

November 10, 2011
Minutes of Regular Meeting
Marlborough School Board
Marlborough School, 5:30 p.m.

In attendance:

Michael Briggs, Board Chair
Julie Farhm, Board Member
Kristen Hill, Board Member
Mitchell Silverman, Board Member
Twain Braden, Board Member
Wayne Woolridge, Co-Superintendent of Schools
Tim Ruehr, Business Administrator for Towns
Reuben Duncan, Principal
Kathy Brady, Recording Secretary

Also in attendance for all or a portion of the meeting: John Ryan, Marge Shepardson, Gilda Goodrich, David Wirth, John Kondos

1. **Call to Order:** Mike Briggs called the meeting to order at 5:40 p.m.
2. **Approval of Minutes:** *Twain Braden made a motion to accept the minutes from October 13, 2011 as written, Julie Farhm seconded the motion, vote taken, 5 – 0, motion passes.*
3. **Public Input:** None
4. **Bills and Manifests:** *Kristen Hill made a motion to accept checks #4005103 – 4005104 in the amount of 1,218.19, and checks # 4005105 – 4005156, in the amount of \$147,739.44, Julie Farhm seconded the motion, vote taken, 5– 0, motion passes.*
5. **Financial Report:** Mr. Ruehr reviewed the Marlborough School District Report of Revenue vs. Expenditures. Current balance available, as of 11/10/2011. \$373,804.00.

- Mr. Duncan reported that they continue to monitor bus pick up procedure and it continues to work well.

- Update on Sale of Old School – Grant that Mr. Thibault was hopeful in securing was not successful. The old school now remains the property of the Town of Marlborough. Mr. Thibault has requested that they extend their opportunity to purchase another year, with a \$5,000 deposit put down. Mr. Ruehr stated that this would need to go back to the voters for approval. Mr. Briggs believes they should ask the town what they would like to see happen with the property. Need to have options available. Mr. Ruehr stated they would need permission from the town to sell and that the board might want to craft a warrant article at the end of January.

6:00 pm – Solar Contractor Selection

a. Bid Review: Mr. David Wirth of Perkins Home Center and Mr. John Kondos representing Solar Source reviewed their proposals for the solar project.

Both contractors stated that they would cut as many trees as needed to complete the project without an increase in the proposed cost.

6:27 p.m. Board adjourned into non-public to discuss their contractor selection.

6:44 p.m. Board returned from non-public and public session was called to order.

Twain Braden made a motion to accept Perkins Home Center as the contractor to complete the solar project at Marlborough School, Julie Farhm seconded the motion.

Mr. Braden reported that Perkins qualifications on the arrays and micro inverters were compelling. Vote taken, 5 – 0, motion passes.

At this time the board decided to budget funds for the Solar System Educational Component into next year's budget.

Kristen Hill had a question for Mr. Ruehr regarding an article in the paper regarding school tuitions.

6. Reports

Ashley Dekeryel, Vice President of Student Council gave a report out on various Student Council activities:

- Elections
- Spirit Week
- Dance
- Food Drive
- RJ's quote for clothing line
- iPod Policy being submitted to Mr. Duncan
- Winter Festival

a. Principal – Reuben Duncan reported on the following:

- Enrollment 193
- Report out on 3 Goals
- Student Support Center Data

Discussion ensued on bus pick up issues and pick up time. Winter might possibly present a problem, will continue with the current plan and continue to tighten up as needed.

b. Co-Superintendent – Mr. Woolridge reported on the following:

- 1 student missed 5 or more days; 5 for sick and 6 for OSS
- KHS Principal Search
- Modifying Block Scheduling
- KMS Update
- Keene Elementary Recommendation
- NAEP Testing
- Flex grant
- Constitutional Amendments.

c. School Board Members: None

- d. SAU29 Committees: None
- e. Safety Committee: None
- f. Technology Committee: will be meeting on Mondays at 3:00, Mr. Briggs will try to attend.

Kristen Hill gave a brief update on Wellness Committee, looking at 2 topics, snacks and school lunch. Would like to have some written guidelines for snacks at school. School lunch – would like to see a healthier lunch.

Mr. Duncan reported that he met with Keene Food Service and wants to take a look at wellness and healthy offerings. Keene Food Service reported that they can support their wellness initiatives but that it will be a cost issue. Marlborough would be the first school to look at the “cook from scratch” idea.

Keene Food Service will be asked to make a presentation to the Wellness Committee who will then report out at the school board level.

7. Non-Public Session – R.S.A. 91-A:3

A motion was made by Ms. Farhm that the Board move into non-public session at 6:27 p.m. under the provisions of R.S.A. 91-A:3 to discuss negotiations. Ms. Hill seconded the motion, all in favor.

Ms. Farhm moved to remain in non-public session at 6:44 p.m. to discuss staff personnel. Ms. Hill seconded the motion. All in favor.

Ms. Hill made a motion to move out of non-public session at 8:00 p.m. Ms. Farhm seconded. All in favor.

8. Old Business:

a. Scholarship Application Review: Ms. Hill handed out the scholarship application form with some rewording for the board to review. Slight modifications were made with Mr. Braden’s input, Mr. Braden made a motion to accept new form with modifications, Julie Farhm seconded the motion, vote taken, 5 – 0, motion passes. Ms. Hill will be giving form to Mrs. Mary Fish to refine.

9. Public Input: None

10. New Business:

a. Mr. Duncan brought forth two expenditures from the Endowment Fund that needed board approval.

\$2,000 to assist with KSC transport

Julie Farhm made a motion to expend \$2,000 from the endowment fund to assist with partial payment for transportation of KSC students to Marlborough School, Twain Braden seconded the motion, vote taken, 5-0, motion passes.

\$872 to purchase snowshoes from LL Bean (8 pairs of youth shoes, with poles)

Twain Braden made a motion to expend \$872 from the endowment fund to purchase snowshoes from LL Bean. Julie Farhm seconded the motion, vote taken, 5 – 0, motion passes.

11. Future Agenda

- Doug McGill
- Wellness Committee Report out on Keene Food Service report
- Student Government Report (near top of agenda)
- KSC Student Update
- Senora Goodman – Spanish, Cheri Nutting – Library/ Media

Meeting adjourned at 8:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathleen Brady, Recording Secretary

APPROVED: 12/8/11