

Sunapee School Board Meeting

March 3, 2010

SMHS Media Center

7 p.m.

Call to Order:

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

Roll Call:

Shaun Carroll, Chair
Judy Trow, Vice Chair (7:10 p.m.)
Edward Bailey
Kim Denney
Brian Garland

Others Present:

Brendan Minnihan, Superintendent
Kelly Cornish, Financial Services Manager
Sean Moynihan, SMHS Principal
Kate O'Connor, School Board Secretary
Ray Palin, Media & Library Sciences Coordinator
Marcia Spencer, SMHS Social Studies Teacher

Pledge of Allegiance:

Marcia Spencer led the Pledge of Allegiance; Shaun Carroll led in a moment of silence.

Harvard Model Congress:

Marcia Spencer informed the Board of this year's Harvard Model Congress:

- 14th Year for Sunapee to attend.
- Is a government simulation held at Harvard University
- Student's role-play as various government officials such as, senator, lobbyist, analysts and more.
- Is a four day event that goes from Thursday through Sunday.
- Sunapee was the only school from Maine, Vermont and New Hampshire.
- An assembly will be held in May or June to give out certificates to all who attended.
- Sixteen people attended, tonight three will get special awards for being the best in their group during the Model Congress.

- Adam Whittier received an award for his work as an Oppositional Analyst for the West Wing
- Lane Dubriel received an award for his work as a lobbyist working for the Civil Liberties Union.
- Taylor Knapp received an award for her work as a lobbyist working for the Red Cross.

The Board congratulated them on their accomplishment.

Minutes:

Kim Denney moved to approve the minutes of February 3, 2010.

Judy Trow seconded the motion.

Vote unanimous.

Public Forum:

Shaun Carroll informed the Board that he and Brian Garland went to the Selectmen's meeting and discussed with them the feelings of the school board and the BAC with them.

The Board discussed next budget season and whether the BAC should be involved in the budget process; if they do not adhere to the guidelines.

SCES Good News:

There will be no good news to report as Alan Pullman is out of town.

SMHS Data Report:

Sean Moynihan showed the Board a presentation of SMHS and it's standing on the NECAP, NWEA and various facts about the school body itself. (See Handout)

- Over 70% involved in co-curricular activities including-
 - All State Music
 - All State Athletics
 - Harvard Model Congress
 - A NHIAA Student Athlete of the Month
 - Sunapee ranks second in NH on the NECAP in terms of combined score at the high school level.
 - Eleventh grade has high proficiency in reading, writing and math.
 - Middle School grades are all at expected levels or above.
 - The NWEA test is good at showing how a class is advancing; you really see results.
 - They are able to view where classes are struggling and work on the issue before it really becomes a problem.

- Over the last few years AP English, AP Biology, AP Calculus and AP US History have all been added to the Curriculum.
- Band and Chorus are now offered during the day so more people can attend.
- Honors Modern European History was added as well as Advanced Topics in Biology, honors English and more technology classes.
- Members of the current staff have been awarded Class S Athletic Director of the Year, three teachers who have each won Social Studies Teacher of the Year on different years, one teacher who won English Teacher of the Year.
- SMHS is a three-time US World News Bronze Medal.

Superintendent Communication:

Brendan Minnihan gave the following report to the Board:

- Showed the Board a photograph of Mr. Perkins at Mr. Perkins House that Ron Garceau of the Historical Society gave to him to share.
- During winter vacation there was some extremely bad weather and the packets did not come out as nice as they should have been; his apologies.

Policy JFAB:

The Board was given "Admission of Tuition and Non-Resident Students" for a first reading.

Manifest:

Kim Denney moved to approve the following manifests –

- A/P #2010-19 = \$37,927.96
- Payroll #17 = \$236,776.68
- Payroll #18 = \$203,466.34

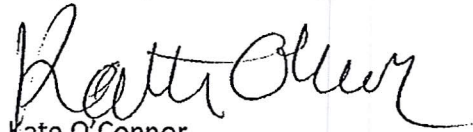
Agenda April 7th:

- Reorganize
- Alan Pullman to present SCES
- Re-nominations
- Discussion of vote

Shaun Carroll told the Board that the group that is getting the Argus back up and running has met with the Valley News. The hope is that they will be printing the Argus Champion; the group would like them to own the newspaper as well. Ray Malool has bought the domain name State wide; currently working on Federal.

Judy Trow moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:20 p.m.
Kim Denney seconded the motion.
Vote unanimous.

Respectfully Submitted By,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Kate O'Connor".

Kate O'Connor
School Board Secretary