

Regular Meeting of the Pelham School Committee

August 20, 2012

Pelham Community Room

In Attendance:

Debbie Gould, Chair

Maria Geryk, Superintendent

Darius Modestow

Lisa Desjarlais, Principal

Annemarie Foley

Rob Detweiler, Finance and Operations Director

Kathy Mailhot

Fred Vanderbeck, Finance Committee

Absent:

Trevor Baptiste

1. Welcome

6:35 p.m.

Ms. Gould called the meeting to order. Ms. Mailhot agreed to take minutes in Ms. Westmoreland's absence.

Ms. Gould made a motion to go into Executive Session. It seconded by Mr. Modestow. Roll Call vote: in favor was Ms. Gould, Ms. Foley, Mr. Modestow, Ms. Mailhot, Open Session resumed at 6:43 p.m.

Correction to Minutes of June 7, 2012 "E. Accept Gift" last sentence should read Mr. Modestow seconded and the motion was unanimously approved.

Ms. Foley motioned to accept the minutes of June 7, 2012 as amended, the minutes of June 26, 2012 and July 10, 2012 as written. Mr. Modestow seconded and all were in favor.

2. Public comments

6:44 p.m.

No public comments.

3. Principal's and Superintendent's Update

6:34 p.m.

Ms. Geryk distributed a printed report, and highlighted the upcoming Convocation, First Day Celebration, Project Backpack, and the Summer Interns. Ms. Desjarlais reported that the Positive Behavior Interventions & Supports (PBIS) is about ready to rollout at the beginning of the year. *Everyday Math* materials are arriving daily and the staff has completed training. Technology purchases include six computers, two whiteboards, two projectors, two cameras, two iPads and a scanner. A report listing the enrollment information was handed out.

4. New and Continuing Business

7:14 p.m.

A. Regionalization Update

Ms. Geryk explained that the PVPC agreed to assist the process by seeking and funding an educational consultant and that a financial consultant will also be hired soon after. Mr. Modestow handed out a proposed timeline for the four towns. There will be two options pursued: 1) regionalizing the four elementary schools together; 2) full regionalization of the complete school systems of the four towns. Public forums will be scheduled for information and feedback.

B. Update for the *Pelham Slate*

Ms. Mailhot volunteered to submit a brief summary to the quarterly publication. Before being submitted for publication, she will send the proposed article to committee members for review.

C. Preschool Start-Up Costs

Ms. Desjarlais handed out a list of items needed to set up the Preschool. Some items have been donated already. We will look to get as much donated as possible as long as they are quality items. There was much discussion regarding funding of those remaining items that would need to be purchased. Ms. Gould made a motion to authorize Ms. Desjarlais to begin purchasing supplies to set up the Preschool. It was seconded by Mr. Modestow. All were in favor.

D. Accept Gifts

There were no gifts to accept at this time.

5. School Committee Planning

8:25 p.m.

Next Meeting Scheduled for Thursday October 4, 6:30 p.m. FY12 end of year report will be put on the agenda.

6. Adjournment

8:30 p.m.

Ms. Gould motioned to adjourn. Ms. Foley seconded and all were in favor.

Respectfully submitted

Kathy Mailhot

Approved November 1, 2012