

**Moultonborough School District**  
**Monthly School Board Meeting Agenda**  
**Tuesday, November 13, 2007**  
**Town Hall Meeting Room**

**Present:** Laurie Whitley, Fox Smith, Kathy Garry, Mark Borrin, Bill Blackadar, Michael Lancor, Kay Peranelli, Scott Laliberte, Andrew Coppinger, Lou Goscinski, and Laurie Caldwell

Chairperson Whitley called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m. and led attendees in the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Public Agenda:**

1. Personnel Announcements: The Chairperson announced the following:

- Judith Pryor - Retiring in June 2008.
- Coach Appointments:
  - Joanne Baker - JV Girls Basketball
  - Brian Boyle-White - Volunteer Varsity Ice Hockey
  - Sabrina Lary - Volunteer Varsity Ice Hockey
  - Greg Diltz - Volunteer Coach Girls Varsity Basketball
  - John Malm - Volunteer Mid-Level Basketball
  - Laurie Burke - Mid-Level Girls Basketball, Grade 8
  - Mike Christy - Mid-Level Boys Basketball, Grade 7

**Public Input:** None.

**Approval of Minutes:**

A. Mark Borrin moved, and Fox Smith seconded a motion, to approve the minutes from the October 9, 2007, School Board Meeting. All voted in favor.

**General Items:**

A. Student Council Report\*: Evan Ames, President of the Student Council, updated the Board on Student Council activities. The Homecoming Dance raised over \$800, and they hope to do another one later in the school year. Student parking rules will be Seniors in a designated spot, Juniors first come, first served, and Sophomores will park on Blake Road. He also updated the Board on discussions that have taken place on summer reading. He hopes to meet with Administration and the department regarding the survey that was done among students.

B. Senior Class Report\*: The Board received a letter from Senior Class President, Hannah-Rose Mann, requesting a change in color for graduation gowns. Hannah-Rose attended the meeting and spoke with the Board requesting a change in color of the girl's graduation gowns from red to white. The Board considered the request and the research that was done by the class. The Board discussed the importance of tradition. Bill Blackadar moved, and Kathy Garry seconded a motion, to accept the senior class request to change the girls graduation gowns from red to white for this year only. Four Board members were opposed to this motion and one was in favor. The motion failed.

George West and Jeanne Rudzinski were in attendance to update the Board on the Senior Class Trip to Disney World. Costs have gone up significantly since the last meeting. Concerns were raised about other trips that will be going to Spain and Canada. Fundraisers were discussed. There is still time before final deposits. Students are still interested in pursuing this trip.

C. Transportation Contract Proposal: The Board received the minutes of the Transportation Budget Committee meeting held on October 23, 2007. Chairperson Whitley announced the following:

- The Superintendent of Schools was authorized to contact First Student to determine whether or not First Student is interested in a multi-year renewal of the current contract.
- Mr. Lancor has spoken with representatives from First Student and a renewal proposal will be presented to the School Board during the Special Budget Meeting scheduled for Monday, November 26.

D. AlertNow\*: The Board received information on AlertNow which includes an annual cost of \$1,739.10 if the District were to commit to a three-year term. The 2007-2008 budget line for PowerSchool is \$12,595. Our actual total cost to bring PowerSchool on line at MCS was \$10,897 leaving a balance of \$1,698 in this line item. Mrs. Peranelli and Ms. Maroon have confirmed that these funds could be used to contract with AlertNow. Mr. Lancor recommends that we contract with AlertNow at this time. There was discussion on the pros and cons of acquiring this system. Bill Blackadar moved, and Mark Borrin seconded a motion, to spend reserve money to implement the AlertNow System. All voted in favor.

Training of staff, education of parents, and a test of the system will be done before implementation of AlertNow.

### **Chairperson's Report:**

A. Calendar: The Chairperson announced the following important calendar dates:

*Monday, November 26, 2007: Special Budget Meeting - 4:00 p.m., SAU Office*

*Tuesday, December 11, 2007: Monthly School Board Meeting - 7:00 p.m., Town Hall*

B. MEEF Petitioned Warrant Article: The Board received a copy of a petitioned warrant article submitted to Mr. Lancor by Sally Carver on November 5, 2007. The Board will take a position after the public budget hearing.

C. Budget Committee Report to Select Board\*: The Board received a copy of the report presented to the Select Board on October 25, 2007. The recommendations on page 4 include modeling the budget committee after the Town of Holderness' budget committee. The minutes of the meeting during which the Holderness committee was discussed are on pages 6 and 7. The consensus of the Board is that

they need to fully understand what it means to the School District and they will meet with the Selectmen.

- D. NHSBA Delegate Assembly and Resolutions\*: The Board received the registration form, along with a copy of the resolutions for 2008, for the NHSBA Delegate Assembly to be held on Saturday, January 19th. Mr. Lancor announced that the Delegate Assembly has been postponed until a later date.
- E. Other Matters: Chairperson Whitley updated the Board on the Municipal Needs Committee's activities.

#### **Pupil Personnel Services Director's Report:**

- A. Other Matters: None.

#### **Central School Principal's Report:**

- A. Calendar: Mr. Laliberte reviewed the calendars for the months of November and December. Report cards went home today. He thanked Terry Dempsey publicly for putting together the Veterans Day Assembly. The PTA Holiday Fair will be held on December 1st. Lydia Eaton reported that there has been overwhelming participation and donations this year. Seventy percent of the profit goes to the Principal's Fund for cultural events.

