

**Oyster River Cooperative School District
Regular Meeting**

January 8, 2014

6:30 p.m.

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BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Chair Maria Barth, Tom Newkirk, Kenny Rotner, Al Howland, Ed Charle, Ann Lane and Student Representative: Peter Zwart Not Present: Megan Turnbull

ADMINISTRATORS PRESENT: Superintendent Jim Morse, Susan Caswell, Jay Richard, Todd Allen, and Catherine Plourde

There were five member of the public in attendance.

I CALL TO ORDER at 6:30 p.m.

II PLEDGE of ALLEGIANCE

III PUBLIC COMMENTS

Dean Rubine of Lee announced that the play Peter Pan is being put on by the Oyster River Players this weekend in Exeter.

He congratulated the Board on a productive December.

IV APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Motion to approve the December 18, 2013 meeting minutes:

Revision: Al Howland Moved and Kenny Rotner 2nd to come out of the meeting of the nonpublic meeting at 10:00 p.m. and upon roll call voted adjourned the meeting at 10:05 p.m,

Page two replace “excused” with “recused” switch “opposed” and “in favor of”

Page 3 Motion failed 2-5 Maria and Ann Lane were the two that opposed. The motion was approved 6-0 with the student representative voting in the affirmative.

Kenny Rotner moved to approve the minutes with the above revisions, 2nd by Al Howland. Motion approved 6-0 with the Student Representative voting in the affirmative.

V ANNOUNCEMENTS AND COMMENDATIONS

A District: Todd Allen announced the Gatorade Runner of the Year is Maegan Doody.

B Board: Kenny Rotner thanked the community for all their input and involvement for resolving the issues in December. He would like the Board to send a note of thank you to Shirley Thompson for her donation to the track fund.

VI DISTRICT REPORTS

A Assistant Superintendent/Curriculum and Instruction Report:

B Superintendent's Report: There was an inquiry by an abutting land owner Mr. Yager to see if there was interest in purchasing property. He met with the Superintendent and they walked the property. The high school principals and athletic director are looking into it and will report back to the Board their findings.

The letter has been drafted to parents that are in the geographic areas that will be impacted by the redistricting of the elementary schools next year.

Superintendent Morse is crafting a town report detailing the tuition agreement that has been reached.

C Business Administrator: Sue Caswell will be reviewing the draft warrant later in the meeting agenda.

D Student Senate Report: The Student Senate is having a fundraiser on February 13th.

DISCUSSION ITEMS:

Guild Negotiations Update: Superintendent Morse feels that people came to the table and spent an all-day session before Christmas. As a result of negotiations, we have lowered health care costs by 295,701. The Guild has agreed to reduce personal days from 6 to 4 and bereavement leave was added in. These negotiations were done in a very amicable way.

Cost Details:

	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	Notes:
Salaries	\$490,319	\$390,979	\$375,629	1 2% + 500 last step 2 1.5% + 250 last step 3 1.5% + 250 last step
Increase in Stipend Scale:	\$ 2,274	\$ 2,295	\$ 2,319	1% each year contract

Total Wage Inc.	\$402,593	\$393,275	\$377,948	
FICA	\$ 37,683	\$ 30,086	\$ 28,913	
Retirement	\$ 69,751	\$ 55,688	\$ 53,517	
Add. Annuity	\$ 15,000			Additional \$100 match
Driver Health Payout				
Reduction:	-\$295,701	-\$ 37,079	-\$31,209	Change to BC2T20(07) RX10/20/45 \$20 office copay Pres. Drug copay 10/20/45 District pays 89% yr 1 88% year 2, 87% year 3
Total Cost	\$319,627	\$441,969	\$429,169	

Al Howland moved to approve the agreement with the Oyster River Teacher's Guild, 2nd by Tom Newkirk.

Kenny Rotner will recuse himself from the voting on this agreement. Motion passed 5-0-1 with Kenny Rotner recusing himself and the Student Representative voted in the affirmative.

Draft Warrant Article: Sue Caswell reviewed the draft Warrant Articles with the Board. These are the articles that will be reviewed at the January 14th Public Hearing.

Article 1: To choose a Moderator for the coming year.

Article 2: To choose two at large School Board members for the ensuing three years.

