

MINUTES

BOARD OF EDUCATION

Regular Meeting – October 19, 2015

6 p.m. - Jr-Sr High School Large Group Instruction Room

PRESENT: Jeremy Putorti, James Brooks, Frank Barber, Amy Austin, Virginia Rivette, Pat Norton, Tony Scrimo, Michael Rocque
Samantha Kingsley

ALSO PRESENT: William F. Scott, Interim Superintendent of Schools
Mark Doody, Interim Jr-Sr High School Principal
Richard Trowbridge, Elementary Principal
Gregg Chappell, CSE Coordinator

Mr. Putorti called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Under Board President's Comments

An overview of the recent meetings from the Audit Finance Committee, Buildings & Grounds Committee and Technology Committee were given by Mrs. Rivette, Mr. Barber and Mrs. Austin, respectively. They were also included in September's minutes.

Mr. Putorti introduced the Grade 6 Team consisting of Ethan Burgess, Amy Durkee, Christine Hoagland, Karen Northrop, Elizabeth Campagnone and Topher Montville. Their presentation focused on their team teaching approach and new and exciting ways to help their students achieve better with the Common Core Standards.

The Back Pack program was kicked off and a thank you to all who participated in the success of the program.

There was discussion regarding the request from Robert Hemsing and Heather Ernenwein regarding a planned 10th grade trip to Washington DC in March. The Board tabled the request to move forward until more information is gathered.

There was no correspondence

Under Board & Staff Reports

Because the Auditors have not submitted their opening entries, bank statements are not available

Moved by James Brooks, seconded by Virginia Rivette and carried unanimously to Approve the bills for payment for all funds.
9 yes

Moved by Samantha Kingsley, seconded by James Brooks and carried unanimously to approve the Board minutes of 9/28 & 10/8/2015.

9 yes

Moved by Virginia Rivette, seconded by Patricia Norton and carried unanimously to Approve the CSE/CPSE Minutes of 9/22, 9/24, 9/29, 10/10/8, 10/13/15 with redactions to certain reports.

9 yes

Moved by Virginia Rivette, seconded by Samantha Kingsley and carried unanimously to Appoint Stephanie Abare as a substitute Bus Driver.

9 yes

SUBSTITUTES

Moved by James Brooks, seconded by Tony Scrimo and carried unanimously to Appoint the following department chairs
John Mead – Science Department
Robyn Melton – Social Studies Department
Sarah Haley – Math Department
Karen Short – English Department
Their stipend will be pro-rated to \$1,721.25

9 yes

APPOINTMENTS

Moved by Virginia Rivette seconded by Pat Norton and carried unanimously to appoint The following co-curricular personnel.

Sonya Cook – Ski Club Advisor

Nicole Egan – Cheerleading Co-Coach

Megan Rozell – Cheerleading Co-Coach

9 yes

Moved by Samantha Kingsley, seconded by James Brooks and carried unanimously to approve The request from Chad Monty representing the Whitehall Youth League to use the Jr-Sr High and Elementary School Gym during the months of December, January and February For boys and girls basketball. Mr. Redmond will assign the Dates and times to avoid any conflicts.

9 yes

USE OF FACILITY

Moved by Virginia Rivette, seconded by James Brooks and carried unanimously to approve To reissue tax bills that were incorrect due to clerical errors

On the part of Washington County Real Property Tax Services.
9 yes

Moved by Samantha Kingsley, seconded by
Pat Norton and carried unanimously to approve the
Issuance of refunds on paid incorrect tax bills per Washington
County Real Property Tax Services.
9 yes

Under Items of Discussion –
Mr. Barber extended congratulations to the Football Team & Coaches
Mrs. Austin spoke on the Back Pack Program and also brought up the
Subject of creating short term and long term goals for the District.
Mrs. Austin also asked for descriptions of the Department Chairs for the
The Jr-Sr High School

Under Visitors' Comments –
Mrs. Pam Putorti asked about the plans for the dugouts and heard that they were going to
be constructed using fencing which she felt would not resist the weather elements as well
as a the original plan of cement block construction. She was assured that a barrier would
be added to fend off rain and wind. She also asked if a small storage facility would be
made available to store soccer and softball equipment in the off season.

Moved by James Brooks, seconded by
Virginia Rivette and carried unanimously to
Adjourn at 7:02 p.m.
9 yes

Martha P. Bascue
District Clerk