



**DOVER SCHOOL  
DISTRICT**

## DOVER SCHOOL BOARD – MINUTES

Meeting Type: Regular Meeting #7  
Meeting Location: Media Ctr. (Room 306) McConnell Center  
Meeting Date: **Monday, July 8, 2013**  
Meeting Time: **7:00 pm**

Chairperson Rocky D'Andrea called a meeting of the Dover School Board to order on Monday, July 8, 2013 at 7:05 p.m. in the McConnell Center Media Center.

**A. ROLL CALL:** Present were Rocky D'Andrea, Amanda Russell, Doris Grady, Kathy Baker, Paul Butler, Betsey Andrews Parker and Sarah Greenshields.

Also present were; Superintendent Jean Briggs Badger; Michael Limanni, Woodman Park Principal Patrick Boodey, CTC Director Louise Paradis

**B. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** Paul Butler led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**C. CITIZENS' FORUM:** No one addressed the Board.

### **D. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

1. Special Session #7, June 10, 2013
2. Regular Session #6, June 10, 2013
3. Special Session #8, June 17, 2013
4. Special Session #9, June 18, 2013
5. Public Meeting to Enter Nonpublic Session #13, June 18, 2013
6. Public to Enter Nonpublic Student Discipline #6, June 20, 2013
7. Public Meeting to Enter Nonpublic Session #14, June 24, 2013
8. Special Session #10, June 24, 2013

Amanda Russell moved, Sarah Greenshields seconded approval of the minutes. An oral **VOTE PASSED 7/0.**

### **E. CONSENT AGENDA**

- 1. Correspondence: None**
- 2. Resignations/Retirements:**
  - a. Margaret LaPointe, LNA Teacher
  - b. Libby Simmons, Supervisor of Business Affairs
- 3. Leaves of Absence: NONE**
- 4. Nominations:**

Sheet 1: Nomination and Election of Administrators (Bennett)  
Sheet 2: Nomination and Election of Teachers (Austin-Tenney)  
Sheet 3: Nomination and Election of Summer School Positions (Cote-Seekamp)
- 5. Extended Travel (Student Trips): NONE**



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Amanda Russell moved, Doris Grady seconded amending the nominations to state that David Bennett is replacing Michael Perez as DHS Dean of Students and also moved pulling item 2.a and 2.b. from the consent agenda. An oral **VOTE PASSED 7/0.**

Mrs. Grady made the following statement regarding the resignation of DHS LNA teacher Margaret LaPointe:

She stated that Ms. LaPointe has been professional, high-skilled and knowledgeable in her subject matter. She survived the challenges and had many successes and had many outstanding outcomes with her students. The Board thanks Ms. LaPointe for her service and wishes her well.

Mrs. Grady made the following statement regarding the resignation of Supervisor of Business Affairs Libby Simmons.

“It is with utmost regret that I read of Libby Simmon’s resignation in tonight’s agenda. This Board will be losing one of the most efficient young ladies that has ever been in the employ of the School Department. What a shame to lose someone as competent as Libby has been. There has been no time when a question is asked that there is no answer, that Libby is the one that comes up with results and never incorrect. I understand that she is going to St. Thomas Aquinas and they need to be aware of what a jewel is coming to their department with regrets from the Board.

How consoling it has been over the past 12 years to have someone like Libby there at one’s request. If she needs five minutes to get back to you, she would be back in four. I guess that we would be saying , that if ever anyone out there is looking for the very best of an employee in her field, then quickly get your request in, or someone else will have her.

Libby, you have been a pleasure to work with, and this whole Board wishes you well and the very best. Thanks for giving us 12 years of your life. The whole system has benefitted because of it. Again, thank you for being you.”

Amanda Russell moved, Doris Grady seconded to approve item 2.a. and 2.b. as well as the consent agenda. An oral **VOTE PASSED 7/0.**

**F. SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT:** Superintendent Briggs Badger spoke on the following items:

### **DISTRICT Updates**

The School District offices located at the McConnell Center will be open from 8-4:00 pm Monday through Friday during the summer. School will begin on Wednesday, August 28<sup>th</sup> for students with teachers returning on Monday, August 26<sup>th</sup>. School will only be in session for Wednesday and Thursday that week with Friday and the following Monday off in observance of Labor Day.



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There are two summer programs at WPS that run Monday through Thursday from 8:30-11:30.

The first program is Summer LEAP. There are 4 teachers and 41 students. There will receive intensive reading and writing intervention for students entering grades 1-4 for WPS only. This is because it is funded with a SINI grant.

The second program is a federally funded ESOL program with 2 teachers and 12 students which provides reading, writing, and math for ESOL students in grades 1-3 for WPS and HSS students.

