Nashua School Board Regular Meeting

Tuesday, January 12, 2016

Nashua School Library

6:00 PM

1. Call to order and Pledge: Board Chair Dale Pugh called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm and led the Pledge of Allegiance.
2. Roll call: Joe Laumeyer, Cole Sibley, Greg Nybakken, Joel Novak, Dale Pugh, Mrs. Cunningham, Linda Parpart.
3. Approval of Minutes: 12-08-15 Regular Meeting, 12-30-15 Special Meeting

Motion by Joel to approve the meeting minutes as written.

Second by Greg. Vote: 5 - 0 Passed

1. Approval of Expenditures – District Bills and Activity Accounting:

Linda reported there is no activity accounting report since the bank statement has not arrived.

Motion by Joe to approve the district expenditures.

Second by Joel. Vote: 5 - 0 Passed

1. Correspondence to the Board: none
2. Public Comment: Carl Laumeyer asked if the gym corner padding is being worked on and was told it is being looked at.
3. Old Business:
   1. ***Update Policy 1700 – Uniform Complaint Procedure:***

Mrs. Cunningham stated that the policy was modified, taking into consideration the suggestions from the last meeting. The revised draft was reviewed and approved by legal counsel.

Motion by Cole to approve the revised Policy 1700 – Uniform Complaint Procedure and form as a first reading.

Second by Joe. Vote: 5 - 0 Passed

* 1. ***Approve Purchase of 14-Passenger Yellow Bus:***

Dale asked Mrs. Cunningham if her recommendation still stands. She replied that she has provided all of the information and will let the board make a decision. She recommended a decision be made one way or the other since this is the third month this has been on the agenda.

There was discussion regarding gas versus diesel and developing a procedure to ensure we have qualified drivers.

Motion by Joe to purchase the 14-passenger yellow bus with a gas engine.

Second by Cole. Vote: 5 - 0 Passed

Mrs. Cunningham will contact other schools and our insurance company to gather information in order to prepare a procedure to present to the board.

1. New Business:
2. ***Personnel Hires – Music Teacher for 2016-17:***

Mrs. Cunningham recommended hiring Brett Baker as the Music teacher for 2016-17, pending background check. Mr. Baker has eight years of experience, is currently teaching in North Dakota, and is working on getting his Montana teaching certificate.

Motion by Joe to hire Brett Baker as the Music teacher for 2016-17, pending background check and Montana teaching certificate.

Second by Cole. Vote: 5 - 0 Passed

1. ***Student Activity Accounts Prom Fund Disbursement:***

Mrs. Cunningham explained that there is a Prom Fund in the student accounts and no one seems to know the history of this account. The money has been sitting untouched for several years and it is assumed it was raised by some group to be spent on prom. Mrs. Cunningham recommended the funds be disbursed evenly amongst the class funds for grades 7-11 so that each class gets a portion to be spent on prom.

Motion by Cole to disburse the Prom Fund amount evenly amongst the class funds for grades 7-11.

Second by Greg. Vote: 5 - 0 Passed

Joe pointed out that he would like to see us purchase a floor mat to protect the gym floor during prom and other events.

1. ***Superintendent Evaluation:***

This item will be moved to after Item 11.

1. Board reports:

* Joe reported that he did a school walk-through on December 22 and visited with many teachers and students.
* Joe also reported he sent out a survey to parents regarding Friday Activities. Nine surveys were returned but there was no due date so he will send a letter with a due date and clarification regarding involvement of parents/community members.
* Dale reported he and Greg will have a work session on January 14 with classified staff regarding salaries.

1. Superintendent’s Report:

* We had a K-9 inspection in December and had the same hit in the junior high girl’s bathroom that we have had for the past several inspections. Nothing was found again. Mrs. Cunningham is hoping to have a parent presentation on the next visit.
* Mrs. Cunningham will attend an assessment conference in Billings on January 21-22.
* Mrs. Cunningham reported she and Ms. Rorvik have been exploring ACT preparation options and will be implementing several of the options.
* We have signed an agreement with the College of Great Falls to offer dual-credit courses.
* There is a school staff party on January 23 at Vick’s Lanes with bowling and pizza.
* Honor Band is January 25 in Glasgow with the concert at 6:30 pm. Ten students are participating.
* PIR scheduled for Friday, January 15 with motivational speaker who is a retired teacher/principal.

1. Next Regular Board Meeting: February 9th at 6:00 pm.

8. New Business: (this item was moved from above)

***c. Superintendent Evaluation:***

Dale stated, “with regard to the Superintendent evaluation, pursuant to Montana law, I have determined that the individual rights of privacy clearly exceed the merits of public disclosure. At this time, I am convening the board in a closed session and will ask that members of the public leave the room.”

The meeting was closed at 6:30.

The meeting reopened at 7:35.

1. Adjournment:

Motion by Cole to adjourn the meeting.

Second by Joe. Vote: 5 - 0 Passed

Meeting adjourned at 7:35 pm.

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Chairman Clerk

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