

## **CABOT SCHOOL BOARD MEETING MINUTES**

Monday, May 7, 2012

Present: **School Board:** Chris Tormey, Ry Hoffman, Sharon O'Connor, Paul Stecker and Jackie Folsom. **Administration:** Karen Stewart, Principal and Nancy Thomas, Superintendent.

- 1) The meeting was called to order at 8:18 pm.
- 2) The board went into executive session at 8:19 pm to discuss a personnel matter.
- 3) Executive session was concluded at 8:24 pm.
- 4) Consent Agenda: Paul made a motion, seconded by Sharon to approve the consent agenda. The motion carried with a vote of 4-0-1 (one abstention).
  - a) Approve April 13, 2012 minutes.
- 5) Board Discussion:
  - a) Report Night: The Board discussed Report Night, which was well attended and included information from NECAP, the Youth Risk Behavior Survey and other data as well as presentation about Project Based Learning (PBL). Sharon mentioned that PBL is not new to Cabot. It has been around a long time, but it is changing and improving. The Board made a number of suggestions to reassure parents, including showing examples of how the students are learning and will meet the state standards, provide students/parents with a syllabus for the class to show that is/was expected of the student and how PBL translates to a transcript for college applications.
  - b) Scheduled Meetings: May 14, 2012 there will be a demonstration of learning on the Middle East project, May 21<sup>st</sup> there will be a board meeting from 6-7pm and a facilities presentation at 7pm; May 29<sup>th</sup> is a presentation of the proposed program of studies for FY13 and June 14<sup>th</sup> there will be a demonstration of learning on the impact of the '50's and '60's on American culture.
  - c) Facilities Meeting: A meeting has been scheduled for May 21<sup>st</sup> at 7pm to discuss the work that has been completed on the facilities and prioritizing work that needs to be done. John Rahill, Black River Design, will be present to answer questions. The board is seeking input from the community on setting these priorities.
  - d) Harassment of Employees – D12: The board had the first reading of this revised policy.
- 6) The board went into executive session at 9:40 pm to discuss a personnel matter.
- 7) Executive session was concluded at 10:00 pm.
- 8) The meeting was adjourned at 10:01 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Cynthia Epinette  
Transcriber