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Ashford Board of Education
Regular Meeting Minutes – July 18, 2013

7:30 p.m.

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Call to Order

Chairperson D. Wesson called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

Board Present

Present were members D. Wesson, K. Warren, L. Donegan, and John Lippert. Also present were Superintendent Dr. J. Longo and Ann Littlefield, attorney from the Shipman and Goodman Law firm. Unable to attend were board members K. Rourke, J. Rupert, and B. Supina.

Persons to be Heard

None

Recess

The Board went into a recess at 7:31 p.m. and went out of recess at 9:23 p.m.

Communications

None

Secretary's Minutes of June 6, 2013

J. Lippert motioned to accept the secretary's minutes of June 6, 2013. L. Donegan seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

Administrative Reports

Superintendent's Report

Budget 2012-2013

All orders were closed on Sunday, June 20th and we have begun the process of finalizing the status of the funds at the close of the fiscal year. Our initial estimate is that we will have close to 1% of unexpended funds to be held over into our non-lapsing account. Additionally, we expect to have a small fund to return to the town. The precise amounts will be clear shortly as final bills trickle in. The books are in great shape and all expenses have been booked and accounted for.

2013-2014

The process of implementing the new budget year has begun and orders are currently being processed.

School Safety

The town has allocated \$103,000 for facility improvements dedicated to student safety. We have begun to schedule projects approved for that purpose. The School Safety and Security Committee met and created a priority list of projects. Rough price estimates have been given to each item on the priority list. Bids will be in on July 19th for the relocating of the offices and the cameras for school security. **L. Donegan made a motion to authorize Dr. Longo to exercise the list the School Safety Committee has prioritized.**

J. Lippert seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

Dr. Longo applied for the School Security Grant on July 17th, 2013. The camera system went out to bid and the bid closes on July 19th. Dr. Longo had to execute the bid process on the cameras and relocation of the classrooms so the projects can be finished before school starts. The Board discussed the priority list and charged Dr. Longo to implement the priority list put together by the School Safety Committee.

Leaves of Absence

A motion was made by L. Donegan to approve the requests for a leave of absence by Jennifer Zotti and Nicole Preston. Seconded by J. Lippert. Motion passed unanimously.

Board Goals

Board members should draft a list of what they would like to see for goals for the Ashford School for the next meeting.

Extended School Year

Dr. Longo stated that summer school is going great.

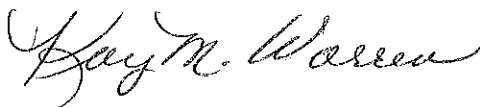
Next meeting

August 8th—Negotiations from 6:30-8:30 p.m. Board members are invited to attend.

August 15th—Regular Board Meeting at 7:30 p.m. in the Media Center.

Adjournment

K. Warren motioned to adjourn at 9:55 p.m. Seconded by L. Donegan. Passed unanimously.



Kay M. Warren
Secretary to the Ashford Board of Education