

Fayston Elementary School

Board of School Directors Regular Meeting Official Minutes November 17, 2009 @ 6:00 PM

Board Members Present: Mike Riddell, Bob Lockett, Jean Wry, Susan Daley (arr 6:09), Russell Beilke (arr 6:27)

Others Present: Chris Dodge, Brigid Scheffert, Carla Lewis (dep 8:17), Trish Read (dep 8:17)

6:07 Mike called the meeting to order

6:08 Agenda Review, Additions, and Acceptance – there will not be a need for discussion about a sick time pool. An update on Master Contract negotiations will be added to the agenda from this point on.

6:10 Citizens' Time – no questions.

6:10 Staff Time - Carla showed us some writing projects that the children have been working on. PreK through six were shown.

6:31 Principal's Report – Chris answered some questions about the report sent. A short discussion about the After School Program sustainability was had.

6:39 Superintendent's Report – A report on the "State of the Union" was provided. Policy review process, student data analysis, support staff negotiations, and budgets are all active tasks at the SU. A full written report is in development at the SU office. Current status of the Pathwise Evaluation for professional staff was given. The tool to be used for Administrators evaluation was shared. A modified version will be used this year, as we are so far into the year.

7:13 Update: Executive Committee

- Superintendent Evaluation, the board will complete the review in December. The templates are in final development. It will be very similar in part to the Administrators review tool.

- Professional Development and Early Release Days, an overview was given about the current status of the program. With the program in its third year, if changes should be made, now is time. Feedback and comments for consideration is requested. This should be discussed again at the December meeting.

- WWSU Budget, there will be a large line item for technology in the coming budget. The FY 08/09 ended with a surplus. The allocation out to the districts for FY 10/11 will have a minimal increase.

- Technology – a full audit of the state of the technology at WWSU was done. Report shows that is in very poor shape. A complete plan is being developed and prepared to go out to bid.

7:40 Update: WWSU Board – December 9th meeting at Harwood.

7:43 General Business

A motion was made to approve hiring Dave Cheney as the part-time custodian for the rest of the year by Bob and seconded by Susan. Passed unanimously.

A motion was made to approve the job descriptions with revisions of SLP and Literacy Teacher by Susan and seconded by Jean. Passed unanimously.

A motion was made to adopt the policies of "Admission of Non-Resident Tuition Students" and "Head Lice" as written by Mike and seconded by Bob. Passed unanimously.

7:58 Update: State-Level Actions – no updates

7:59 Other: Bob provided some information about new grant monies now available. Brigid has been appointed to the Legislative Committee for the Vt Superintendents. Some discussion was had about budget for FY 10/11. A meeting is scheduled for Dec 3rd.

8:17 A motion was made to approve the minutes of 9/29 and 10/20, with changes, by Russell and seconded by Susan. Passed unanimously.

8:18 A motion was made by Mike and seconded by Susan to move into Executive Session to discuss a personnel matter, inviting administration to remain. Passed unanimously.

9:44 A motion was made to move out of executive session by Jean and seconded by Russell with recommendation and support to follow plan outlined. Passed unanimously.

9:45 A motion was made to adjourn by Bob and seconded by Mike. Passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted – Jean Wry