

**GOFFSTOWN SCHOOL DISTRICT
GOFFSTOWN SCHOOL BOARD MEETING
Goffstown High School – Library - 27 Wallace Road, Goffstown, NH 03045
Monday, January 23, 2017 – 7:00PM**

School Board Members: Dian McCarthy, Reta Chaffee, Steven Dutton, Dan Cloutier, Ginny McKinnon, Kristie Curtis, Heather Trzepacz, Lorry Cloutier, Jenelle O'Brien (excused absence)

Administration: Brian Balke, Superintendent, Ray Labore, Business Administrator, MaryClaire Barry, Assistant Superintendent,

Call to Order: Dian McCarthy called the meeting to order at 7:00pm.

Public Comment – None

The Policy Review, Planning and Communications and Curriculum and Education Committees have not met since their last report.

Budget Committee Report: Dian McCarthy Reporting: The January 11th Public Budget Hearing went well. Scott Gross did a great job presenting Article 2 – the Budget Article and Article 4 – the Capital Reserve Fund Article. Dian presented Article 3 – the GESS Collective Bargaining Article. There were no changes made Article 2 – Budget Article (Budget Committee voted 12-0-0 to recommend) and Article 3 – Collective Bargaining Article (Budget Committee voted 12-0-0 to recommend). Article 4 – Capital Reserve Fund Article was not successful. The Budget Committee voted 8-2-0 to not recommend the article. There were diverse reasons why the Budget Committee could not recommend the article. The committee was in support of the effort but felt the article, as written, was too broad of a stroke. Dian recommends not moving this article 4 forward. The Budget Committee will meet after both the school and town deliberative sessions.

A&F Committee Meeting Report – Dan Cloutier Reporting: *Dan Cloutier motioned the approval of the January 23, 2017 manifest for \$1,546,965.00, seconded by Heather Trzepacz. Vote: 8-0-0 – All in Favor – Motion Passed.*

Superintendent Report: US District Court – \$30K Excess Equipment - NHSBA Legislative Update – January 23, 2017 – Important information regarding school funding - DEA 360 – Terry Ollila – Asst. US Atty. Jon DeLuca – Asst. Spec Agent in Charge. Principal Suzanne Pyszka received great news this week. Maple Ave School was notified that they are finalist for the EDies “Excellence in Schools”. GTV is working on producing a video which will highlight Maple’s success.

Modular Space Discussion – Ray Labore Reporting: Administration recommends engaging with Aries Building Systems for the Bartlett 2-classroom unit and quad and the Maple Ave 4-classroom unit at a total cost of \$573K and to engage with First American Education Finance for a total payout of \$627K. First American finance package includes the following: Deposit will equal first month lease cost in advance, .21876 lease rate locked through August 2017 with no fees or interim rent. Ray reviewed the non-recurring charges as follows: A&E studies, site surveys, test borings, construction administration, site work at both schools, Bartlett sprinklered walkway and fit-up, furniture and contingency charges. Ray noted that although there is a shortfall of \$17K when using impact fees exclusively he sees no problem in covering the \$17K. *Dan Cloutier motioned to proceed with the procurement of the 2 modular units one for Maple Ave and one for Bartlett from Aries Building System to be financed through the impact fees that we have and authorization is given to administration to apply for them with the balance financed through First American Education Finance. Seconded by Ginny McKinnon.* Dan Cloutier commented that these units need to be ready by school opening in September. *Vote: 8-0-0 All in Favor – Motion Passed.*

GHS Drainage Discussion – Ray Labore Reporting: The GHS Drainage public bid solicitation was published in the 1/23/17 Union Leader with response due February 17, 2017. The bid was structured to include three different alternatives - a retention pond as previously discussed, a dedicated entrance and exit road in the back of the building and pavement and shoulder for the dedicated exit road. We are hoping for a 50/50 FEMA Grant with an

anticipated project of \$480K for the district. The retention pond cost has increased to \$525K from \$480K due to the discovery of ledge which will need to be removed, driving the project cost up by \$60K. Shopping list will be brought forward for financing. Contacted the DOE 2.5% fund is available for our use. We need to hold a public hearing, what are we doing and why we are using the money as we are going into a deficit spending. We also need to contact the budget committee to secure the funds. Formally write to Commissioner of Education DOE seeking their authorization to go forward. A cost update will be brought back to the Board after February 17th. **Dan Cloutier motioned to have administration approach the Commissioner of Education to explain the emergency of the unanticipated drainage problem at the high school and to seek their approval for use of the Contingency Fund to finance that project, seconded by Steven Dutton. Vote: 8-0-0 – All in Favor – Motion Passed.**

2017 Draft Warrant Articles –

Dan Cloutier motioned to recommend Article 2 – Budget Article, seconded by Steven Dutton. Vote: 8-0-0 – All in Favor – Motion Passed.

