

Sunapee School Board Meeting
SMHS
February 4, 2009

Call to Order:

Shaun Carroll called the meeting to order at 7 p.m.

Roll Call:

Shaun Carroll, Chair
Judy Trow, Vice Chair
Kim Denney
Hershel Strickland
Edward Bailey – Arrived 7:40 p.m.

Others Present:

Brendan Minnihan, Superintendent
Mike Trojano, Business Administrator
Kate Dunlap, School Board Secretary

Pledge of Allegiance:

Mike Trojano led the Pledge of Allegiance. Shaun Carroll asked for a moment of silence.

Minutes:

Kim Denney moved to approve the school board minutes of December 3, 2008.
Judy Trow seconded the motion.
Vote was unanimous.

Kim Denney moved to approve the school board minutes of January 7, 2009.
Judy Trow seconded the motion.
Vote was unanimous.

Kim Denney moved to approve the budget hearing minutes of January 15, 2009.
Judy Trow seconded the motion.
Vote was unanimous.

Kim Denney moved to approve the school board minutes of January 15, 2009.
Judy Trow seconded the motion.
Vote was unanimous.

The non-public minutes of January 7, 2009 were tabled until next meeting.

Public Forum:

There was no public or good news tonight.

Superintendent Communications:

Brendan Minnihan handed out a copy of the latest Sunapee Folio which has writings and artwork by SMHS students.

He stated that the new sound system is wonderful. People are very happy that there is less static and issues than with the old one.

Blodgett Property:

Brendan Minnihan and Mike Trojano updated the Board on the Blodgett Property. Costs for the project have increased due to increased square footage of the addition which will be used as a conference room and archive section.

Brendan Minnihan said the next step is the hiring of the construction manager. The construction manager does general work by the firm, bids out for subcontractors and makes recommendations to the committee or Board. They are usually paid 5-6 percent of a project plus a fee. Gary LaPorte has been recommended by Dan Bisson, but both Brendan and Mike Trojano would like to put it out to bid. They will put an advertisement in the local newspaper. Hershel Strickland said that he would like the Board to stay as local as possible especially due to the economic times.

Shaun Carroll stated that he had spoken to Burton's son who said that his father will be out by July of 2009. Kim Denney and Shaun Carroll, the building committee, will get together next week to look over the blueprints. They will then present the Board their recommendations to proceed with the project.

Brendan Minnihan said the work will be done in four phases:

- Exterior siding
- Interior renovations including electric and plumbing
- Site work and parking
- Demolition of the barn and building of conference room.

Brendan Minnihan also stated that he spoke with Edward Murdough at the State. He said the SAU project will receive a 40% reimbursement not 55%. The Board said they thought it was between 40-55 %, so they weren't surprised.

NEAS&C Update and Endicott Survey:

Jon Reed and Sharon Parsons updated the Board on their hard work towards attaining accreditation for the Sunapee School District by the New England Accreditation of

Schools and Colleges. They asked the Board to fill out the Endicott survey by the NEAS&C and send them back by Friday, February 6, 2009. The surveys went out to teachers, parents and students as well. Staff is all done taking them and all but the twelfth graders had finished.

Jon Reed said that the district mission had been completed with the help of teachers and community members and had been adopted by the staff. The Board will have to accept the mission statement at some point. He felt that the district mission statement lined up nicely with the school mission statement.

Sharon Parsons said that goals for the accreditation process had been defined and approved by the staff. Scoring sheets still need to be created and that is the next step. She handed out the Core Map for the Board to see. The Core Map is curriculum mapping which shows the lessons, assessments, skills and standards that need to be reached for a certain subject. This will be followed by all personnel.

School Board Self-Evaluation:

Shaun Carroll handed out the self-evaluation surveys to the Board. He said completing this survey is required. He would like everyone to look it over, answer honestly and bring it back at the next Board meeting in March.

Manifest:

Mike Trojano presented the manifest at \$62,376.05.

Hershel Strickland moved to approve the manifest as presented.
Judy Trow seconded the motion.
Vote was unanimous.

NHADA Trip:

Hershel Strickland moved to approve the NHADA trip as presented.
Kim Denney seconded the motion.
Vote was unanimous.

Cape Cod Trip:

Judy Trow said she was unsure if this trip was still going to happen. The Board decided to vote as if it was still occurring and if it doesn't then it would be fine.

Hershel Strickland moved to approve the Cape Cod trip as presented.
Kim Denney seconded the motion.
Vote was unanimous.

Agenda:

Blodgett Property – Update and committee presentation
Self-Evaluations

Non-Public:

Hershel Strickland moved to go into non-public session under RSA 91-A:3II (c) at 7:50 p.m.

Kim Denney seconded the motion.

Vote was unanimous.

Roll Call:

Hershel Strickland

Kim Denney

Judy Trow

Shaun Carroll

Edward Bailey

Discussion about potential tuition student was brought forth.

Kim Denney moved to accept the principal's recommendation on tuition student.

Hershel Strickland seconded the motion.

Vote was unanimous.

Personnel issue was brought forth.

Hershel Strickland moved to accept the hiring of coach brought forth for the Spring track program.

Kim Denney seconded the motion.

Vote was unanimous.

Judy Trow moved to return to public session at 8:36 p.m.

Hershel Strickland seconded the motion.

Vote was unanimous.

Judy Trow moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:38 p.m.

Hershel Strickland seconded the motion.

Vote was unanimous.

Submitted By

Kate Dunlap

Sunapee School Board Secretary

