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LITCHFIELD SCHOOL BOARD - SCHOOL ADMINISTRATIVE UNIT NO. 27

Litchfield, New Hampshire 03052

APPROVED MINUTES

April 2, 2008

(approved as written 4-9-08)

Present:

Mr. Dennis Miller, Chair
Mrs. Cindy Couture, Vice Chair
Mr. Ralph Boehm, Board Member
Mrs. Pat Jewett, Board Member
Mrs. Dot Beauregard, Board Member
Dr. Elaine Cutler, Superintendent
Mrs. Michele E. Flynn, Secretary

1) Public Session – Call to Order - Pledge of Allegiance (*Immediately follows hearing*)

Mr. Miller called the meeting to order at 8:58 p.m.

2) Review & Revision of Agenda

3) School Board Members' Comments

a) Date for School Board Retreat

Dr. Cutler discussed tentative plans for School Board orientation with Board members. She suggested a meeting with the District's legal counsel relative to the Right-to-Know law. She also discussed that the orientation/retreat might be a good time to review and discuss preparations for District goals.

Mrs. Couture suggested considering workshops about community engagement or scheduling a presenter to work with the Board on school board/community relationship.

Dr. Cutler recommended the orientation be scheduled for the first meeting in June and can begin with a one hour meeting with legal counsel in non-public session.

Mrs. Beauregard suggested that the Board consider using the NEASC recommendations for goals as the Board may have to set different priorities.

Mrs. Couture reported that Shawn Flynn was listed in the newspaper as the Girls Basketball Coach of the Year.

Mrs. Jewett noticed in the news that girls from the CHS basketball team made First Team.

Michael Clark reported that boys on the CHS swimming team made First Team.

Mr. Boehm reported that students participated in the All State Music festival in Concord.

Mr. Miller announced that this evening CHS hosted an "All A's Awards" night and he congratulated all the students who received this honor. He also reported that Dr. Cutler testified yesterday to Education Funding in Concord, and she was joined by Mr. Boehm today to testify to Kindergarten funding.

Dr. Cutler announced a meeting tomorrow evening with Litchfield's State Representatives and Senator DeVries at CHS at 7:00 p.m. in the auditorium and invited the public to attend.

Michael Clark reported that the Student Council held Oscar Night at CHS with a turnout of 180 people and raised over \$1000. The Council is planning a Springfest in three weeks, which will consist of a pep rally, BBQ and a hypnotist. The FBLA conference is tomorrow and Friday; and the Youth in Government will be at the State House.

4) Community Input

Mr. Frank Byron, newly elected Selectman Chair indicated that there was a discrepancy in the amount of money due the District from the Town. Dr. Cutler offered to have the Finance Office prepare an analysis of the monthly and quarterly reimbursements for the Selectmen. Mr. Byron indicated that he directed Mr. Dilworth, the Selectmen's Assistant to resolve the issue with Mr. Martin.

Mr. Byron also reported that he asked the Fire Chief along with the Police Chief to hold meetings for emergency preparedness for town, indicating that once the town's plans are revised assistance will be needed from the school district. Dr. Cutler informed Mr. Byron that she has been working with administrators to review and revise the District's plans for consistency and would be happy to assist with the preparations for the town

5) Policy Work Session:

SECTION I: INSTRUCTION

a) Extended Learning Opportunities (IHBH)

The Board reviewed the policy, making minor revisions. The policy will go to a 1st Reading.

b) Summer Activities (IHCA)

The Board reviewed the policy, making no revisions. The policy will go to a 1st Reading.

c) Alternative Credit Options (IMBC)

The Board reviewed the policy, making no revisions. The policy will go to a 1st Reading.

6) Adjourn

Mrs. Jewett made a motion to adjourn at 9:57 p.m. Mrs. Couture seconded. The motion carried 5-0-0.

**7) Upcoming Meetings - Litchfield School Board: April 9, 23, 2008 – CHS Media Room - 6:30 PM
April 3, 2008 – Legislative Meeting – 7:00 PM**

Respectfully submitted,

Michele E. Flynn
School Board Secretary