

Minutes Thursday, May 19, 2016 South Hero School Board Special Meeting
At Folsom Education & Community Center

6:03p.m. Meeting called to order by Kris Bowser, Board Chair

In attendance: Kris Bowser, Dave Cain, RJ Sweeney, Bernie Toth, Bentley Vaughan, Board members; Emily Bowser, Board Secretary; Jenny Perry, Principal; Hannah Morrison, Tim Maxham, Farryl Bertman, Peter Bowser, Melanie Hendersen

Adjustment of Agenda: none

Public Comments: Melanie Hendersen followed up on Monday May 16th's Act 46 meeting and proposed that if South Hero were to join with towns across the state, virtual means such as Skype and CISCO could be used as facilitators.

Superintendent's Report, Barbara Burrington unavailable to present, attending a conference

- Board reviewed the report and had no questions.

Principal's Report, presented by Jenny Perry, Principal

Highlights:

- **Hiring Update:** The final candidates for the 3-4 and 5-8 positions have been recommended to the superintendent, who will make her recommendation to the Board at the next meeting. The Home School Coordinator has already been recommended and the contract was present for the Board to review and sign.
- **Maintenance:**
 - The radon test came back negative, and the water test came back free and clear of all contaminants.
- *Anything Goes!* was a huge success!
- Bike Train has started back up as of last week.
- Science NECAP has been completed
- AED Celebration is scheduled for May 24th at 6:00pm - 7:30pm
- Grades 3-4 have been going to the cemetery for South Hero history, have really embraced it as a learning experience. South Hero Museum and Wilder Homestead field trips planned.
- Grades 7-8 are currently in Quebec, and everything is going well.
- 8th Grade exit conferences are being held 27th, 31st, 1st and 2nd. They are open to the public.
- The 8th Grade will also be going to Niquette State Park on the 3rd to perform community service and meet graduation requirements.
- 8th Grade Graduation is June 7th.
- **New Principal, Lenny Badeau**
 - Has started making the transition, Jenny will be working with him for the next month where he will meet students and the community.

- Second Priority: Many lunch table/bench units are broken, and while the pockets are okay, the units need replacement
 - Third Priority: Paving the drive, including sidewalk and curb.
 - Folsom Staff's Recommendations:
 - Need another 5 wireless printers for the Chromebooks
 - Library desktops need to be replaced/updated
 - Replace kitchen laptop, as it is no longer functional
 - Interactive whiteboards for the rest of the classrooms. (Mimios)
 - Math Workbooks (3-8)
 - Literacy: Readers'/Writers' Workshop coming out with new units which need to be purchased.
 - Kindergarten needs new whiteboard, and listening center.
 - K-2 needs take-home bags for literacy.
 - Next year eligible for the Starbase program for 5-6, the cost for bussing is a concern.
 - Library & Middle School science classes robotic kits need to be updated
 - 1-2 numbers are increasing, would like larger carpets for both spaces
 - Choral Risers for the musical department. Currently have 2, need 1 more.
 - The PTO may be willing to contribute to this purchase, the Board or Principal will put that forward.
 - Science Lab:
 - Lab stations, 3 different options
 - Eyewash downstairs removed, and install another in the science lab
 - (10) analogue microscopes and (1) digital microscope.
 - Board instructed Jenny to solicit feedback from new science teacher, and new principal.
 - Gym Floor
 - The Board authorized Jenny to move ahead and open to bids, Bentley Vaughan will work with her to design the flooring.
 - The new lighting for the stage will also include new sound system and curtains, as the company being used can do all three.
- Robinson Gift Discussion
 - The Board thought it would be nice to use the Robinson Gift for a gym renovation, which keeps the gift localized to a general area.

Board Action:

- Motion to approve minutes for 04/27/2016, Dave Cain moved to accept, Bernie Toth seconded, motion passed unanimously.
- Principal Jenny Perry presented contracts of Steve Berard, Kathryn Buermann, Cassandra Shoram, Amy Provost, Susan McNayr, Linda Perry, Alicia Poquette, Cynthia Hutchins, and Terry Seekamp for signature. Kris Bowser moved to accept, Bernie Toth seconded, motion passed unanimously.

- Kris Bowser presented motion to approve the contract of Lenny Badeau as new principal provided it the language reflects that of the Board. Kris Bowser, Bentley Vaughan, and Bernie Toth will review and sign tomorrow. RJ Sweeney seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.
- Bernie Toth made motion to pay bills, RJ Sweeney seconded. Motion passed unanimously.
- Motion to adjourn made by Kris Bowser at 9:34p.m., seconded by Bernie Toth and approved unanimously.

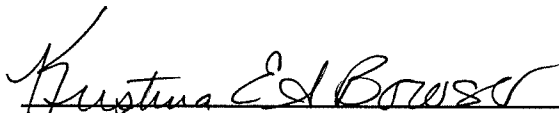
Executive Session: entered at 9:00 p.m.

Board Correspondence/Sharing: none

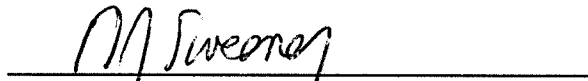
Follow-up/Old Business: none

Meeting officially adjourned at 9:34p.m.

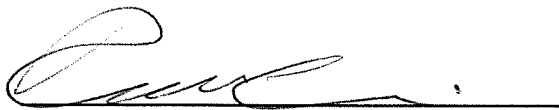
Next meeting will be June 2nd, 2016 at 6:00p.m., Folsom Education and Community Center



Kristina Bowser




RJ Sweeney



Dave Cain



Bernadette Toth



Bentley Vaughan