

FRANKLIN SCHOOL BOARD MEETING
Missisquoi Valley Union Middle/High School Room E3
October 8, 2014
8:00 PM

Present: Tim Magnant, Chairperson, David Rood, Bob Berger.
Winton Goodrich, Superintendent of Schools, Joyce Hakey, Principal, Becky Hart, Business Manager, Pierrette Bouchard, School Board Secretary.

AGENDA

Call Meeting to Order- Tim Magnant called the meeting to order at 8:00 in the Missisquoi Valley Union School Library at 8:00.

Bob Berber moved, seconded by David Rood, to enter executive session for a contract issue on a 3-0 vote.

Board exited executive session at 8:20. No action taken. Tim Magnant recessed the meeting and moved the Board to Room E3, returning to order at 8:45pm.

- Agenda Revision-None

Approval of Prior Board Meeting Minutes: Motion to approve September 16, 2014 board minutes. Bob Berger moved, David Rood seconded. Board approved motion 3-0.

Old Business- Kindergarten Length of Day-

The Board received a letter from Brye Trainer providing her assessment of student readiness transitioning to Grade 1. The Board reviewed the parent half-day vs full-day Kindergarten input from the September 30th Board meeting.

Bob Berger moved, seconded by David Rood, to continue half-day Kindergarten for the remainder of the school year and consider other possibilities for the Kindergarten program during FY16 budget development.

The Board passed the motion on a 3-0 vote.

Code of Ethics: The Board signed the Code of Ethics form

Principal's Report

Joyce Hakey handed out the updated Action Plan to the Board. The revisions are highlighted in bold. Joyce would like the Board to review the changes and recommended approving the Action Plan at the next Board meeting.

School Happenings: Joyce thanked Krista Birkheimer for coaching the Spelling Team and the students on the Spelling Team. Students give up their lunch and recess time to practice. Highgate won the Spelling Bee this year. It was a very close competition and all of the schools' participants did an outstanding job. The Grandparents' Dinner took place at the School with an excellent turn-out of 69 adults.

Becky Hart joined the Board meeting in progress. The Board changed the order of the agenda for the Business Manager's report.

Check Warrants: Motion to approve check warrants for September 2014 totaling \$181,025.03. David Rood moved, Bob Berger seconded and Board approved 3-0.

Becky Hart received one snow plowing bid. The Board tabled the snowplowing bid for a decision at the October 22nd meeting.

Becky Hart will bring draft 1 of the Franklin budget to the November 2014 meeting.

Executive Session:

Bob Berger moved, seconded by David Rood, to enter executive session for negotiations at 9:35pm. The motion passed on a 3-0 vote.

The Board exited executive sessions at 9:50pm.

Principal's Report (Continued)

Joyce Hakey reported that George Raynak has indicated the school's server needs to be replaced. If it is not replaced and goes down the School could potentially lose data. David Rood moved, seconded by Bob Berger, to replace the server on a 3-0 vote.

Joyce went over the NECAP Science results with Franklin at 74% proficient, the Supervisory Union at 20% proficient and the State of Vermont at 43% proficient.

Future Meeting Dates

- Franklin School Board Meeting - October 22 at 6pm and November 18th in Franklin
- VSBA Fall Conference, October 30th and 31st @ Lake Morey
- Franklin Northwest SU meeting on Nov. 5th at Franklin Central School

Motion was made to adjourn the meeting at 10pm. David Rood moved and Bob Berger seconded the motion. Motion passed on a 3-0 vote.

Respectfully submitted,

Bob Berger, Board Clerk by
Pierrette Bouchard, School Board Secretary
