

- b. Finance: None
- c. Transportation: None
- d. Student Affairs: None
- e. Special Education: None
- f. Curriculum: None
- g. **Personnel:**

The committee met this evening to review the hiring of new teachers to present to the board under Personnel Action; approval of new teacher nominations for 2013-2014.

h. **Facilities:**

Dave Powers spoke about receiving \$8,500 in Federal grant money for upgrading security system at Denmark School. They will be installing 911 buttons in classroom as a starting point. Dean Schasel questioned if it was wise to be spending this money with a new building project and possible school consolidation. Dave added that we need to spend the grant money or we will lose it and also added that without a full-time principal at Denmark, it made sense to limit access to the front entrance with video surveillance.

i. **Ad-Hoc Building Committee Update:**

Jay reported the 1st public informational meeting regarding the building project was held in Fryeburg. The meeting went well with good questions being asked by the public. It is important that both plan B and C be presented clearly and without bias so that people are well informed. There was much discussion among board members regarding building project, including: State funding of roughly 66% of the cost; the financial impact on the towns of Sweden, Lovell, Stoneham and Denmark. Kevin Smethurst asked if it was possible to put a hold on future spending for this project until more questions were answered. Jay said he would look into it.

5. Administrative Reports:

Review/Discussion of NCLB Grant No Child Left Behind Grant:

Title I will be used to support school wide plans at New Suncook and Snow. This money supports salaries for a literacy teacher and educational technicians in each of these schools. Denmark School has the same amount of support but it is funded through local funds.

Title IIA supports a classroom teacher under class-size reduction, which helps offset some District costs. The rest of the money is used for professional development at both Fryeburg Academy and MSAD #72. In the District, our focus addresses the practices that are inherent in the Common Core standards in ELA and math and the Next Generation Science Framework. In all of these areas, the standards were intended to not just rearrange the content, but to have a major shift in the practices that we use to teach the content. There is a great deal of overlap among the practices in the three areas. Many of the practices can be used in all content areas. Rather than trying to look at all of the practices in each subject area, we will be focusing on

areas where there is overlap. Our first area of focus in the Fall will be the following cluster of related practices:

E3 Read, write and speak grounded in evidence

M3 and E4 Construct viable arguments and critique reasoning of others

S7 Engage in argument from evidence

The second part of the year the focus will be on math practices in particular. We will be working with a consultant from the Maine Math Science Alliance to facilitate this work.

6. Superintendent's Report:

Goal Setting for 2013-2014

Jay handed out an informational sheet regarding MSAD 72 Action Plan for goal-setting. Principals will be holding meetings throughout the district to share information regarding report cards. Administrators will work with sub-committees in goal setting and implementation. Also Administrators will keep the Board informed as to goal progress at the individual schools.

7. New Business:

a. Discussion of Pre-Kindergarten programming as part of the new-building project. We will move forward with the assumption that there will be Pre-K programming in the new building. There was discussion on whether the District would have to fund Pre-K programming. A motion was made to keep Pre-Kindergarten programming in the new building specifications, with the understanding that the District would not be required to fund the program.

Motion: Laurie Weston Seconded: Marie Struven The motion passed
(14 in favor, 3 opposed)

b. PKA request that they be able to offer archery.

Jay received this request right before meeting. He asked for the board's input. Board felt as long as it was well-supervised and age appropriate it would be fine to offer archery for the PKA program.

7. Unfinished Business:

Approve Educational Specifications for the building project.

Motion: Ed Spooner Seconded: Laurie Weston The motion passed

8. Personnel Action:

Approval of new teacher nominations for the 2013-2014 school year:

Motion to approve new teachers:

Craig Bryan – Instrumental/Choral Music

Carolyn Findeisen – 8th Grade Math

Christina Zahn – District Music

Darlene Martino –Special Services at New Suncook

Motion: Norma Snow

Seconded: John Carter

The motion passed

9. Agenda Planning/Adjournment:

Next Meeting: September 25, 2013

Finance Committee to meet as well. No date set.

Motion to adjourn was made/seconded. Meeting ended at 8:20.

Meeting Guidelines

*Listen for understanding

*Question for clarification

*Respect – time and each other

*Engage differences

*Take care of your own personal needs