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LAMOINE SCHOOL DEPARTMENT
SCHOOL COMMITTEE MEETING
MONDAY, OCTOBER 2, 2006 AT 5:30 P.M.
LAMOINE CONSOLIDATED SCHOOL

Members Present: Faith Perkins, Chair; Tammy Dickey, Julie Tilden, Robert Pulver
Members Late: None
Members Absent: None
Staff Present: Val Perkins, Principal; Omar P. Norton, Superintendent, Susan Smith, Curriculum Coordinator
Others: Cathi Goebel, Deborah McNeal

1. The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Faith Perkins at 5:30 p.m.

2. CONSIDERATION OF THE MINUTES OF MEETING ON 9/11/06

A motion was made by Bob Pulver, seconded by Julie Tilden, **to accept the Minutes of 9/11/06 as presented.**

Vote: Yes 4 No 0

3. PUBLIC COMMENTS (15 Minutes)

None

4. REVIEW OF AGENDA

No changes

5. COMMUNICATIONS/REPORTS

A. **Chairperson** – Mrs. Perkins noted with sadness the passing of Bill Treadwell, with condolences going to Mrs. Treadwell and her family. Furthermore, the Board agreed, by consensus, to contribute \$100 to the children's education fund. In addition, Chairperson Perkins reported on the following:

1. Distributed copies of the American School magazine, one of which contained an article on public forums;
2. Reported that public regional meetings on TABOR will be held at the Ellsworth High School auditorium on October 12th at 6:30 p.m. and at the Blue Hill Town Hall on October 19th at 7:00 p.m.; and

3. Alerted the Superintendent for the need to begin the budget planning process. Mr. Norton will consult with David Bridgham and get back to the Board in the near future.

B. Administration

1. **Principal's Report** – A copy of Principal Perkins's written report will be made a part of the official minutes.
2. **Superintendent's Report** – A copy of Superintendent Norton's report will be made a part of the official minutes. In addition, Mr. Norton reported on the following:
 - a. Distributed copies of the sample job description for the Superintendent of Schools. The Board was asked to provide feedback at November's meeting; and
 - b. Mentioned TABOR and his intention to write negative articles about it as a former State Legislator. Following a discussion, **a motion was made** by Bob Pulver, seconded by Tammy Dickey, **to support the resolution opposing the Taxpayer's Bill of Rights (TABOR).**

Vote: Yes 4 No 0

C. Standing Committee Reports

1. **Building Committee** - Bob Pulver reported that the Public Forum on the school building project will be held on October 12th at 7:00 p.m. at the Lamoine Consolidated School. Mr. Pulver distributed an article by Stu Marckoon on the project which clearly states the purpose of the forum and offers an excellent overview of the plan. Bob encouraged the Board to seek any and all ways of publicizing this important meeting.
2. **CSD Board Meeting Update** – Tammy Dickey, Union #92/MSAD #26 Joint Board Representative reported that the last meeting of the CSD Board meeting, the Town of Mt. Desert expressed displeasure at the discrepancy which exists in tuition between what tuition students pay and what it costs member towns in the CSD on a per pupil basis.

D. **Warrant Signatures** – Warrant #4 in the amount of \$51,656.74 was signed by the School Committee.

6. **OLD BUSINESS** - None

7. **NEW BUSINESS**

A. Susan Smith, Curriculum Coordinator: NWEA's, Measures of Academic Progress & MEA's

Susan Smith, distributed Lamoine MEA comparisons with state averages and explained a new diagnostic testing system, which establishes each student's instructional level and reports this information quickly back to the school.

B. Discussion Regarding Use of Cable Access

A brief discussion was centered around the subject of cable access and postponed until a later date due to the increase of business generated by the building project and the need to begin the budget process.

C. Review Principal's "Initiatives for the Coming Year"

This item was tabled until the first budget meeting.

D. Appointment of School Committee Member

A motion was made by Tammy Dickey, seconded by Julie Tilden, to appoint CATHI GOEBEL to fill an existing vacancy on the Board until the March town meeting.

Vote: Yes 4 No 0

E. Executive Session to Consider a Parent Request [20 U.S.C. § 1232g 34 C.F.R. Part 99]

A motion was made by Bob Pulver, seconded by Tammy Dickey, to go into Executive Session.

Time In: 6:52 p.m.

Time Out: 7:20 p.m.

Vote: Yes 4 No 0

Following the Executive Session, **a motion was made by Bob Pulver, seconded by Tammy Dickey, to deny the parent's request to pay room and board costs at a secondary school.**

Vote: Yes 4 No 0

8. **OTHER BUSINESS**

A. Requests for Information – None

- B. **Board Comments** – A Board Member voiced concern by a parent that the laptops are used for playing games.
- C. **Future Agenda Items**
- Superintendent Job Description
 - Check with David Bridgham on a schedule for budget preparation
- D. The next regular meeting will be on Monday, November 6, 2006 at 5:30 p.m. at the Lamoine Consolidated School.

9. **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned on a motion by Julie Tilden at 7:42 p.m.

Attest: a true record

Omar P. Norton, Secretary