

Saco Board of Education
Minutes of March 11, 2008
Budget Workshop: 5:00 PM @ City Hall
Regular Board Meeting: 7:00 PM @ City Hall

Meeting Called to Order

The meeting was called to order by Chair Ron Michaud, at 7:00 PM. Members present: Mayor Michaud, David Galli, Lorraine Whelan, Scott Nason, Michael Ohayon, Shirley Jones, Dan Cabral, Beth Johnston, Technology Director, Laurie Underwood, SMS Principal, Rick Talbot, Superintendent Mike Lafortune, and Business Manager Kathie Winchenbach.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited

Approval of Minutes dated February 12, 2008

The Mayor asked if there were any additions or corrections to the minutes after their review. A motion was made by Dave Galli and seconded by Shirley Jones to approve the Minutes from February 12, 2008 as presented. Voted unanimously.

Adjustment to the Agenda

None

Correspondence:

Expenditure Report

The February Expenditure Report was reviewed; the budget is close to where it should be at this time. Grant information was also reviewed.

Curriculum Update

Reviewed by the Board, supplied and highlighted by Superintendent Lafortune

Public Session

None

Superintendent's Report:

Budget Development

Superintendent Lafortune reported on the progress of the Budget Development. He stated that this has been a difficult year, but we are still hoping to pursue All Day Kindergarten. There are several meetings still to come referencing the 08-09 budget. The future meetings will include discussions of the impact from the State Revenue Reductions.

Volunteer Hours

Superintendent Lafortune reviewed and thanked the volunteers on the many volunteer hours.

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Committee Reports

Advisory Council

Dave Galli provided an updated on the Advisory Councils last meeting. He reported on discussions referencing the School Calendar to plan for Professional Development Days and also discussions with the responsibility of the CDTs.

RPC Committee Update

Dave Galli informed the board the RPC has been meeting regularly and coming close to completing the plan. He said he hopes this consolidation presents an outstanding opportunity to the communities involved.

Old Business/Action Items

None

New Business/Action Items

Approve 2008-2009 Budget

A motion was made by Dave Galli and seconded by Shirley Jones to approve the budget of \$28,199,150 for school year 2008-2009. Voted unanimously. Motion approved.

Review of 2006-2007 Audit by Runyon, Kersteen, Ouellette, CPAs

A brief overview was presented by Roger Lebreux on the 2006-2007 audit. He raised concerns referencing the Student Activities account. He suggested that a random audit of these accounts should be done by a Central Office employee. Roger also discussed the Food Service deficit and concerns about meeting the deadline for implementing the new Chart of Account.

Mayor Ron Michaud and Roger Lebreux suggested a joint meeting to review the audit at the same time as the City.

2nd Reading of Policies

A motion was made by Dave Galli and seconded by Dan Cabral to accept the 2nd Reading of the following policies. Voted unanimously.

- ADC – Tobacco Use and Possession
- BCB - Conflict of Interest
- BCC - Nepotism
- GBN-R2 – Maine Family Medical Leave Administrative Procedure

Nomination of Staff Account

A motion was made by Dave Galli and seconded by Mike Ohayon to accept the Superintendents nomination of Jason DiDonato as staff account for the district. Voted unanimously. Motion approved.

Coaches

A motion was made by Dave Galli and seconded by Shirley Jones to accept the Superintendents recommendation of Joe Johnson as 7th Grade Boys Baseball Coach , and Amy Carcstia as 8th Grade Girls Softball Coach for the 2007-2008 school year only. Voted unanimously. Motion approved.

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Executive Session

None

Adjournment

A motion was made by Dave Galli and seconded by Dan Cabral to adjourn at 7:40 P.M. Voted unanimously. Motion approved.

Minutes prepared by:

Respectfully submitted by:

Lynn Ouellette, Transcriber

Michael Lafortune, Superintendent