee for the opportunity to meet with MTA representatives regarding the process.
- e) Student Advisory Council - No report was presented.

5. SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS

- a) Administrative Review – No report was presented.
- b) Audit - No report was presented.
- c) Budget - Mark Brophy provided an update on the FY13 budget process and the results of the meeting held earlier this evening. He stated that we will need to have a 2/3 vote of the Committee to change the budget.
- d) Central Office – Mark Brophy provided an update on the April 5th Central Office Subcommittee meeting. A representative from Hampshire Council of Governments provided the Subcommittee with information on solar projects. Mr. Burnett stated that several companies offer this service. With the assistance of the Hampshire Council of Governments, the District will put together an RFP. Mr. Burnett reviewed the RFP timeline. A brief discussion ensued.
- e) Collective Bargaining – No report was given.
- f) Plant & Facilities – A meeting of the Plant & Facilities Subcommittee will be held on April 30th. Representatives from DOER will be invited to attend to discuss what grants are available. The Supt. informed the Committee that the District received paperwork from MSBA regarding Ruggles Lane Roof Project (through the MSBA accelerated repair grant program). An OPM & designer will be selected and a Building Committee formed.
- g) Policy Review/Reform – The Supt. reported that she and Dr. Allan have met to go over policy revisions for the remaining policy sections. They will meet again and in the fall bring policy recommendations to the full committee.
- h) Special Education – No report was given.
- i) Technology - No report was given.

6. UNFINISHED BUSINESS – No action was taken.

7. PUBLIC COMMENT - No public comment was offered.

8. SCHOOL COMMITTEE CONCERNS

- Mr. Miller asked about the timeline for superintendent search. Mr. Brophy reported that the Chair has delegated the Central Office Subcommittee to decide on the process for the superintendent search. He stated that the Chair will be meeting with Supt. Marshall to negotiate a contract for her services during the transition.

9. NEW BUSINESS

- a) 2012-2013 Proposed Calendar – Request for approval

A motion was made by John Barringer and seconded by Rick Paula to approve the 2012-2013 school calendar.

A discussion ensued.

The Supt. informed the Committee that the calendar had been reviewed by the QRTA.

The Supt. explained the changes to the proposed calendar and the need for additional professional development time.

A discussion on the early release time ensued.

The motion passed unanimously.

10. ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by John Barringer and seconded by Tim Williams to adjourn.

The motion passed unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 8:45 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Nancy Landry, Secretary