

Goffstown School District
Goffstown, New Hampshire

School Board Meeting Minutes
October 3, 2011

School Board Members, Present

Philip Pancoast
Dian McCarthy
Keith Allard
Sue Tremblay
Henry Boyle
Jennifer Theroux
Ginny McKinnon

Administration, Present

Stacy Buckley, Superintendent
Ray Labore, Business Administrator

Teacher Reps, Present

Barbara French, MVMS
Peggy Zola, Elementary
Jeanne Roy, High School

Call to Order

Philip Pancoast called the meeting to order at 7:00PM and led the Board and public in the Pledge of Allegiance and a moment of silence.

Approval of the 9/19/11 Minutes

The Board had the following changes to the minutes: Page 2, change to read ...Goffstown 250th Committee Block Party... instead of ...Block Party...; under Non-Public Session, change the spelling of Dian McCarthy's name as it was spelled wrong. *Dian McCarthy made a motion to approve the 9/19/11 minutes as amended. Keith Allard seconded. VOTE All in Favor MOTION PASSED*

Correspondence

- Thank you letter from Senator D'Allesandro
- Two Nurse/Teacher Substitution Reports

Commendations/Good News

- Peggy Zola stated Glen Lake had a great start to the school year with their largest enrollment ever. Mrs. Zola stated Glen Lake had an assembly last week and tomorrow night is Kindergarten Parent Information Night. Mrs. Zola stated teachers have created new web pages this year using iWeb. Mrs. Zola stated the 3rd & 4th graders have been doing NECAP prep the last couple of weeks and start testing tomorrow; Grades 1 & 2, as a way to show support, have adopted 3rd & 4th grade classes and sent them notes, songs and poems (Mrs. Zola showed some examples to School Board members on her computer.)
- Jeanne Roy stated Homecoming is this week at the high school. Mrs. Roy stated NECAPS are next week on Tuesday, Thursday, Friday, and PSAT's are on Wednesday; there is no homework for students during the week. Mrs. Roy stated the GHS Open House is Thursday night. The first GHS Friday night football game under lights is this Friday at 7PM.
- Barbara French, MVMS, stated NECAPs start tomorrow; explained some incentives being used. Mrs. French stated she spoke with Mr. Garrity and he said everyone is having fun in the sports program.
- Ginny McKinnon stated she read in the paper about Glen Lake School being named a National School of Distinction for the Schools Against Hunger Program; less than 2,000 schools in the country are given this distinction. Mrs. McKinnon stated the cross country team did very well in the Derryfield Park race. Mrs. McKinnon stated the Future Business Leaders Club had a booth at the Goffstown 250th Block Party Celebration and she thinks it is wonderful when the schools are involved in community events.

Public Comment

None

Administration/Finance Committee Report

Dian McCarthy made a motion to approve the manifest in the amount of \$1,201,753.97. Sue Tremblay seconded. Henry Boyle briefly reviewed the contents of the manifest. VOTE All in Favor MOTION PASSED

Human Resource Committee Report

The next Human Resource Committee Meeting is on November 14 at 6PM at the SAU.

Planning & Communication Committee Report

Dian McCarthy stated P&C met tonight and discussed future articles. Mrs. McCarthy stated Keith Allard would be writing the next article, followed by Philip Pancoast and Kent Nolan. Mrs. McCarthy stated upcoming topics will be: late bus, budget, athletic fields, student's published in Scientific American; the Committee also discussed more GTV programs and the possibility of a Facebook page.

Curriculum and Education Committee Report

Keith Allard reviewed with Board members what was discussed at the September 12 Committee meeting. Mr. Allard stated the Committee discussed new course proposals and two modifications to break down a couple of courses into two tiers:

- Introduction to Computer Programming would be broken down into Introduction to Computer Animation and Gaming and Introduction to Visual Basic Programming.
- Fundamentals of Web Design would be broken down into Fundamentals of Web Design and Web Programming.

Henry Boyle asked the motivation behind the changes. Mr. Allard stated Running Start had changed their curriculum to stay in line and we wanted to be able to challenge our students. ***Keith Allard made a motion to approve all courses as presented by the C&E Committee. Sue Tremblay seconded. VOTE All in Favor MOTION PASSED***

Keith Allard stated the Committee also recommended offering AP Calculus BC as students are maxing out on what they can take for calculus. ***Keith Allard made a motion to approve the C&E Committee's recommendation for AP Calculus BC. Ginny McKinnon seconded.*** Jennifer Theroux stated it is interesting that this senior class is the first class that started with Everyday Math. ***VOTE All in Favor MOTION PASSED***

Keith Allard stated the Committee had discussed summer professional development and that the intent of it was "Instructional Strategies to Meet All Learners"; 406 teachers participated over the summer in a variety of workshops.

Keith Allard stated the Committee also worked on updating the curriculum revision cycle.

The next Curriculum & Education Committee Meeting is on November 14 at 7PM at the SAU.

Budget Committee Report

Sue Tremblay stated the Budget Committee met and it was a very long meeting; still have one member to elect. Philip Pancoast stated he spoke with Budget Committee Chairman Cloutier and the Board has reserved November 5th or 19th for the school budget presentation depending on progress.

The next Budget Committee Meeting is on October 12.

Superintendent's Report

Stacy Buckley stated this week is Homecoming week, all kinds of events are going on; there will be Friday Night Football under the lights, a Homecoming Dance on Saturday, and a dance event on Friday at the end of the school day.

Stacy Buckley stated on October 12 at 9AM the State School Board would be holding their meeting at GHS. This event will be student-centered with student presentations and then the Board's regular meeting.

Stacy Buckley stated Senator Lou D'Allesandro visited GHS last week and the visit went very well.

