

**REGULAR MEETING
GRISWOLD BOARD OF EDUCATION**

**MONDAY,
July 11, 2011**

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A regular meeting of the Griswold Board of Education was held on Monday, July 11, 2011 at the Griswold Middle School Library Media Center. The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Chairman, Elizabeth Dorff.

PRESENT Elizabeth Dorff, BOE Chairman; Stuart Norman, Jr., Vice-Chairman; Kimberly Brunelle, BOE Secretary; Dr. Theresa Madonna; Laurie Sorder and Frank Everett, BOE Members.

ALSO PRESENT Dr. Paul Freeman, Superintendent of Schools; Dr. John DiIorio, Director of Curriculum, Instruction and Assessment; Holly McCalla, GPS Business Manager; Dr. Mark Frizzell, GHS Principal; Matthew Peel, GHS Associate Principal; Glenn LaBossiere, Athletic Director; Thanh Nguyen, GMS Principal; Sarah Cary, GMS Assistant Principal and Griswold Alternative School Principal; and Joe Bordeau, GES Assistant Principal.

ABSENT Ken Fitzgerald, BOE Member; Susan Rourke, GES Principal; and Madeline Illinger, Director of Special Education and Services.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MOTION By Frank Everett
Seconded by Stuart Norman, Jr.
To approve the regular meeting minutes of June 27, 2011, as presented.
Motion unanimously carried.

MOTION By Frank Everett
Seconded by Stuart Norman, Jr.
To approve the special meeting minutes of July 6, 2011, as presented.
Ayes – E. Dorff, S. Norman, Jr., K. Brunelle, and F. Everett
Nays –
Abstain – T. Madonna and L. Sorder
Motion carried.

COMMUNICATIONS

None

HEARINGS AND REQUESTS

None

STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE REPORT

None

NEW BUSINESS

- A. Griswold Public School Website Overview – Technology Director Jill Curioso presented an overview of the new Griswold Public School website.
- B. Approval of Non-Bargaining Unit Wage for Technology Director – The Superintendent requested that the Board approve a 2% wage increase for the Technology Director. The Technology Director will be added to the Non-Bargaining Unit wage sheet beginning next year.

MOTION

By Stuart Norman, Jr.
 Seconded by Laurie Sorder
 To approve a 2% salary increase for the Technology Director, as presented.
 Motion unanimously carried.

- C. Appointment of Campus Wide Activity and Athletic Director – The Superintendent is pleased to recommend to the full Board Glenn LaBossiere to the position of Campus Wide Activity and Athletic Director and asked the Board for approval of this recommendation.

MOTION

By Dr. Theresa Madonna
 Seconded by Frank Everett
 To approve the appointment of Glenn LaBossiere as the new Campus Wide Activity and Athletic Director, as presented.
 Motion unanimously carried.

- D. *Discussion of BOE Meeting Cancellation for August 8, 2011 – The Superintendent reported that we have already canceled the July 25th BOE meeting and are now requesting that the Board consider canceling the August 8th meeting. It would still allow us to have a meeting on August 22nd before the opening of school. He noted that if anything unexpected came up he would request a special meeting of the Board.

MOTION

By Dr. Theresa Madonna
 Seconded by Kimberly Brunelle
 To cancel the August 8, 2011 BOE meeting.
 Ayes – E. Dorff, K. Brunelle, T. Madonna, L. Sorder, F. Everett
 Nays – S. Norman, Jr.

Abstain -
Motion carried.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- A. Approval of Contract for Business Manager – Chairman Elizabeth Dorff noted that the BOE met in executive session at a prior meeting to discuss the Business Manager’s contract. She recommended taking action on this item.

MOTION

By Stuart Norman, Jr.
Seconded by Kimberly Brunelle
To approve the contract for the Business Manager,
as presented.
Motion unanimously carried.

- B. *Discussion and Approval of Superintendent Evaluation – BOE Chairman Elizabeth Dorff referred this item to executive session.

MOTION

By Stuart Norman, Jr.
Seconded by Frank Everett
To move into executive session at 6:40 p.m. for the
purpose of discussion of the Superintendent’s
evaluation, inviting the Superintendent to join them.
Motion unanimously carried.

The Board came out of executive session at 6:43 p.m.

MOTION

By Stuart Norman, Jr.
Seconded by Laurie Sorder
To approve the Superintendent’s evaluation with
correction to reflect 2011.
Motion unanimously carried.

- C. Extension of Superintendent’s Contract – Superintendent Freeman respectfully requested, in accordance with the terms of his contract, that the BOE extend his contract for an additional year.

MOTION

By Dr. Theresa Madonna
Seconded by Stuart Norman, Jr.
To extend the Superintendent’s contract by one
year, as requested.
Motion unanimously carried.

ADMINISTRATORS REPORT

Note: Dr. Freeman shared that we received some very sad news today that one of our middle school teachers, Sharon Kivlin, passed away last night.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

- A. Vacancies/Appointments/Resignations – The Superintendent reported on the appointments of the following individuals: Anne Klewin, GES F/T Kindergarten teacher; Melissa Whipple, GES F/T Instructional Assistant; and the following Leadership and Enrichment positions:

Team Leaders

GES

PK = Dawn Ellsworth
K = Janice Bennett
1 = Julie Breault
2 = Brenda Sanborn
3 = Diane Olsen
4 = Lori Yourell
Specials = Diane Langlais
Special Education = Terri Towle

Team Leaders

GMS

5 = John Felty
6 = Lars Weldy
7 = Sharon Hvizdak
8 = Kathy Brunelle
Co Special Education =
Janet Keffer and Kathy Nine
Exploratory Team = Erin Wraichette
Guidance - Paula Mikutel

Academic Leaders

GHS

English = Nadine Keane
Social Studies = Betsy Kowal
Science = Lorraine Dawley
Math = James Wilson
Special Education = Monica Pomazon
Health, PE & FCS = Dolores Walsh
Business/Technology = Colleen Wilber
World Lang & Arts & Culture = Rick Rule

Enrichment Positions/GHS

Freshman Success Coordinator = Carrie LaRoche
Junior Class Advisors = Kim Speight/Katie Trudelle
Extracurricular Vocal/Musical Director = R. Churchill
Extracurricular Instrumental/Music Director = Kevin Kinsall
Yearbook Advisor = Jessica Gillespie
Senior Class Advisors = Nadine Keane/Kasey Hosmer
Drama Coach (Fall Non-Musical) = Tim Moore
Drama Coach (Spring – Musical) = Ray Churchill
Educational TV/Video Coordinator = Tim Moore

MOTION

By Stuart Norman, Jr.
Seconded by Frank Everett
To approve the appointments, as presented.
Motion unanimously carried.

- B. Administrative Retreat – The Superintendent reported that the administrative team participated in a retreat in Boston last week and noted that it was a very successful experience for the administrators.
- C. Central Office Relocation, Phase I – The Superintendent reported that the Special Education office moved back on campus last week. They are now located at Griswold High School in the space which used to be known as the BOE room. The Superintendent and Business office also have plans to move back on campus to classrooms in the Griswold Middle School once the building project is complete.

COMMITTEE/BOARD REPORTS

- A. Building Committee – Committee Chairman Frank Everett updated the Board on the progress of the building project.

OTHER BUSINESS THAT MAY COME BEFORE THE BOARD

None

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

MOTION

By Stuart Norman, Jr.
Seconded by Dr. Theresa Madonna
To adjourn the meeting at 6:59 p.m.
Motion unanimously carried.

Minutes recorded by: Robin Drobiak