Dan Cloutier motioned to move Article 2 – Budget Article to Deliberative Session, seconded by Ginny McKinnon. Vote: 8-0-0 – All in Favor – Motion Passed.

Dan Cloutier motioned to recommend Article 3 – GESS Collective Bargaining Article, seconded by Steven Dutton. Vote: 8-0-0 – All in Favor – Motion Passed.

Dan Cloutier motioned to move Article 3- GESS Collective Bargaining Article to Deliberative Session, seconded by Steven Dutton. Vote: 8-0-0 – All in Favor – Motion Passed.

The Board discussed the removal of Article 4 – Capital Reserve Article. **Dan Cloutier motioned to not move Article 4 to the warrant, seconded by Steven Dutton. Vote: 8-0-0 – All in Favor – Motion Passed.**

Dan Cloutier inquired if the default budget would be voted on. Ray Labore stated that the default budget is included in Article 2 – the Budget Article and has been voted on 8-0-0. Dan noted that the Board use to vote separately on the default budget which gave him the opportunity to vote no only because for years Dan and Ray have not agreed on the methodology.

Field Trip Request – 5th Grade Museum of Science 2-7 and 2-8. Ginny McKinnon motioned to allow the MVMS 5th grade to the Boston Museum of Science field trip on February 7th and 8th, seconded by Heather Trzepacz. Vote: 8-0-0 – All in Favor – Motion Passed.

SCHOOL STAFFING

Notifications:

Track Changes (Effective February 2017)

Maureen Brown	GHS	B to B+15
Sarah Fleck	GHS	B to B+15
Jessica Fournier	Bartlett/GHS	B to B+15
Lyle Hamel	GHS	B+15 to B+30
Justin Hufft	GHS	B to B+15

Approvals:

Co-Curricular Sports:

Kyle Daly..... GHS Volunteer Ice Hockey – Varsity
Ginny McKinnon motioned to accept the co-curricular sports Volunteer Ice Hockey recommendation, seconded by Steven Dutton. Vote: 8-0-0 – All in Favor – Motion Passed

Teacher Resignation:

Samantha Tatu GHS Biology Teacher

Ginny McKinnon motioned to accept the teacher resignation as presented, seconded by Heather Trzepacz. Vote: 8-0-0 – All in Favor – Motion Passed

Teacher Nomination (remainder of the 2016-2017 school year):

Joshua Devriendt GHS Biology Teacher

Ginny McKinnon motioned to accept the teacher nomination as presented, seconded by Heather Trzepacz. Vote: 8-0-0 – All in Favor – Motion Passed

Other: none

Glen Lake Pre-school Tuition Proposal: Classes for 3 and 4 year olds – Students with special needs learn alongside their typically developing peers and typically developing peers act as role models. At least half of our students in each class must be typically developing in order for the classroom to qualify as a regular education setting. Tuition paying “role models” students help us provide the appropriate setting for our students with special needs, while they get the benefit of a high-quality, developmentally appropriate preschool program that leads into our kindergarten curriculum. Typically developing peers pay tuition to attend Glen Lake Pre-school. Tuition has not increased in the last 10 years. Current tuition is \$90/month/3 days/week and \$120/month/4 days/week. Principal Stoye and Special Ed Director, Salina Millora recommended the following: Proposed tuition for 2017-2018 is \$120/month/3days/week and \$160/month/4 days/week and the proposed tuition for 2018-2019 is \$150/month/3 days/week and \$200/month/4 days/week. Various school district pre-school tuition data was reviewed. That data indicated that Glen Lake charges are below the going rate. Glen Lake is prepared to send letters to parents next week informing them of the increase if the Board approves the proposed tuition rates as presented. ***Dan Cloutier motioned to accept the recommendation to increase the tuition rates for 2017-2018 and 2018-2019 as presented, seconded by Steven Dutton. Vote: 8-0-0 – All in Favor – Motion Passed.***

OTHER BUSINESS THAT MAY LEGALLY COME BEFORE THE MEETING: none

NON-PUBLIC SESSION RSA 91-A:3II None

Lorry Cloutier motioned to adjourn at 7:51pm seconded by Heather Trzepacz. Vote: 8-0-0 – All in Favor – Motion Passed.

Respectfully submitted by:

Denise F. Morin
Recording Secretary