

PLYMOUTH SCHOOL BOARD
Minutes – Monday, February 4, 2008

School Board members Present: Mike Bullek, Wilma Hyde, Patrice Scott, Patty Buhrman, Kate Hedberg

Administration Present: Peter Hutchins, Principal; Shannon Bartlett, Assistant Principal; Connie Helgerson, Special Education Director; Mark Halloran, Superintendent of Schools

At 6:00PM, Mr. Bullek called the meeting to order.

I. Agenda Review and Disposition

Under Other Issues: Publication of Teachers Salaries.

II. Minutes of January 7, 2008, January 10, 2008, and January 22, 2008

*On a motion by Mrs. Scott, seconded by Ms. Hyde, the Board voted unanimously to amend the minutes of January 7, 2008 as follows:
Under Discussion Items b. Primary Voting at Plymouth Elementary School*

Mrs. Scott stated she is opposed to closing school for voting purposes on Primary Day but understands her colleagues concerns.

Under Nonpublic Session add: Parents of a student addressed the Board.

On a motion by Ms. Hyde, seconded by Ms. Hedberg, the Board voted unanimously to accept the minutes of January 10, and January 22 as written.

III. Principal's Report

Mr. Hutchins stated through Carolyn Varins efforts in reaching out to connect every child with health coverage, Plymouth Elementary is one of seven schools in the State to have 100% participation of students in health insurance programs. Mr. Hutchins displayed the plaque that was awarded the school.

Mr. Hutchins announced that the NECAPS results were in for grades 3-8. He stated that he is currently reviewing all the data but that he is pleased with the overall results and he will be giving a full report in the near future. In reading, of the 290 students tested, only 3% were below proficient. Of the 289 students tested in mathematics, only 9% were below proficient and of the 97 students testing in writing, 11% were below proficient. Mr. Halloran indicated that those scores were very solid within SAU #48.

IV Privilege of the Floor #1

None

V. Consent Items

a. Claims and Payroll

A manifest was circulated and signed.

b. Correspondence – LGC Request

On a motion by Mrs. Scott, seconded by Ms. Buhrman, the Board voted unanimously to join the effort of the New Hampshire Municipal Association to be part of the litigation against additional retirement costs. (See attached correspondence)

VI. Discussion Items

a. Art/Guidance Curriculum – 2nd Reading

On a motion by Ms. Hyde, seconded by Ms. Hedberg, the Board voted unanimously to approve the Art and Guidance Curriculum.

b. Principal Opening Advertisement

The Principal opening advertisement was distributed and discussed. Monika Bissell asked if the time line and format for the principal search had been decided. Mr. Halloran stated that after Nonpublic Session at the previous meeting the time line was distributed. More were made available at this meeting.

c. Nomination – co-curricular

Mr. Halloran stated that he would be announcing co-curricular nominations after Nonpublic Session.

d. Other Issues

Ms. Hedberg took this opportunity to thank the audience for attending the meeting and expressing interest in the budget process.

A discussion ensued regarding the publication of teacher and support staff salaries in the Town Report. Mrs. Scott moved to include wage schedule in the Town Report as it appears in the collective bargaining agreement. Ms. Buhrman was in favor. Ms. Hyde and Ms. Hedberg were opposed. Mr. Bullek asked that the issue be differed to another meeting to give Board members time to think it over.

e. Budget Hearing Preparation

The Board reviewed the Warrant Articles and FY09 Budget draft #4 in preparation for the Budget Hearing that would take place following this meeting.

VII. Privilege of the Floor #2

None

VIII. Nonpublic Session

At 6:40PM, on a motion by Ms. Hyde, seconded by Mrs. Scott, the Board voted unanimously to enter Nonpublic Session to discuss collective bargaining and nominations.

At 6:50PM, the Board returned from Nonpublic Session and took the following action

On a motion by Ms. Hyde, seconded by Ms. Buhrman, the Board voted unanimously to ratify the collective bargaining agreement with the Support Staff.

On a motion by Mrs. Scott, seconded by Ms. Hedberg, the Board voted unanimously to accept the following slate of nominations.

<i>Cindy-Lou Bridgmon</i>	<i>Food Service employee</i>
<i>Tina Julia</i>	<i>Pre-school Aide</i>
<i>Ann-Rene Boyer</i>	<i>1:1 Aide</i>
<i>Roland Bourque</i>	<i>Softball Coach</i>

At 6:55PM, the Board adjourned the meeting to open the budget hearing for 7:00PM in the multipurpose room.

Respectfully Submitted,

Susan Daigneault

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During Nonpublic Session the Board discussed Personnel and Collective Bargaining.

At 6:55PM, Meeting Adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted,

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BUDGET HEARING

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Mr. Halloran reviewed with the public the FY09 Warrant Articles and answered several clarifying questions with regard to the budget.

Mr. Woods thanked the Principal for his continued courtesy. Mrs. Estes thanked the Board and the Superintendent for creating a budget process that was easy for the public to understand despite the myriad of paper that is a necessity in the process in getting the budget to draft #4. (See attached budget and warrant articles for FY09)

Mr. Halloran asked the Chair for a motion to move the budget and warrant articles to the School District Meeting. On a motion by Ms. Hedberg, seconded by Ms. Hyde the Board passed the warrant and warrant articles as presented by a voice vote.

At 8:10PM, meeting adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted,

Susan Daigneault