The student services department is providing Extended School Year programming to 83 students this year. Programming started today and is based upon individual student needs as necessary to provide FAPE to students.

### **SCHOOL Updates**

#### **Dover High School**

Summer School credit recovery on the Nova Net program begins today and runs until August 2<sup>nd</sup> from 7:45 to 12:15.

#### **Garrison School**

Summer Backpack reading program is going well. Students can go to Garrison each day to swap summer reading books. Camp Invention will run from July 15-19<sup>th</sup>. Kids will experience hands-on science and engineering and have fun while doing it.

#### **Dover Middle School**

Dover Middle School is hard at work preparing student placement and schedules. Placement letters and school information will be mailed to students in late July or early August. The Brainwave Academy Title I summer program started today and runs for 5 weeks from 8-11. There are 4 teachers and 108 students participating. Focus is on reading, writing and math.

Amanda Russell moved, Doris Grady seconded acceptance of the Superintendent Report. An oral **VOTE PASSED 7/0.**

**G. STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE REPORT:** There was no student representative report.

#### **H. COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

Mrs. Grady gave the following report on Dover Adult Learning Center:

DALC's Adult Basic Education summer session begins July 9 runs for 6 weeks (Tuesdays and Wednesdays). New students will be accepted the first two weeks of class. Childcare is



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available in Dover only. Payment of \$10 for the session must be made in advance. There will be one full GED test offered on August 15 and 16 and all subjects will be available. Counseling services will be available by appointment. The current GED test will expire at the end of this year and anyone who has begun testing will need to finish the GED or start over in 2014 with a new test.

**I. POLICY -- CHANGES – PROPOSALS:** None

**J. POLICY ADOPTION:** None

**K. SUBMISSION AND PAYMENT OF BILLS:** Amanda Russell moved, Doris Grady seconded to direct the payment of the manifest from 6/11/13-6/30/30 for \$2,244,095.51 for FY13 and \$13,259.12 for FY12 and from 7/1/13-7/8/13 for FY14 for \$443,873.65 for a total of \$2,701,493.28. A roll call **VOTE PASSED 7/0.**

**L. RESOLUTIONS:** None

**M. OLD BUSINESS:** None

**N. NEW BUSINESS**

### **1. Emergency Management Performance Grant**

Ms. Briggs Badger presented information on the Emergency Management Performance Grant that she submitted to the State of NH Department of Safety. This grant could be up to \$50,000 per SAU and will be allocated on a first come, first served basis. In order to qualify, there needs to be a school emergency response plan in place that supports implementation of the National Incident Management System (NIMS) and the money would need to be used from June 1, 2013 through September 30, 2014.

Ms. Briggs Badger thanked Paula Glynn for her help with this grant. If money is awarded, it would be used to better communication within the district.

Ms. Russell added that this grant is meeting all of the goals of the security committee and makes sense to apply for this additional money. The projects would need to be funded anyway.

Mrs. Grady asked about a clarification on the grant from page 7. Ms. Briggs Badger responded that there needs to be a soft match in this grant and the district can more than meet this match of \$50,000. Items such as the generator for DMS, panic switched in all buildings, the cost of police department trainings and maintenance of a training plan for all administrators equal more than \$53,000 and would cover the match requested in the grant specifications.

Mrs. Grady asked if these items were the same ones that were previously approved. Ms. Briggs Badger confirmed that they were already discussed and approved. She added that this grant will make communication in the district much stronger.



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Amanda Russell moved, Betsey Andrews Parker seconded moving forward with this grant. A roll call **VOTE PASSED 7/0**.

### **2. Interim Superintendent Search Update**

Mr. D'Andrea provided a summary of the search and stated that the Board agreed to widen the search a bit to try and increase the number of applicants and also decided to possibly investigate some different options presented in a meeting held directly before the regular meeting. The job posting would be added to edjobsnh.com and Schoolspring.com. Since a decision was made to re-post the position until July 22, the workshop scheduled for July 22, has been rescheduled to July 29.

### **O. SCHOOL BOARD MATTERS OF INTEREST:**

Ms. Russell stated that she was asked to speak to a group of boy scouts about the duties of a citizen.

Ms. Briggs Badger recognized and introduced new CTC Director Louise Paradis.

Ms. Andrews Parker stated that Community Action would be offering free breakfast and lunch to children ages 0-18 during the summer. These are for kids who can't afford to eat or have access to food. There are no applications or qualifications to participate in this program.

**P. ADJOURNMENT:** Doris Grady moved, Amanda Russell seconded to adjourn at 7:28 P.M. An oral **VOTE PASSED 7/0**.

Superintendent Briggs Badger and other's handouts have been archived with these Minutes.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Betsey Andrews Parker, Secretary  
BAP/ral