

Little Compton School Committee Minutes

January 19, 2011

Present: L. Brousseau-Lebreux. M. Shapiro, D. Gomez, D. Beauchemin, J. Quinn, Kathryn Crowley-Superintendent, James Gibney, Principal and others.

I. Meeting was called to order at 7:03 pm in the Wilbur/McMahon School Commons.

II. Executive Session: On a motion made by J. Quinn, seconded by M. Shapiro it was unanimously voted to seal the executive session minutes.

III. Public Input: None

IV. Consent Agenda: On a motion made by M. Shapiro, seconded by L. Lebrueux it was unanimously voted to approve the consent agenda.

V. Spotlight on Excellence: Veteran's Day presentation summary presented by Mrs. Turcotte and Mrs. Comley.

VI. Personnel Matters: None

VII. Superintendent Report:

a. Senator Lou DiPalma, will be rescheduled to next month.

b. Technology presentation, David Vernaglia. David discussed the needs for our school to advance in technology. Students will be required to take standardized tests on computers so we will be moving toward mobile stations at an estimated cost of \$20K per station. The first year cost would be estimated at 120K. The electrical would need to be replaced. Thirty to forty percent of the wiring is non-functioning. The estimate for new wiring would be approximately 50K.

c. Little Compton grades 5-8 will be participating in a grant to improve science. Teachers will participate in professional development in the summer. There will also be a strong technology component.

d. The superintendent discussed the building project. As superintendent she called J. DaSilva from RIDE to discuss further what the requirements were for Stage II. J. DaSilva gave further insight in what is required. The chairman directed the superintendent to put a letter together in conjunction with the school committee and the town council. A suggestion was made to downsize the building committee. Instead of a large building committee there will be an advisory committee to a more reduced building committee. The superintendent will be the point of contact with RIDE.

e. An update was given pertaining to the Middletown High school visit. Although the turnout was small the presentation was excellent.

VIII. Principal's Report: NECAP scores will be coming out soon. The road race took place here last weekend and went well.

IX. Action Items:

a. Social Networking policy. On a motion made by J. Quinn seconded by M. Shapiro, it was unanimously voted to approve the Social Networking policy.

b. Confidentiality Form. On a motion made by J. Quinn seconded by M. Shapiro, it was unanimously voted to approve the confidentiality form.

c. High school advisory committee, presented by M. Shapiro. On a motion made by M. Shapiro seconded by L. Lebrun to form a High

School advisory committee. A discussion took place; after the discussion the motion to form an advisory committee failed 1-4. (Shapiro-nay).

d. Appointment of two members to the superintendent's policy committee. On a motion made by J. Quinn, seconded D. Gomez it was unanimously voted to appoint Lynn Lebrux and D. Beauchemin to the superintendent's policy committee.

e. Appointment of committee to study alternative renovation plan. On a motion made by J. Quinn, seconded by D. Gomez it was unanimously voted to table this item to the next meeting.

f. Appointment of the superintendent to the Eastbay Collaborative and Regional Special Education committee. On a motion made by D. Gomez, seconded by J. Quinn it was unanimously voted to appoint K. Crowley to the Eastbay Collaborative and Regional Special Education committee.

X. Discussion Items:

a. Bullying Policy: On a motion made by D. Gomez, seconded by L. Lebrux it was unanimously voted to table this item to the next meeting..

b. Appropriation of \$5,000 to the Building committee's account for its Outreach effort which will include several small newsletters as well as a comprehensive multi-page newsletter highlighting the building project. On a motion made by J. Quinn, seconded by D. Beauchemin it was unanimously voted to table this discussion to the next meeting.

c. Appropriation of \$2,500.00 to fund additional schematic drawings provided by Durkee, Brown, Viveiros & Werenfels Architects for

changes recommended by the building committee pertaining to the site elements to the west of the school (sketch as well as proposal from DBVW to be provided. This site change, if approved by the building and school committees would be to complete the Stage II application that was sent to RIDE on 11-19-10. On a motion made by L. Lebrueux, seconded by D. Gomez it was unanimously voted to move this item to an action item. A discussion then took place. Further reimbursement would only be due to the fact that it is above and beyond the initial estimate for the Stage II application. The \$2,500. would be compensation for this work that went beyond the initial proposal. On a motion made by L. Lebrueux, seconded by M. Shapiro it was approved 4-1 (Quinn — nay) to appropriation the \$2,500. to fund additional schematic drawings.

d. Building Committee recommendation the school for the committee request an RFP to price the Mount Vernon group asset protection plan as an executable project. On a motion made by J. Quinn, seconded by L. Lebrueux it was unanimously voted to table this discussion to the next meeting.

XI. Adjourn: On a motion made by M. Shapiro, seconded by J. Quinn it was unanimously voted to adjourn at 8:55 pm

Respectfully submitted,

Cheryl Sylvia

Secretary to the School Committee