WINOOSKI BOARD OF SCHOOL TRUSTEES REGULAR MEETING WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 15, 2012

MINUTES

MEMBERS PRESENT: M. Decarreau, President

J. Lambert, Secretary
A. Booher, Member
J. Corrigan, Member
T. Cleiland, Member

OTHERS PRESENT: M. Martineau, Superintendent

M. O'Rourke, PK-5 Principal
R. Hood, Dir. of Spec. Ed./ELL
L. Wheeler, 6-12 Principal
J. Helm, 6-12 Asst. Principal

R. Goulet, Finance Mgr.

1. <u>Call to Order/ Pledge of Allegiance:</u> M. Decarreau called the meeting to order at 6:36 p.m. The Pledge was recited.

- 2. <u>Executive Session (Title I, Section 313):</u> MOTIONED by T. Cleiland, second by A. Booher to go into executive session to discuss teacher negotiations and a personnel matter. Motion passed 5-0.
- 3. Return to Open Session: The Board returned to open session at 7:43 p.m.

MOTIONED by J. Corrigan, second by T. Cleiland to appoint a 3rd board member (Mike Decarreau) to the negotiations committee as alternate. Motion passed 5-0.

MOTIONED by J. Corrigan, second by T. Cleiland to approve the release of Matt Lewis from his P.E. contract for the 12/13 school year for a one-year leave of absence. Motion passed 3-2 (Lambert/Booher).

- 4. <u>Agenda Revision/Time Allocation:</u> The order of Focus on Learning was changed: 1) Summary of Washington, DC Trip, 2) Annual Measurable Achievement Objects, and 3) PBIS
- Consent Agenda (See attached Accept/Adopt): Lambert asked if we were going to fill the position of Director of Student Learning. Martineau reminded that board that they opted not to fill it this year, but we have contracted work out for 3 days/week. MOTIONED by J. Corrigan, second by J. Lambert to approve the consent agenda. Motion passed 5-0.
- 6. Administrative Reports: Mike Decarreau welcomed Leon Wheeler on behalf of the Board. He asked R. Goulet questions about technology upgrade. She said we have extra capacity on our wireless with the new areohives and our bandwidth will be increased as of September 1st. She has also been working with Control Technology to get an estimate on upgrades of the boilers and working with Lamoureux and Dickinson for the parking lot at Hawthorne Field. Decarreau was encouraged by M. O'Rourke's report about 40 ELL students attending summer school. He also asked about the hiring of a Burmese tutor that we were looking for last year. Robin Hood said we did not have any luck with finding anyone, but not for lack of trying. We hire translators as needed.

7. Focus on Learning:

• Summary of Washington, DC Trip: Mike Decarreau said that we contacted Sanders office in the late spring about the need for help with our ELL population. He listened but promised nothing. A few weeks later we found ourselves meeting with the DOE, VT Refugee Resettlement and members from Sanders, Leahy and Welch's offices. The discussion was around how the kids are learning the language, but the parents don't have a handle on it. There is a need for English classes during the day and evening to make for strong families, strong schools and a strong community. We also talked about the need for background information on students before they arrive at our school. Senator Leahy has requested a report on the effectiveness of the VT Refugee Resettlement program. Decarreau also asked if the administration could come up with a report showing when the district will meet its physical capacity for students. Decarreau also noted that

Leahy, Welch and Sanders support the F-35's, but we asked for more facts on them, especially the noise aspect.

- Annual Measurable Achievement Objectives (R. Hood/M. O'Rourke): Hood said that Title III of NCLB requires states to establish English language proficiency standards that are aligned to the state academic content standards, but are suitable for ELL students learning English. We are to annually assess the English proficiency of each ELL student using a reliable assessment tool. We need to define AMAOs to measure and report on progress toward English proficiency and academic achievement and the LEA is held accountable for meeting increasing AMAO targets for English proficiency over time. There are 3 AMAOs established by Law: #1 Progressing in English language acquisition; #2 Exiting or reaching English language; and #3 ELL Adequate Yearly Progress as measured by NECAP. We have met AMAO #1 and AMAO #2, but not AMAO #3 (reading and math targets were not met). O'Rourke said we are in year 1 of restructuring and year 2 corrective. We needed to hire a coach and are participating in the STARS program.
- PBIS (Positive Behavior Intervention Supports): O'Rourke said that a group developed behavioral
 expectations and levels. The STARS program will focus on safety with incentives for behavior.

