

Little Compton School Committee Minutes

March 11, 2010

Present: J. Quinn, L. Brousseau Lebreux. M. Shapiro, D. Gomez, M. Harrington, Dr. Devine-Superintendent, James Gibney, Principal and others.

I. Meeting was called to order at 7:13 pm in the Wilbur/McMahon School Commons.

II. Executive Session – RIGL 42-46-5(2)- Grievance. On a motion made by M. Harrington, seconded by L. Lebreux it was unanimously voted to approve sealing the minutes of the executive session.

III. Public Input: None

IV. Consent Agenda: On a motion made by L. Lebreux, seconded by M. Shapiro it was unanimously voted to approve the consent agenda with two items pulled out. February 11, 2010 meeting (clerical) Donald Gomez needs to be added to the minutes as being present. The letter from Jane Argentieri was pulled out for clerical reasons to correct an error stated in the letter by J. Argentieri which stated that Dr. Devine “Refused” to go into executive session. This was not correct because there was a snow day on the planned day and the next meeting the union representatives were not available.

V. a. Spotlight on Excellence: School Musical, presented by Mr. Whitehouse. At a request by the Chairman this item was moved before the public input. Kegan Paige and Elizabeth Goulart performed one of the musical pieces from the play for the committee.

b. Superintendent Report: Discussed the following: Will report about

the state funding formula during the discussion item I.

c. Principal's Report: Reported the generosity of the Wilbur and McMahon Schools donations to the Haiti Relief Fund as a whole, as well as individual students. Spoke about the Title I Math night that was presented by Amanda Gomes and what a great success it was. On April 30, 2010 there will be a career day. Also, mock trial is continuing with the addition of Cheryl Comley.

Personnel Matters: None

VI. Action Items

a. Budget Committee Request. On a motion made by M. Harrington, seconded by D. Gomez it was unanimously voted to pay the last note of the school bond loan in the amount of \$104,650.

b. Policy, Crisis intervention, second reading, presented by Mr. Gibney. On a motion made by M. Harrington, seconded by L. Lebrux it was unanimously voted to approve the Policy Crisis intervention on its second reading as written.

c. School Calendar, 2010-11, presented by superintendent. On a motion made by M. Harrington, seconded by M. Shapiro to approve the 2010-11 school calendar. On an amendment to this motion made by L. Lebrux, seconded by M. Shapiro it was unanimously voted to amend the calendar to have December 23, 2009 off and extend the last day of school.

VII. Discussion Items:

- a. Policy, Physical Restraint of students, first reading, presented by superintendent. On a motion made by M. Harrington, seconded by J. Quinn it was unanimously voted to table this discussion to the next meeting.**
- b. Date of OMA training, presented by the superintendent. On a motion made by M. Harrington, seconded by D. Gomez it was unanimously voted to ask for the training for March 31, 2010 as the first date and April 7, 2010 as the second date of choice for the training.**
- c. State Funding Formula, presented by the Superintendent. Dr. Devine discussed the meeting he had with representatives of RIDE and questions he asked pertaining to the State Funding Formula.**
- d. Superintendent Search, presented by the Chairman. Applications should be submitted by April 9, 2010 for people interested in being on the Superintendent search. A discussion was held about posting a notice in the Sakonnet Times about this search committee.**

VIII. On a motion made by M. Harrington, seconded by D. Gomez it was unanimously voted to Adjourn at 9:04 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Cheryl Sylvia

Secretary to the School Committee