Isle La Motte School Board Meeting  
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July 15, 2015

Meeting Called to order at 6:23 pm. by LK.

Attendance - Louise Koss (LK), Barbara Callahan (BC), Lynn Carpenter (LC), Barbara Burrington (Supt.) (BB), Tom Tregan (Principal-hiree) (TT), Janet Soavi (JS), and Jane Zera.

Adjustment of Agenda – Tax Anticipation Note, Grant info, and executive session Contract and Substitute payments.

Approval of Minutes: June 24th, BC motioned LK 2nd.

Board Discussion: JS reported an Eagle Scout will be doing a trail project for his Eagle project. LC reminded JS that we need to check on to be sure there are no issues with liability should someone doing the trail project be injured.

Superintendent’s Report: B. Burrington brought contracts. She reported she is working on creating a format for reports to simplify and be more consistent across GI county and among the 5 schools, especially with Act 46 in mind; to report in a uniform and crisp way; there will be a monthly central office mtg; a written report from the Curriculum Coordinator, Business Mgr., Dir. of Student Services, legislative updates, and all celebrations from all schools so everyone will know what is going on in the schools. This report will go out monthly to all school boards.

She has met with the Leadership Team and developed a list of issues that need to be addressed: First is the SWIFT program, how it is working and will work for all school students. Aug. 11 another day will be spent on the SWIFT program. Another outcome of the Leadership Team meeting was to revisit consolidated federal investments to comply with the federal audit and the loss of the 21C Program. There is no more GRACE program, and because of the importance of the afterschool program, it was decided that it is necessary to have the afterschool program. Funds have been pulled together to have a coordinator to take over this afterschool program, so kids will have opportunities after school and it would not cost families anything. She has also visited the summer camp. The morning session is to be reimbursed through the LIREC grant (Literacy Innovation In Rural Education Through Collaboration) while the afternoon session is supported by the Preservation Trust. She spoke with the three teachers at our school and Mr. K at the Goodsell Ridge. The program has 19 children participating. The afternoon camp is a collaboration between the ILM School and the Preservation Trust. The small school literacy grant now has Mr. Tregan as the primary point of contact and instructions have been given to all teachers about how to submit receipts. All documentation of grants should go to central office so all grants can be tracked. The GISU will be getting a written reprimand because of the delays in corrective actions on the audit being taken. Further, ACT 46 information was presented at a meeting. The schools in GI county have to determine how they want to move forward. The GISU chair asked that each board vote to move forward to take part in the collaborative study. It is a courtesy, not legally necessary. The VSHA, VSBIT, & VSA have created the ACT 46 Implementation Project which will create a structured framework to assist towns with support and services to achieve effective implementation of ACT 46.
Policies at the GISU are out of date and out of compliance. The Policies Committee is going to be activated. Supt. Burrington has enrolled in the yearlong VT Supt. Assoc. Leadership Academy, which will be held one day a week in Montpelier, and presented by Mike Dewess.

Principal's Report:
Mr. Tegan is pleased to be here and looking forward to working here. He stated there is much to learn and he looks forward to the challenge.

Board Discussion Continued:

Budget to Actuals: We are approximately $4,600 in the red, although LC stated we may have additional Special Ed. Revenues coming. It was discussed that the process for invoicing, including appropriate documentation accompany all invoices, be followed and sent in in a timely fashion.

Board discussed information presented from expenses earlier in the year to be submitted to the LIREC grant for possible reimbursement. Barb Larvey will be asked if she could locate invoices or receipts for these submissions.

Board Action:
A motion was made by BC, seconded by LK, that Barb L. be allowed to go head with the plaque for the podium.

A motion was made by LK, seconded by BC, to sign the Tax Anticipation Note in the amount of $100,000 at 0.95% interest.

Approval of payment for the lunch payroll for summer camp in the amount of $175.58 & $29.10 tax.

Payables for FY15 of $15,512.10 approved. Motioned by LK and 2nd by BC. Payables for FY16 of $54,648.66 approved. Motioned by LK and 2nd by BC.

Executive Session: 7:45 pm Out of Executive session: 8:00 p.m.

Contracts and pending contracts were discussed.

Next meeting is Aug. 15th at 6 p.m.

Meeting Adjourn at 8:04 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted by Barbara N. Callahan

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