8. Public Comments:

- a) General Public: None.
- b) Winooski Education Association: None.
- c) Student Council Representative: None.

9. New Business (Receive Information & Possible Action):

- a) 1st Reading, Policy #4111, Recruitment and Selection of Employees: Martineau reviewed changes made to the policy because of Act 153. Support staff no longer needs board approval for hiring as the superintendent now has that authority. MOTIONED by A. Booher, second by T. Cleiland to accept the 1st reading. Motion passed 5-0.
- b) 1st Reading, Policy #4122, Substitute Professional Staff Employment: Martineau said that there were changes in the procedures for hiring subs and a change in the rate of pay. By changing the procedures it will keep young high school graduates from subbing in high school classrooms. A. Booher requested that a category be added for part-time college students @ \$65.00/day. MOTIONED by J. Corrigan, second by T. Cleiland to approve with change. Motion passed 5-0.
- c) Transfer of Funds: From Program 202/203 to Program 201: R. Goulet said that as a result of the recent spec. ed. audit we will be using our IDEA-B funding to pay for personnel in the self-contained classrooms rather than for teachers who also work with mainstream students. This will ease the paperwork. Motioned by J. Lambert, second by A. Booher to approve the transfer of \$194,608. Motion passed 5-0.
- d) Professional Development Discussion: Lambert suggested we table this for the September board meeting.

10. Ongoing Business (Deliberation & Possible Action):

- a) 2nd Reading, Policy 5114(a), Student Conduct and Discipline
- b) 2nd Reading, Policy #5114(e), Search and Seizure
- c) 2nd Reading, Policy #5114(f), Interrogation or searches of students by law enforcement personnel or other non-school personnel
- d) 2nd Reading, Policy #5132, Dress Code
- e) 2nd Reading, Policy #5141, Immunization

MOTIONED by J. Lambert, second by J. Corrigan to group the 2nd reading of the above policies and approve. A. Booher said she would like to see information on the dress code sent out through Front Porch Forum, Alert Now and the Web as parents are starting to shop for school clothes for their children. Motion passed 5-0.

- 11. <u>Future Agenda Items:</u> Historic AMAO for grades 7-12; professional development discussion; Nellie Mae Update. Martineau said that she would be getting talking points for the Nellie Mae Grant monthly.
- 12. <u>Correspondence:</u> Letter from NEASC the high school was granted a delay in their accreditation until the year 2014/2015 because of the hiring of a new principal.
- 13. Adjourn: MOTIONED by J. Corrigan, second by A. Booher to adjourn at 9:25 p.m. Motion passed 5-0.

CONSENT AGENDA WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 15, 2012

- I. Meeting Minutes: June 7, 13, 18, 25, July 11, 2012
- II. Personnel Actions:
 - a) Approval of New Hires Professional Staff:
 - Drew Blanchard, .5 Technology Integrationist
 - Lisa Dold, Special Educator (E)
 - Jenny Estey, 9-12 OMNI
 - Jennifer Huber, Long-term Sub for S. Hamble (Gr. 4)
 - Catherine Lavigne, SLP (EEE-Gr. 2)
 - Maybeline Lopez, EEE District Evaluator (1 year for D. George)
 - Kari Osha, Special Educator (E)
 - Shannon Weiner, Elementary Teacher (Gr. 3, 1 year only for J. Lapointe)

III. Approval of Bills:

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#1230	Accounts Payable	\$79,305.51
#1	Payroll	\$12,388.54
#1001	941's	\$37,820.68
#1002	St.Vt	\$6,085.86
#1003	Dir.Dep	\$68,229.34
#1004	P/R Ded.	\$5,289.99
#1005	Accounts Payable	\$123,121.73
#1006	July Benefits	\$158,284.95
#2	Payroll	\$12,343.19
#1007	941's	\$21,572.98
#1008	St.Vt	\$2,818.16
#1009	Dir.Dep	\$53,060.07
#1010	P/R Ded.	\$7,268.62
#1011	Accounts Payable	\$57,613.71
#3	Payroll	\$9,851.79
#1012	941's	\$15,005.34
#1013	St.Vt	\$1,977.72
#1014	Dir.Dep	\$34,343.16
#1015	P/R Ded.	\$5,810.46
#2	Medicaid IEP	\$7,944.14 (Dist reimb./ IEP expenses PY)

Respectfully submitted,

Sandy Metivier Board Secretary