- B. MCS Breakfast Club/Project Home: The Breakfast Club and Project Home are two committees that have come about as a result of the recharging of the Character and Citizenship committee. The group felt that their focus had become too broad and that there was a need to interject new ideas and energy into this pivotal part of our school culture.

As such, the Breakfast Club was formed as a group of interested staff members who will serve as advisors and 'behind the scenes' supporters of Together Assemblies. Its goal is to continue this tradition while placing greater emphasis on exhibiting student work from our classrooms. Students will take on a more active role in the assemblies, while staff members support, organize and encourage from behind the scenes.

The Project Home group had formerly been a subcommittee of the C&C Committee. Staff members felt that this was a perfect time to form a separate group charged with plotting the continuation of this important initiative within our school. Mr. Laliberte reviewed the membership and current status of both groups.

- C. One Book, One Community: Mr. Laliberte provided the Board with an update on this important literacy project. On January 10th there will be a kick-off event at the MA auditorium.

#### **Academy Principal's Report:**

- A. Calendar: Mr. Coppinger reviewed the calendars for the months of November and December. He reported that 81 students have signed up for the Lock-In being

sponsored by MTA and the Town Recreation Department.

- B. Parent Advisory Committee: Board members received minutes of the PAC meeting held on Tuesday, November 6, 2007. There are almost 30 parents on the contact list.
- C. Fundraising Activities\*: Mr. Coppinger discussed with the Board the list of proposed fundraisers, how much is raised, and what the monies are used for. Approximately \$18,000 is raised. Bill Blackadar moved, and Kathy Garry seconded a motion, to approve Moultonborough Academy fundraising as listed through February. All voted in favor. The March through June fundraisers will be discussed at the next Board meeting.
- D. Clothing Clear-Out: Mr. Coppinger updated the Board on the new weekly procedure for cleaning-out unclaimed clothing. Approximately 50% of the items are claimed when they are put out and there is no storage available for the remainder. Most items will be donated to a shelter.

#### **School Business Administrator's Report:**

- A. 2007-2008 Budget Expenditure Update: Mrs. Peranelli reviewed the end-of-October budget report. There are no major issues at this point.
- B. Audit Report\*: The Board received key pages from the 2006-2007 audit report which Mrs. Peranelli reviewed with the Board. Also reviewed was the Manager's Letter and there were no weaknesses identified in the internal audits.
- C. 2007 Tax Rate: Mrs. Peranelli discussed the 2007 tax rates as established by the Select Board and Department of Revenue Administration on October 30, 2007. The Board received the Schedule of Appropriation payments. This year's total rate is \$6.99/\$1000. Last year's rate was \$6.71/\$1000.

#### **Superintendent's Report:**

##### *Old Business:*

- A. MCS Assistant Principal Search\*: The Board reviewed the time line for the MCS assistant principal search. Committee members met on Tuesday, October 23 and surveyed MCS staff and parents regarding desired qualities and traits of the next MCS assistant principal. The Board also reviewed the parent and staff survey forms and a draft brochure. This position will be advertised immediately.
- B. 2008-2009 Budget Time Line\*: Mr. Lancor reviewed the budget time line. There was discussion of the Buildings & Grounds meeting which is taking place after 11/26. The Municipal Buildings Committee will be at the December Board meeting.

##### *New Business:*

- A. October 1, 2007 Student Enrollment: Mr. Lancor reviewed the District's October 1, 2007, student counts. These are official BOY (Beginning of Year) student counts.

- B. November 1, 2007 Census: Mr. Lancor discussed with the Board the census completed on November 1 by Mrs. Lynn Diltz.
- C. Professional Development Plan Approval: The District received a letter from the Department of Education approving the District's Professional Development Master Plan through June 30, 2011.

**School Board Committee Reports:**

- A. Buildings and Grounds: Mr. Lancor, Mr. Borrin and Mr. Blackadar reviewed the Buildings and Grounds Budget meeting minutes held on October 23, 2007.
- B. Personnel and Negotiations: Chairperson Whitley and Kathy Garry reviewed the minutes of the Personnel Budget Committee public session meeting held on October 29, 2007. A majority of work is done in nonpublic session. Mr. Lancor discussed the health insurance increase.
- C. Transportation and Insurance: See General Items.
- D. Policies: No Report
- E. Athletic Committee: Fox Smith and Kathy Garry reviewed the minutes of the Athletic Budget Committee meeting held on Friday, October 26, 2007.
- F. Technology Planning Committee: Mr. Lancor, Mr. Borrin and Mr. Blackadar reviewed the minutes from the Technology Budget Committee meeting held on Wednesday, October 31, 2007.

**Administration/Community Committee Reports:**

- A. Moultonborough Taking Action (MTA): It was announced that the District received an MTA grant award in the amount of \$10,000 from the Carroll County Office of Human Services.
- B. Wellness Advisory Committee\*: Mr. Lancor discussed the agenda for the Wellness Advisory Committee meeting held on October 30, 2007. The two sub-committees meet again on Tuesday, November 13, 2007.

**Public Input:** None.

At 9:10 p.m. Mark Borrin moved, and Bill Blackadar seconded a motion, to adjourn to non-public session under RSA 91-A:3, Paragraph 11(a), (b), (c). A roll call vote was taken with all members answering in the affirmative.