

**MINUTES OF REGULAR SCHOOL BOARD MEETING,
MASON NH SCHOOL DISTRICT
SEPTEMBER 13, 2010**

A meeting of the Mason NH School District was held on Monday, September 13, 2010 at approximately 7:50 p.m. at the Mason Elementary School Cafeteria, pursuant to due notice of all members and the public.

Chairperson Dr. Donald Hodges called the meeting to order. Upon calling of the roll, the following members answered present: Wolfgang Millbrandt, and Dr. Donald Hodges. Superintendent Jim McCormick, Secretary Becky Partridge, Moderator Catherine Schwenk, Treasurer Sue Wagoner, Business Manager Brenda Wiley, Mike O'Neill and Principal Betty Mulrey were present.

Recognition of Public

Refer to sign in sheet dated 09/13/10.

Minutes of Previous Meetings

Motion by Wolfgang Millbrandt to approve minutes dated 8/23/2010 submitted by Becky Partridge, seconded by Dr. Donald Hodges.

aye: Hodges, Millbrandt

nay: none

Motion carried 2-0

Announcements of Next Scheduled Meetings

Monday September 27, 2010: Regular School Board Meeting at 7:45pm, MES Multi Purpose Room

Monday October 4, 2010: Regular School Board Meeting at 7:45pm, MES Multi Purpose Room

Monday October 18, 2010: Regular School Board Meeting at 7:45pm, MES Multi Purpose Room

Monday November 1, 2010: Regular School Board Meeting at 7:45pm, MES Multi Purpose Room

Monday November 22, 2010: Regular School Board Meeting at 7:45pm, MES Multi Purpose Room

Monday December 6, 2010: Regular School Board Meeting at 7:45pm, MES Multi Purpose Room

Monday December 20, 2010: Regular School Board Meeting at 7:45pm, MES Multi Purpose Room

Public Communications

Mr. Phillip Phalon asked if questions regarding the student handbook could be answered:

1. Page 10- Is the age requirement 16 or 18? Mr. McCormick said he would research. Mr. Millbrandt said that state law dictates no matter what the handbook states.
2. Page 22-conflict between the content on page 22 and 26. Is the school responsible during school hours? Mr. McCormick said that negligence would have to be shown.
3. Page 41-states pocket knife is OK? Mr. McCormick stated that it is state law however he does not agree and would address if the situation was to occur.

Business Manager, Mike O'Neill:

Board members reviewed current manifest, two building checks and two payrolls. Mr. Millbrandt asked why the manifest showed the District paying for a Building Committee member to build mail slots. Mr. McCormick stated that the Building Committee member was reimbursed for materials only and volunteered his time and expertise. It is noted that board members signed said documents.

Mr. O'Neill submitted the following documents for review:

- CHPS Checklist (attachment 2)
- Financial Report of Building Project (attachment 1)

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- Superintendent recommendation: Proposal from Plodzick & Sanderson for auditing purpose

Motion by Wolfgang Millbrandt to hire Plodzick & Sanderson for last years audit to be completed this year, seconded by Dr. Donald Hodges.

aye: Hodges, Millbrandt

nay: none

Motion carried 2-0

Superintendent's Report, Mr. McCormick:

- Mrs. Partridge will deliver supporting documentation to school board members before meetings
- Para training provided from the state free of charge
- Final draft to state on building (Library waiver, fire codes, etc..)
- District goals (attachment 4)
- School Board Association membership-Dr. Hodges stated that the board did not want to be members. Mr. McCormick stated that the membership appears to have been done before he was hired but he will investigate (attachment 5)
- School Cafeteria report from state (attachment 6)
- Request for William Sterns School Fund and/or the Boynton Common School Fund (attachment 7)
- October calendar complete-in future will be working on calendar for three month periods
- Webpage-in progress but going slow since doing it right the first time

Mr. Phalon asked Mr. McCormick if the library information provided to the state was in regards to the library across the street or a library within the school. Mr. McCormick stated it was in regards to the information that needed to be provided about the library across the street. Mr. Millbrandt said that soon it would be more feasible to provide each child with a Kindle. Mrs. Partridge stated that there was something to be said about a child holding a book and reading it. Mr. McCormick stated that he agreed.

Principal Report, Betty Mulrey:

- Family letter including bus schedule and list of staff (attachment 3)
- After school program-small fee this year
- Children have been ringing bell on their birthdays
- Opening day enrollment 118 students: Pre-K-#10, K-#15, 1st-#18, 2nd-#2, 3rd-#15, 4th-#21, 5th-#19
- String orchestra will be offered again this year
- NECEP testing in October and NWEA testing in September

New Business

- Proposal for facility use fee for outside groups only (attachment 8)

Motion by Wolfgang Millbrandt to approve proposal (attachment 8), seconded by Dr. Donald Hodges.

aye: Hodges, Millbrandt

nay: none

Motion carried 2-0

- Work order form (attachment 9)

Committee Reports

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Building Committee Report, Bob Bergeron:

Mr. McCormick informed the board that the punch list is still in progress as there are areas of concern (roof and door leaks)

MESO Committee Report, Becky Partridge:

Mrs. Partridge informed the board that she has sent out the revised 1023 form to the IRS and is awaiting confirmation on the 501 c3 status.

Motion by Wolfgang Millbrandt to enter into executive session at 8:50 pm per RSA 91-A:3 II (b) hiring of public employee, (a) dismissal, promotion, or compensation of any public employee and (e) negotiation of pending claims or litigation, seconded Dr. Donald Hodges.

aye: Hodges, Millbrandt

nay: none

Motion carried 2-0

Those present were Dr. Donald Hodges, Wolfgang Millbrandt, Superintendent Jim McCormick, and Secretary Becky Partridge.

Discussion:

- Update on legal services
- Update on Mascenic bill from 2009 / 2010
- Appointment of staff

Motion by Wolfgang Millbrandt to enter back into public session at 9:55 pm, seconded by Dr. Donald Hodges.

aye: Hodges, Millbrandt

nay: none

Motion carried 2-0

Motion by Wolfgang Millbrandt to accept the Superintendent's recommendation for the following appointments:

1. OT / PT-Linda Lannin
2. Speech and Language Assistant-Melissa Mercer
3. Speech Pathologist- Carolyn Garretson
4. School Psychologist for 2 hours per week-Stephanie Kavouras

seconded by Dr. Donald Hodges.

aye: Hodges, Millbrandt

nay: none

Motion carried 2-0

Chairperson Dr. Donald Hodges signed approve appointments for the school year 2010-2011.

Wolfgang Millbrandt moved to adjourn the meeting at 10:05 pm, seconded by Dr. Donald Hodges.

Respectfully submitted,

Becky Partridge
School Board Secretary