Stacy Buckley stated they have really been working on increasing the number of students who participate in the music program at MVMS and she received an email from the Music Department that stated there are now 130

students in Band, 110 students in Chorus, and 56 students in the Strings Program. Mrs. Buckley stated this is the highest number of participants they have had in a while.

Building Committee/CMK Request

Stacy Buckley stated the Building Committee meeting had conversations with CMK regarding fees as the Committee had changed the scope at Bartlett; the Committee asked CMK to look at the estimated cost for renovation versus the cost of a new building. The Committee and CMK met two weeks ago and hope to have at the next Board meeting the final GMP number and plans. Mrs. Buckley stated the Committee is requesting the Board allow the Committee to pay an additional \$46,300 to CMK to finish up the contract; Ray Labore looked at numbers and with contingency and impact fees, cost can be covered. Sue Tremblay asked if this was with or without additional impact fees. Mrs. Buckley stated without. *Sue Tremblay made a motion to make an increase in the contract to accommodate the \$46,300 in additional fees due to the broadened scope of the project. Henry Boyle seconded. VOTE All in Favor MOTION PASSED*

Resignation of Recording Secretary

Stacy Buckley stated Debbie Jore, School Board Recording Secretary is resigning; will stay until a replacement is found. *Sue Tremblay made a motion to accept Debbie Jore's resignation with regret. Keith Allard seconded. VOTE All in Favor MOTION PASSED* Mrs. Buckley will advertise the position. The Board authorized Stacy Buckley to move forward in hiring the replacement.

Uncanoonuc Mountaineers Snowmobile Club Request

Henry Boyle made a motion to approve the annual Uncanoonuc Mountaineers Snowmobile Club request to use right away to pass through school property with snowmobiles and ATV's. Dian McCarthy seconded. VOTE All in Favor MOTION PASSED

NHSBA Call for Resolutions

Board members received resolutions in their packets. Stacy Buckley stated if any Board members wanted to write something or give input, they would be asking a Board member to attend on the Board's behalf. This agenda item will be included on the agenda of the next Board meeting.

Teacher Resignations

Stacy Buckley brought forward the following teacher resignation:

- Sue Davis Tipton, Chemistry Teacher, GHS

Sue Tremblay made a motion to accept the resignation of Sue Davis Tipton as presented by the Superintendent. Henry Boyle seconded. VOTE All in Favor MOTION PASSED

Teacher Nomination

Stacy Buckley brought forward the following teacher nomination:

- Morgan Peach, Chemistry Teacher, GHS, BA-1

Dian McCarthy made a motion to accept the nomination of Morgan Peach as presented by the Superintendent. Sue Tremblay seconded. VOTE All in Favor MOTION PASSED

St. Anselm College Student Interns (September 2011-May2012)

Stacy Buckley brought forward the following student intern; no Board action needed:

- Emily Petrie, Bartlett, Kris Groves

Co-Curricular Nominations (Non-Sport)

Stacy Buckley brought forward the following non-sport nominations:

- Josh Desrochers, GHS, Activities Director
- Eric Romein, GHS, Advisor Grade 10
- Sara Tower, GHS, Advisor Grade 10
- Art Ferrier, GHS, Advisor Grade 11
- Lise Mailloux, GHS, Advisor Grade 11
- Ryan Fitzpatrick, GHS, Advisor Grade 12
- Megan Therriault, GHS, Advisor Grade 12

- Erica Williams, GHS, Advisor Grade 9
- Jess Brown, GHS, Advisor Grade 9
- Doug McKernan, GHS, Band GHS
- Josh Desrochers, GHS, Chorus
- Colleen Mannion (\$3,723.65) Drama
- Jocelyn Duford (\$500) GHS, Drama
- Maureen Brown, GHS, Lead Teacher, English
- Jess Brown, GHS, Lead Teacher, Math
- Diana Thomas, GHS, Lead Teacher, Science
- Ami Marler, GHS, Lead Teacher, Social Studies
- Diana Thomas, GHS, Marine Bio
- Abbie Andrew, GHS, National Honor Society
- John Moran, GHS, Newspaper
- John Webb, GHS, Peer Outreach
- Curt McDermott, GHS, Peer Outreach
- Doug McKernan, GHS, Pep Band
- Josh Desrochers, GHS, Pep Band
- Todd Lavallee 33% GHS, Strength & Conditioning
- John Trisciani 67% GHS, Strength & Conditioning
- Corrine Dionne, GHS, Student Council
- Erin McKinnon, GHS, Student Council
- Cecile Perretta, GHS, Yearbook
- Lise Mailloux, GHS, Yearbook

Keith Allard made a motion to approve the co-curricular nominations (non-sport) as presented by the Superintendent. Ginny McKinnon seconded. VOTE All in Favor MOTION PASSED

Other Business That May Legally Come Before the Meeting

None

Non-Public Session RSA 91-A:3II(a)

Dian McCarthy made a motion to enter non-public session at 7:54 PM to discuss the dismissal, promotion or compensation of any public employee or the disciplining of such employee, or the investigation of any charges against him or her, unless the employee affected (1) has a right to a meeting and (2) requests that the meeting be open, in which case the request shall be granted. Ginny McKinnon seconded. The Chair took an individual voice poll of each School Board member. VOTE All in Favor MOTION PASSED

Sue Tremblay made a motion to leave non-public session at 8:46 PM. Keith Allard seconded. The Chair took an individual voice poll of each School Board member. VOTE All in Favor MOTION PASSED
Ginny McKinnon made a motion to seal the non-public minutes for a period of ten years. Keith Allard seconded. VOTE All in Favor MOTION PASSED

Adjournment

Dian McCarthy made a motion to adjourn at 8:48PM. Ginny McKinnon seconded. VOTE All in Favor MOTION PASSED

Deborah Jore
 School Board Recording Secretary