

Sunapee School Board Meeting

October 21, 2009

7 pm

SMHS Media Center

Call to Order:

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

Roll Call:

Shaun Carroll, Chair  
Judy Trow, Vice Chair  
Brian Garland  
Kim Denney  
Edward Bailey

Others Present:

Brendan Minnihan, Superintendent  
Mike Trojano, Business Administrator  
Kelly Cornish, Financial Services Manager  
Kate O'Connor, Board Secretary  
Sean Moynihan, SMHS Principal  
Alan Pullman, SCES Principal  
Wayne Palmer, Facilities Director

Pledge of Allegiance:

Shaun Carroll led the pledge and asked for a moment of silence.

Minutes:

Kim Denney moved to approve the September 2, 2009 minutes pending the addition of page four.

Judy Trow seconded the motion.

Vote was unanimous.

Kim Denney moved to approve the October 2, 2009 Board Retreat minutes.

Judy Trow seconded the motion.

Vote was unanimous.

Kim Denney moved to approve the October 7, 2009 minutes.  
Judy Trow seconded the motion.  
Vote was unanimous.

#### Soccer Field:

The meeting moved onto the soccer field behind SMHS to look at the new lights installed with the donation from the Police Benevolence Association. The brightness of the lights was discussed. Many people were enjoying being able to play after dark.

#### SCES:

See handout attached from Alan Pullman.

Alan Pullman also noted that the kindergarten recently went on a field trip to a local farm.

#### SMHS:

Sean Moynihan gave the following report:

- NECAP testing is complete.
- Two college fairs were held –
  - One was a mini college fair held locally with ten to fifteen colleges
  - Second was held at Southern NH
- Exit interviews with seniors are almost finished.
- The MS is having spirit week this week
- The HS had spirit week last week in which they had a bonfire and a pep rally.
- Student senior projects have begun with a student who is directing plays which will be performed in December.
- Sean Moynihan and Brendan Minnihhan visited Washington D.C. for the National Principal of the Year conference. Met many interesting people from other school districts. Spoke with Senators Gregg and Shaheen. Thanked the Board for the opportunity to attend.

#### Superintendent-Board Communications:

Brendan Minnihhan gave the following report:

- Next Thursday there will be a luncheon in Concord, NH honoring Meagan Reed as the Social Studies Teacher of the Year.
- During the Edies Wall Ceremony in Concord, a plaque will be hung at the Department of Education for Sean Moynihan making Principal of the Year.

- Tomorrow night the junior parent meeting concerning Skid School will take place. Brendan Minnihan, Sean Moynihan and Shaun Carroll will be in attendance to answer questions.
- The superintendents from four school districts have met once to discuss the vocational center schedules. Nothing was finalized and they will all meet again.

#### Blodgett Property:

Brendan Minnihan gave the following report:

- All permits to take down the barn have been received. The barn should be down by the end of October.
- Still looking into getting the permit to take out trees and shrubs.
- Have acquired the permit to have lead paint removal done, but new regulations are coming out and a new permit may be required.
- Website about the Blodgett Property is now operational; there have been 93 visitors so far.
- There is a survey link on the website and six people have taken the survey.
- Four walkthroughs have been completed. The walkthrough today had the most people with five in attendance.

#### Budget Update:

Mike Trojano and Brendan Minnihan gave the following report:

- Budget is currently being worked on and should be completed by November 14, 2009.
- Board will get the budget before the all day budget meeting held on 14<sup>th</sup>, on November 4<sup>th</sup>.
- Audit will be completed the week of November 9<sup>th</sup>.
- Health insurance costs are running high. The maximum for Sunapee will be 11.7%. The State average is 19%-25%. Sunapee received the lowest guaranteed maximum in the State.
- Proposed warrant articles will be part of the budget package given to the Board on November 4<sup>th</sup>.

#### Agenda for Next Meeting:

- Blodgett Property Update
- Budget Review

Non-Public Session:

Judy Trow moved to go into non-public session under RSA's 91-A:3 II (a) & 91-A:2 I (b) at 7:52 p.m.

Kim Denney seconded the motion.

Vote was unanimous.

Roll Call:

Shaun Carroll, Chair

Judy Trow, Vice Chair

Kim Denney

Brian Garland

Edward Bailey

Vote: Judy Trow moved to allow members of the administration and SAU staff to donate unused sick days up to 5 days each to donate to a staff member experiencing a serious illness in her family.

Seconded by Ed Bailey

All in favor, none opposed

Motion by Judy Trow to return to public session at 9:15 p.m.

Seconded by Brian Garland

Ed Bailey – Yes

Brian Garland – Yes

Shaun Carroll – Yes

Judy Trow – Yes

Kim Denney – Yes

Motion by Judy Trow to Adjourn at 9:16 p.m.

Seconded by Kim Denney

All in favor