Article 3: Shall the District vote to approve within the provisions of NH RSA 273-A:3 the cost items included in the collective bargaining agreement reached between the Oyster River Teacher's Guild and the Oyster River School Board

which calls for the following increases in salaries and benefits at the current staffing levels:

2014-2015 \$319,827
2015-2016 \$441,969
2016-2107 \$429,169

And further to raise and appropriate the sum of \$319,827 for the 2014-2-15 fiscal year, such sum representing the additional costs attributable to the increases in salaries and benefits required by the new agreement over those that would be paid at current staffing levels.

Article 4: Shall the District raise and appropriate as a supplemental appropriation for the current fiscal year, the sum of \$1.00 for the purpose of construction an addition and renovations to add a cafeteria to the Moharimet School. The amount will be funded from existing revenues; the entire cost of construction will not exceed \$500,000 with that amount to come from the unexpected funds in the District's 2013-14 budget as a result of an insurance "premium holiday from the Local Government Center on the District's health insurance premiums".

Article 5: Shall the District vote to approve the construction of two additional classrooms in the Moharimet School at a cost not to exceed \$325,000 payable over a term of five years with an annual appropriation of \$65,000.

Article 6: Shall the District vote to discontinue the following Capital Reserve Funds with said funds with accumulated interest to date of withdrawal, to be transferred to the general fund.

Article 7: Shall the District vote to approve a tuition agreement between the Oyster River School District and Barrington School District, as negotiated by the School Board which provides for an initial term beginning on July 1, 2015 and ending on June 30, 2015.

Article 8: Shall the District raise and appropriate as an operating budget, not including appropriations by special warrant article and other appropriations

voted separately, the amount set forth on the budget posted with the warrant or as amended by vote of the first session, for the purposes set forth herein, totaling \$39,325,985 distributed as follows: Fund 10=\$38,061,624 regular operating budget Fund 21 = \$603,361 expenditures from food service revenues Fund 22=\$655,000 expenditures from federal/special revenues Fund 23=\$6,000 expenditures from pass through funds. Should this article be defeated, the operating budget shall be \$37,511,593 Default Budget which is the same as last year with certain adjustments required by previous actions of the district or by law.

2014-15 Draft School Calendar: Kenny Rotner moved to approve the draft school calendar with the two day workshop at the beginning of the school year, 2nd by Al Howland. Motion passed 6-0 with the Student Representative voting in the affirmative.

Charging Barrington Students for Busing: Superintendent Morse discussed offering bus transportation and prices for charging Barrington students. They are estimating a cost of \$5 per day which is \$1000 for the school year. There was a Board discussion.

Al Howland move to authorize the superintendent providing busing to Barrington at an additional cost 2nd by Kenny Rotner. Motion approved 6-0 with the Student Representative voting in the affirmative.

VIII ACTIONS

Motion to approve a one year Barrington Memorandum of Understanding for Tuition Students for the 2014-2015 school year. Kenny Rotner moved to approve a one year Barrington Memorandum of Understanding for Tuition Students for the 2014-2015 School Year noting that the Special Education is \$13K plus \$7K, 2nd by Al Howland. Motion approved 6-0 with the Student Representative voting in the affirmative.

Ann Lane moved to approve a request for a Moharimet Paraprofessional leave of absence for the remainder of the 2014-14 school year, 2nd by Al

Howland. Motion 6-0 with the Student Representative voting in the affirmative.

Winter Coach Volunteers:

Glenn MacDonald	Boys Basketball
Sam Kerrigan	Boys Basketball
Jacob Renaud	Indoor Track

Ann Lane moved to approve the above list of winter coach volunteers at Oyster River High School, 2nd by Kenny Rotner. Motion approved 6-0 with the Student Representative voting in the affirmative. Ann Lane would like to thank the volunteers for their service.

SCHOOL BOARD COMMITTEE UPDATES

The Policy Committee will be meeting on January 15th

Trifold for the budget vote: The Board discussed the content of the material for distribution.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

None

NON PUBLIC SESSION: RSA 91-A:3 II(e) Pending Claims of Litigation
Upon roll call vote, Kenny Rotner moved to enter into nonpublic session
RSA 91-A:3 II(e), 2nd by Al Howland. Motion approved 6-0 with the
Student Representative voting in the affirmative.

Respectfully yours,

Laura Grasso Dobson
Recording Secretary