

The Board of Directors met for a regular meeting on Wednesday, April 11, 2012, at the C. A. Snow School in Fryeburg, Maine.

The following members were present:

Pat White, Chair	Kathiann Shorey
Marie Struven	Michelle Mattei
Lisa Thompson	Kevan Smethurst
Linda Card	Bob Steller
Jane Williams	Laurie B. Weston
Dean Schasel	Ed Spooner
Steven Dupuis	Jim Stacy
Norma Snow	Anne Trumbull
Laura Lucy	Kathleen D Lyman
Kevin Smethurst	John S. H. Carter

The following member was absent:

Helen Ramsdell

Also present:

Superintendent, Gary MacDonald; Principals, Rhonda Poliquin and Emily Kirkpatrick; Special Education Director, Nancy Hall; and Business Manager, Madeline Bassett.

Pat White, Chair, opened the meeting at 7:00 p.m., declared a quorum, and welcomed the visitors.

15 – minute discussion

Ed Kruger and Jen Leach spoke separately and asked questions related to the curriculums, grading of students, and parent input.

Approval of March 21, 2012

Not available at this time

Communications

Chris Gordon, Fryeburg Academy Trustee, has asked if he and Gregg Floyd, Consultant, could come to the May 9th board meeting. Mr. Floyd would like to speak to the board about the search for a replacement for the Headmaster position following Dan Lee's retirement in 2013.

Committee reports

Personnel – Lisa Thompson

None

Special Education – Nancy Hall

The committee is meeting tomorrow at 2:30 p.m.

The interview committee for a Special Education Director will be meeting the week after April vacation and hope to have a recommendation in May at the board meeting.

Facilities

None

Transportation

None

Finance – Laurie Weston

None

Administrative Report

The Brownfield / Denmark School students have been involved in "Big Stories in Two Little Towns." This program is just like the one that took place at the New Suncook School two years ago. The students learn the history of their towns and meet with local residents who have stories to tell and interesting activities that take place today and took place years ago.

The Denmark Art Center will be hanging murals painted by the students reflecting what they learned from the program.

The Molly Ockett Middle School is presenting their musical, "The Wonderful Wizard of Oz," tonight, tomorrow night, and Friday night. Heather Sheehan, Director, has been directing the musicals for a number of years and does a wonderful job.

Unfinished business

- a) Review / Approval of 2012 – 2013 School District budget

Bob Steller moved, seconded by Norma Snow, to approve the 2012 – 2013 budget in the amount of \$15,790,621.00.

Ed Spooner moved, seconded by Anne Trumbull, to amend the motion and add \$10,000.00 to the budget for a total of \$15,800,621 and apply the \$10,000.00 to the Food Service account and not increase the cost of lunch that students would have to pay and keep the price for lunch at \$2.25.

The motion passed with 562 votes in favor and 481 votes against.

b) Policy Review: second reading and approval

The board agreed to wait until the May 9th board meeting to read and approve the policies: BED Board Meeting Procedures; DBGA Budget and Annual Information Reporting; GCG Substitute Professional Staff Employment; JFABB Admission of Exchange and Foreign Students.

c) Discussion of Fryeburg Academy Contract

Norma Snow moved, seconded by Jim Stacy, to enter executive session per 1 MRSA § 405 (6) (E) Consultation between school unit and its attorney.

The board entered executive session at 8:10 p.m.

The board came out of executive session at 8:35 p.m.

It was moved and seconded to adjourn.

The meeting adjourned at 8:36 p.m.

Respectfully submitted

Madeline Bassett

Recording Secretary

