

Hartland Board of Education
Minutes of August 28, 2017
Conference Room

BOE Present: Steve Abrahamsen, Tim Irwin, Staci Haste, Alana Bordewieck, Ellen Smith, Christopher Metcalfe and Dr. Anthony Distasio.

Co-Chairperson **T. Irwin** called the Board Meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Approval of Minutes- June 12, 2017

- Motion to approve June 12, 2017 BOE Minutes- **S. Haste, S. Abrahamsen** otherwise approved **unanimous**.

Communications- None

Public comment on Agenda Items- None

Chair Report- None

Superintendent Report- Dr. Anthony Distasio-

- **CABE Conference-** November 17th & 18th @ Mystic Marriott. **A. Distasio** reported he will not attending this year due to the cost. He stated he would prefer to use the money for programs that directly affect students.
- **Summer Projects-**

Roof Project- **A. Distasio** reported a 3rd application has been submitted to the State due to some changes of the rules. It will now be a combined solar/roof project. Project is expected to be started during the summer of 2018.

New Front Door- **A. Distasio** reported the new front door was installed over the summer.

New Bathroom Vanity- **A. Distasio** reported a new vanity was replaced in the girl's bathroom located in the front of the school.

New Telephone System- **A. Distasio** reported the telephone system in the office has been updated.

Replacement of hallway speakers- **A. Distasio** reported 12 speakers have been placed throughout the school hallways. These are to help ensure all students and staff are able to hear school wide announcements. He also reported teachers will be able to make announcements in the event of an emergency, through their classroom phones.

Lighting Project- **A. Distasio** reported all lights have been replaced throughout the school except for the library. He stated they have ordered lights for the library that will extenuate the mural that borders the room.

A. Distasio reported Laura Hollingsworth will be out for about 2 to 3 weeks due to a minor complication during a medical procedure. He stated that he and **Alissa Goguen** will cover the building during her absence.

Principal Report-- L. Hollingsworth

A. Distasio reported Professional Development Days were being held August 28th and 29th. He stated that **Jim Bonetti** was in on the 28th to go over proper safety and emergency procedures, including lockdown drills with the teachers. **A. Distasio** reported that on Tuesday, August 29th, a Kindergarten Meet & Greet would be held. This event is held yearly for parents and students to come and familiarize themselves with the teacher, **Ms. Beblowski** and other classroom peers. He stated other items on the agenda were for teachers to go over IEP's for special education students and also to prepare their classrooms.

Committee & Liaison Report-

- **Board of Finance-** **A. Distasio** reported the next meeting will be held on September 20, 2017. He stated the Board of Finance did not meet in July or August.

Old Business-

- **2016-2017 Budget-** **A. Distasio** reported that the 2016-2017 budget was successfully closed and that the amount of \$266,199.14 was turned back to the Town of Hartland. He stated that the summer projects listed above were funded from the 2016-2017 budget.

New Business-

- **Budget-** **A. Distasio** reported the 2017-2018 budget is 3% expended and is in great shape.

- **Retirement-** **A. Distasio** reported a letter of resignation was accepted from **Christine Mitchell**, art teacher.
- **Staffing-** **A. Distasio** reported that **Andrea Siana** has been hired for the Art Teacher position. He stated that she had been a teacher and later went to work in the private sector. **A. Distasio** thanked **Nicole Fragione, Alana Bordewieck, Dan Spagnesi, and Ronnie Alicata** for serving on the Hiring Committee.

Public Comment on Agenda Items-

- **Dan Spagnesi**, music teacher expressed his appreciation to the Board of Education members who greeted the teachers and staff on their return, August 28th. He stated that he looks forward to a great year.

Future Agenda Items-

- Board Goals- October Meeting
- Committee Reports
- Next Meeting-
Motion to approve cancellation of September 11th meeting due to lack of quorum-
S. Hastey, A. Bordewieck, otherwise approved unanimous.

Adjournment: 7:35 pm

Respectfully submitted,

Sherice Bennett
Board Recording Secretary

Alana Bordewieck
Board Secretary

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