

BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

MINUTES

DATE: Tuesday, January 10, 2012

WHERE: PCES

Members Present: *Ann Bridge, Sarah Brown, Rachael Davis, Heidi Dow, Blaire Fagan, Holly Gifford, Cinthia Hoak, Rebecca Holt, Richard Hunt, Ronald Labonte, Patricia Ladd, George Nuite, Michelle Ward and Starre White.*

Members Absent: *James Bell Jr., Carrie Fellows, Donna Littlefield, student council members Sarah Hoak and Corynne Fellows.*

Call to Order: *The meeting was called to order by Michelle Ward at 7:00 p.m.*

Approval of Minutes: *A motion was made by Patricia Ladd and seconded by Cinthia Hoak that the minutes of the December 13th Board of Directors' Meeting be approved as presented.*

Vote: Yes ~ 14 No ~ 0 Ab. ~ 0 Student Council: Yes ~ 0 No ~ 0 Ab. ~ 0

Public Forum: *Mike Williams – Greenbush School Board District II Representative*

Mr. Williams called attention to several legislative bills and Department of Education initiatives based on a recent meeting of the Commissioner of Education and regional school board representatives. Topics covered were standards based system, NCLB waiver, zero based budgeting, work force planning, consolidation, insurance/LD 1326 - intervenor status in MEA law suit, and an independent EPS review. Mr. Williams shared contact information with the Board.

Correspondence: *Mr. Stearns distributed a letter of commendation from the commissioner regarding a very positive outcome on our recent Special Education Monitoring Review.*

Mr. Stearns distributed a letter from Apple Computer designating PCSS as an Apple Distinguished School for 2011-2012. This is the second consecutive year that PCSS has been one of 57 schools nationally to receive this award.

Educational Report: *Thelma Regan - PVAEC*

1. Adjustment to Agenda:

A motion was made by George Nuite and seconded by Cinthia Hoak that the Board of Directors adjust Item #3 to read "June 30, 2014."

Vote: Yes ~ 14 No ~ 0 Ab. ~ 0 Student Council: Yes ~ 0 No ~ 0 Ab. ~ 0

2. Policy Development:

A motion was made by Cinthia Hoak and seconded by Blaire Fagan to accept the final reading of policies DICA, IKFD, JJIAA-JJIAAE4, and GCFA-GCFAE2 of the SAD #4 Policy Book.

Vote: Yes ~ 14 No ~ 0 Ab. ~ 0 Student Council: Yes ~ 0 No ~ 0 Ab. ~ 0

3. Piscataquis Valley Adult Education Cooperative:

A motion was made by Cinthia Hoak and seconded by Blaire Fagan that the Board of Directors approves a one year extension of the Piscataquis Valley Adult Education Cooperative Agreement through June 30, 2014.

Vote: Yes ~ 14 No ~ 0 Ab. ~ 0 Student Council: Yes ~ 0 No ~ 0 Ab. ~ 0

4. Discussion Item: *2013 School Calendar - There was general consensus that the "DRAFT #2" calendar seemed best. Mr. Stearns will take that calendar to TCTC. It is expected that the SAD #4 Board will take action on the 2012-2013 calendar at the February meeting barring any snags.*

5. Student Council Report: *attached*

6. Adult Education: *Mrs. Regan distributed charts and discussed data pertinent to PVAEC programming. She also informed the Board of PVAEC initiatives to offer "certificate" courses to adult learners that will immediately increase their level of employability, as well as some new "self help" classes, showing folks how to do more with less in their home lives.*

7. TCTC Report: *TCTC next meets on January 19, 2012*

8. Committee Reports: *none*

9. Administrative Reports: *attached*

10. Chairperson's Report: *There will be a Budget Meeting on January 24th followed by a Budget Workshop on Saturday - January 31st (this workshop was canceled).*

11. Superintendent's Report: *attached*

12. Yearly Evaluation of the Elementary Principal:

A motion was made by George Nuite and seconded by Sarah Brown for the Board of Directors to go into executive session for the purpose of evaluating the Elementary Principal pursuant to 1 M.R.S.A. § 405 (6)(A), Title I Maine Revised Statute Annotated, Section 405, Subsection 6-C .

Vote: Yes ~ 14 No ~ 0 Ab. ~ 0 Student Council: Yes ~ 0 No ~ 0 Ab. ~ 0

Time In – 8:25 Time Out – 8:45

Action Taken: *A motion was made by George Nuite and seconded by Patricia Ladd that the Board of Directors extends the Elementary Principal's contract through June 30, 2015. Salary will be determined at a later date.*

Vote: Yes ~ 13 No ~ 1 (Ann Bridge) Ab. ~ 0

13. **Adjournment:** A motion was made by George Nuite and seconded by Sarah Brown to adjourn the meeting.

Vote: Yes ~ 14 No ~ 0 Ab. ~ 0 Student Council: Yes ~ 0 No ~ 0 Ab. ~ 0

Respectfully Submitted,

Paul A. Stearns
Superintendent of Schools
SAD #4