

MINUTES

PRESENT: Chairman Tina Peabody; Board Members Larry Kaplan, Christine Ash, Toni Butterfield, Steve Morrison; Superintendent Paul MacMillan; Business Manager Sandy Stone.

Chairman Peabody called the Board meeting to order at 5:45 PM.

PUBLIC INPUT – None

MOTION BY TONI BUTTERFIELD, SECONDED BY CHRISTINE ASH TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE NOVEMBER 4, 2010 MEETING AS WRITTEN. ALL IN FAVOR, MOTION CARRIED.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Superintendent MacMillan distributed copies of his written report for Board information and review briefing them on the contents and fielding questions as necessary.

Superintendent MacMillan advised the Board that Mr. Trombly, the landlord of Mt. Eustis Commons, stopped by the SAU office just prior to the Christmas holiday and asked "how soon can you move?" He has rented our current space to the North County Health Consortium. Superintendent MacMillan advised Mr. Trombly that we will need time to arrange for the movement of the technology and communications equipment which it is his understanding will take six to eight weeks. He further explained to Mr. Trombly that due to budget hearings, annual meetings and mediation sessions, this is not a good time but that we will do our best to accommodate him. The SAU Staff will be meeting on Friday to discuss the move. They will also be discussing what each individual office will not be taking due to the downsizing of space. Superintendent MacMillan also sought Board input into what they would like to do with the conference room furniture as we will no longer have a space to accommodate it. A brief discussion ensued. Superintendent MacMillan is looking at Crowley Moving Company of Plymouth who have moved the SAU office in the past, first to Main Street and then to our current location. Superintendent MacMillan will let the Board know the cost of the move once the SAU has met with the representative from Crowley. It was the consensus of the Board to allow the SAU to move forward and utilize the services of a professional moving company to handle the move along with the needs and assistance to move the technology and communications equipment..

Superintendent MacMillan called the Board's attention to the SAU Technology Audit which was forwarded to them in their agenda packets along with a response from the current contracted service IT Coordinator. Superintendent MacMillan noted that he was pleased with the scope of the audit and advised that Jeremy Noyes and Autie Hamilton will come and report directly to the Board if they so wish. Superintendent MacMillan further advised the Board that he sees the audit providing two, possibly three, directions for the SAU to take. The first would be to maintain the status quo with services remaining as they are now. The second would be a more challenging journey ultimately resulting in the hiring of a Technology Coordinator who would work with all the building technology coordinators to develop an SAU wide network, coordinate software usage SAU wide and purchase and maintain hardware/software for the SAU and all districts. This choice would improve coordination and communication and has the potential to

save money. The third choice along with creative approaches will be discussed in Non-Public Session. Following a brief discussion, Chairman Peabody stated that this is a beginning; we have options to review and work towards a plan. We have now started communication which was the reason for the audit and can now move forward.

Superintendent MacMillan advised the Board that the proposed 2011-2012 School Calendar has been presented to all Boards with the exception of Profile and has been received favorably. The Boards have voted to adopt the calendar as presented approving the opening day, vacations, etc. individual districts will be looking at the staff development days based on the number of these included in their negotiated agreements. Following a brief discussion the Board tabled their approval until the February meeting to allow Profile time to address the proposed calendar.

Superintendent MacMillan thanked all Boards and school administrators for their involvement in the development of the Bullying Policies. PRIMEX, our Insurance Carrier, is in possession of each districts policy and were very impressed with the quality of each of them. Bullying training has been scheduled for the staff in each district as to what their roles and responsibilities are when it comes to the new law and the policies. This training will be provided by PRIMEX free of charge to the school districts. Landaff and Lisbon will be held on January 14, 2011 and Bethlehem, Lafayette, and Profile will be held on February 7, 2011. Both of these will be held after school hours and attendance is mandatory.

Superintendent MacMillan again thanked the Boards for their help and support in the development and passing of the SAU budget for the 2011-2012 school year.

Superintendent MacMillan called the Board's attention to the SAU 35 Economic Impact Sheet attached to his written report. Superintendent MacMillan prepared this summary to provide the Board members with information on the impacts which we have no control over. He intends to pass this along to the mediators in the currently schedule mediation sessions for three of our unions and then on to the fact finders if necessary.

Superintendent MacMillan advised the Board that the Grade Level / Subject Alike workshops have basically been completed with only world languages left to be scheduled. Each of the groups was actively involved in discussions, sharing of best practices, and planning for the future. He has had numerous favorable comments from staff members at all levels appreciating the chance to have these workshops and eager to continue them in the future.

Superintendent MacMillan advised the Board that the NHSBA Delegate Assembly will be held on January 15th in Concord. Among the topics for discussion will be the Evergreen Law. Chairman Peabody indicated that she is planning to attend. A brief discussion ensued.

FINANCIAL

Manifests were circulated for Board review and approval.

Business Manager Sandra Stone distributed Financial Reports for Board information and review briefing the Board on the contents and fielding questions as necessary. The current projected year held balance is \$16,205.00.

MOTION BY LARRY KAPLAN, SECONDED BY TONI BUTTERFIELD TO ENTER INTO NON-PUBLIC SESSION AT 6:25 PM UNDER PARAGRAPH II, SECTION 2 OF RSA 91A:3 OF THE RIGHT TO KNOW LAW TO DISCUSS PERSONNEL ISSUES ALL IN FAVOR FOLLOWING A ROLL CALL VOTE, MOTION CARRIED.

MOTION BY STEVE MORRISON, SECONDED BY TONI BUTTERFIELD TO RETURN TO PUBLIC SESSION AT 6:38 PM. ALL IN FAVOR FOLLOWING A ROLL CALL VOTE, MOTION CARRIED.

There being no further business to come before the Board, MOTION BY LARRY KAPLAN, SECONDED BY CHRISTINE ASH TO ADJOURN AT 6:39 PM. ALL IN FAVOR, MOTION CARRIED.

Respectfully submitted,

Marjorie Brown
Board Clerk