

MEETING MINUTES
Chelsea Board of School Directors
Regular Meeting
Wednesday, July 16, 2008 @ 7:00 PM
Chelsea School Business Education Room
Approved August 20, 2008

Board Members Present:

Emily Marshia, Chair
Chris Byrne, Vice Chair
Joseph Spinella
Tracy Crocker

Community & Staff Members Present

David Bickford, Superintendent
Karoline Johnson, Principal
Jennifer Cypher, Recording Secretary

Call to Order

Emily called the meeting to order at 7:05 pm.

Pledge of Allegiance

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Approval of Minutes

The minutes of June 18 were approved with one correction (the amount borrowed from Chittenden Bank will be \$814,000).

Adjustments to the Agenda

None.

Correspondence

None.

Public Comments

None.

Reports

Principal's Report

Caroline provided Board members with a Principal's Report. The report gave information regarding summer school participation and explained the desire to hire Mary Mascoveta as a paraprofessional to assist with summer school. The report also acknowledged Jessica Toffling as being selected for the Administrative Assistant position, and announced the resignation of Anthony Popoli. Amanda Gray has been selected to fill Anthony's position.

Superintendent's Report

David provided a list of employees who are in the process of being hired for the following positions:

Mary Mascoveta, Summer School Instructional Aide

Jessica Toffling, Administrative Assistant

Amanda Gray, Second Grade Teacher

Victoria Caldes, First Grade Teacher

Yolanda Perry, Part-Time Science Teacher

A motion was made to accept the recommendation to hire Mary Mascoveta, Jessica Toffling, Amanda Gray, and Victoria Caldes as recommended by David and Karoline. This was approved. The Board will act on the recommendation for part time science teacher at its next meeting.

The school district is looking to hire a half-time Facilities Maintenance Consultant, who will assist with long-term facilities planning. David will email the Board members a status update on the roof project.

OWSU Executive Committee Report

A meeting was held on Tuesday June 24th. The conversation regarding quality education resumed. The Board authorized the school district to hire a half-time Facilities Consultant for one year. The members also discussed the possibility of common cultural events (e.g., a multi-school band concert, drama production, etc). The executive committee will meet in August and September to continue discussion; the next full Board meetings will be held in August and November.

RTCC Representative Report

Joe indicated that a programming committee meeting will be held in the next few weeks.

Old Business

None.

New Business

None.

Future Meetings

The next regular Board meeting will be held on August 20. The Board Retreat is scheduled for August 6.

Executive Session

The Board entered Executive Session at 7:50 pm to discuss negotiations. The Board exited Executive Session at 8:18. No action taken.

Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned at 8:19.