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CABOT SCHOOL BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Monday, April 13, 2015

Cabot School Library

PRESENT: Chris Tormey, Sharon O'Connor, Jackie Folsom, Ry Hoffman, Lisa Olson **Administrators:** Gail Curtis, Principal; Dave Schilling, Principal Intern; Nancy Thomas, Superintendent **Absent:** Gage Sironi, Megan Walker, Heidi Cookson

Call to Order Chris Tormey, Chair called the meeting to order at 6:05 p.m.

Public Comment: None

Consent Agenda

Approve April 6, 2015 Minutes: Jackie Folsom motioned to approve the minutes as written. Sharon O'Connor seconded the motion. Minutes approved as written.

Reports

a. **Superintendent Report** - Nancy Thomas

- Amy Sykas is filling in for Laurence Carnahan until the end of the year.
- Professional contracts will be coming out April 15th.

b. **Principal Report** – Gail Curtis, Dave Schilling

- Water is no longer leaking out of Pete's office.
- Students are finishing up SBAC Testing
- The first PEP (Professional Effectiveness Plan) presentation has been completed. The focus was a project based learning presentation about birds from the preschool. The PEP is a faculty evaluation system. Teachers look at three areas to set goals for these include: Professional, students, community.

c. **Student Report** – None due to absence.

Board Discussion

a. Cabot Facilities Committee Next Steps

- In May, the committee will present to the community what two different Elementary configurations might look like.
- The committee will decide this week what two facility plans to present as well as long term options for the school.
- The Facilities Committee will discuss several options and what the future of school in Cabot will look like. In one option, the school would only includes pre-k to 8 grades, in which case some of the secondary spaces could be used for elementary school. What would it look like if we tuition out high school students? Or combined with neighboring districts?
- Another option is to keep secondary students at Cabot. Do we form a magnet school? Do we make a district larger than Cabot? That could be Cabot High School continuing as is or in

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combination with Twinfield. In these cases the new construction would need to accommodate all elementary school students.

- Joint meeting of the Cabot Board with the Twinfield Board on May 5th at 6:30 to discuss further collaboration options.
- Change Facilities Meeting from May 20th to May 18th. This would count as the first public forum. Chris will draft a mailing to send out. Second Forum May 28th.

b. Destination Imagination Fund Raising Request

- Jane Youngbaer shared updated information about the Destination Imagination fundraising.
- There will now be only one team going rather than two.
- Discovered today that the team will not be able to ride with New Hampshire Destination Imagination Team.
- Real Good Toys in Barre donated a model fire house for a raffle.
- Tickets were sold at an AAU tournament in Concord this past weekend. Will look into future AAU fundraising options.
- Scheduled a dance on May 8th.
- Will Walters from The Hardwick Gazette took pictures and interviewed the team. Jane also submitted a press release.
- The team leaves May 18th and so fundraising will wrap up before that date.
- Will need \$500.00 as a deposit for registration. Will pay registration deposit with money that is currently in the DI activity account.
- Chris suggested that a deadline be set to wrap up fundraising and to have parents pay in the remainder of the balance.
- Jackie mentioned that next year it could benefit the group to start fundraising early on in the school year.

c. Policy Revisions: Second Reading – G9 Grade Advancement, G11 Responsible Computer, Network and Internet Use, G13 Animal Dissection, H7 Title 1 Parental Involvement

- Will act on the policy revisions at next meeting.

Executive Session : For Personnel Issue at 7:37 p.m. The Board came out of Executive Session at 8:00.

Adjournment - The Board adjourned at 8:10.

Respectfully Submitted

Amanda LeBlanc, Transcriber