

**FALL MOUNTAIN REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
SCHOOL BOARD MEETING
Monday, March 24, 2008**

Superintendent Livingston called the meeting to order at 6:34 PM in the Fall Mountain Regional High School Library. In attendance were Cheryl Cavanaugh, Andy Collins, Jim Elsesser, Ken Hart, Rob Pearson, Chuck Shaw and Chas Street. Brendan Minnihan and Steve Varone were also present.

Jake Chamberlain led those present in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Election of Officers:

Motion: (Collins/Cavanaugh) to elect Jim Elsesser Chairperson. Passed- Unanimously

Motion: (Collins/Pearson) to elect Cheryl Cavanaugh Vice Chair. Passed- Unanimously

Motion: (Cavanaugh/Collins) to elect Chuck Shaw Treasurer. Passed- Unanimously

Motion: (Street/Pearson) to elect Ken Hart Secretary. Passed- Unanimously

Stan Jurkoic introduced Coach Larry Sayers and members of the girls and boys cross-county ski teams whose accomplishments were being honored by the Board. Superintendent Livingston recognized Jake Chamberlain, Kirsten Beaudry, Devon Short, Eric Malnati, Jake Hewes, Isaiah St. Pierre, Bryant Tullar, Nicole Perry, Megan Trow, Morgan Greene, Noelle Tullar, Rebecca Spiltoir, Maggie Vogel, and Larry Sayers.

Board members congratulated Coach Sayers and members of both teams and presented them with Awards of Excellence.

Motion: (Collins/Cavanaugh) to approve the minutes of the March 10, 2008 Public Session with corrections. Passed Unanimously.

Old Business:

Mr. Howland added his congratulations to members of the cross-country ski teams, reported favorably on the All-Sports Banquet, and mentioned an article in the Eagle Times about the FMRHS Barn Project. Also mentioned was the Math Team's participation in a State meet and a FMRHS Softball Team scrimmage.

Ms. Ferland reported a successful Freshman Orientation, field trips being taken by the French Club and Band and Choir Groups, and the National Honor Society Induction Ceremony planned for April 1st.

Ms. Cavanaugh mentioned the Policy Committee had met earlier in the day to continue the policy review. The next meeting would be April 14th at 5:00 PM.

Reports of Administrators:

Superintendent Livingston advised Board members that Principal Carol Bennett had scheduled a meeting at the Vilas School at 7:30 PM on March 27th to bring together Selectmen, parents and other stakeholders to look at options for housing the Alstead Attendance Area kindergarteners and fifth graders next year.

Mr. Jacobs reported the Walpole Site-Based Committee would host a forum at the North Walpole School at 6:30 PM on April 9th to discuss utilization of three empty classrooms at that school.

Mr. Varone distributed data on the bio-diesel experiment conducted with one school bus this year and asked the Board's approval to discontinue testing due to the large increase in the cost of bio-diesel fuel. The Board consensus was that enough data had been collected and the testing could be halted. In addition, Mr. Varone presented an Unaudited Financial Report for the period ending February 29, 2008.

Superintendent Livingston mentioned the two open administrative positions had been advertised and plans were underway to hold interviews during the week of April 21st; with her recommendation coming before the Board by the May 12th meeting.

Board members were asked to consider having a Board Workshop to develop 2008-2009 Board Goals and long-range goals starting at 5:00 PM on April 28th.

New Business:

Chair Elsesser initiated discussion on the formation of a FMRHS Building Committee. Several community members were named who had indicated a desire to serve on the committee and Mr. Street was asked to chair. Mr. Collins, Steve Varone, Tom Ronning and Bill Botting were also asked to participate.

Mr. Street promised to report back at the next Board meeting with a list of committee members and a time line for the committee to follow.

Motion: (Shaw/Street) to approve an overnight trip by the FMRHS Quiz Bowl Team to compete in Washington DC, April 3-6, 2008. Passed- Unanimously.

Motion: (Collins/Cavanaugh) to approve a request for an unpaid leave for Ramon Greene, April 14-18, 2008. Passed- Unanimously.

Motion: (Pearson/Street) to approve contract offers for
Dominic St. Pierre, Junior High Track Coach
Jerry McDougle, Junior High Assistant Track Coach
Curt Doolittle, Junior High Assistant Track Coach
Jen Kelly, Junior High Assistant Track Coach
TJ Perry, Junior High Assistant Track Coach
Bill MacDonald, Charlestown Softball Coach
Jason Bardis, Charlestown Baseball Coach
Pilar Fowle, Food Service Worker, Walpole Primary School, effective 4/7/2008

Passed- Unanimously.

Motion: (Collins/Cavanaugh) to accept the resignation of **Catherine Tanguay**, Special Education Aide, Charlestown Primary School, effective 6/30/2008. Passed- Unanimously

Motion: (Cavanaugh/Street) to approve the retirement of **Christine Waysville**, Special Education Aide, Alstead Primary School, effective 6/30/2008. Passed- Unanimously.

Motion: (Street/Shaw) to accept the resignations of **Andrea Domitrovich**, Special Education Teacher, Charlestown Middle School, effective 3/21/2008; and **Jeremy Martin**, Special Education Aide, Charlestown Middle School, effective 3/24/2008. Passed- Unanimously

Motion: (Shaw/Street) to approve a contract offer for **Jeremy Martin**, Special Education Teacher, Charlestown Middle School, effective 3/24/2008

Motion: (Cavanaugh/Pearson) to approve a First Reading of Policies:

CA: Administrative Goals

ECAF: Telephone Services

GBCD: Background Investigation and Criminal Records Check

IL: Evaluation of Instructional Programs

IJO: Community Resources

IHCD: Advanced College Placement

ILBA: Assessment

JCA: Change of School or Assignment

JFAB: Admission of Homeless Students

JH: Student Absences and Excuses

JI: Student Rights and Responsibilities

JICFA: Hazing

JLC: Student Health Services

JLDBA: Behavior Management and Intervention

KA: School, Community and Home Relations

KED: Facilities or Services- Grievance Procedure (Section 504)

Passed- Unanimously

Motion: (Cavanaugh/Collins) to approve a Second Reading and Adoption of Policies:

EBBB: Accident Reports

IF: Instructional Approach

IHAE: Physical Education

IHAK: Character and Citizenship Education

IHCA: Summer Activities

IJ: Instructional Materials

IKB: Homework

JJIB: Interscholastic Athletics

JJIC: Eligibility for School Athletics

KE: Public Complaints About Instruction, Discipline or Learning Materials

Passed- Unanimously

Motion: (Shaw/Cavanaugh) to accept the treasurer's report as presented.

3/14/2008	Accounts Payable	\$ 275,546.75
3/17/2008	Accounts Payable	506,148.37
3/17/2008	Accounts Payable	22,445.19
3/17/2008	Accounts Payable	55,461.94
3/17/2008	Accounts Payable	119,280.69
3/21/2008	Dental Claims	519.50
3/21/2008	Dental Claims	572.20
3/21/2008	Dental Claims	13,652.60
3/21/2008	Accounts Payable	107,917.19

Passed Unanimously.

Chair Elsesser adjourned the meeting without objection at 7:32 PM.

Respectfully submitted,
Linda M. Pappas,
Board Clerk