

**Moultonborough School District
Monthly School Board Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, September 9, 2008
Town Hall Meeting Room**

Present: Bill Blackadar, Mark Borrin, Kathy Garry, Laurie Whitley, Michael Lancor, Kay Peranelli, Andrew Coppinger, Scott Laliberte, Lou Goscinski, Laurie Caldwell

Chairman Blackadar called the meeting to order at 7:13 p.m. and led attendees in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Public Agenda:

1. Personnel Announcements: None.

Public Input: None.

Approval of Minutes:

- A. Laurie Whitley moved, and Mark Borrin seconded a motion, to approve the minutes from the August 12, 2008 School Board meeting. All voted in favor.

General Items:

- A. France Trip*: Mrs. Gallo White discussed with the Board a proposed 9-day trip to France for the end of March/beginning of April, 2009. She will be meeting with parents this week, at which time she should get a participation list. Fundraising will not offset the price by a lot. They are looking at approximately \$2,400-\$2,800 as the cost of the trip per student. Chaperones will also have to pay that amount. Mark Borrin moved, and Laurie Whitley seconded a motion, to approve the trip to France as presented. All voted in favor.
- B. MA Outing Club Trip*: The Board received information for a proposed MA Outing Club overnight trip to Carter Notch Hut. Carolyn Nelson and Karin Conn presented the proposal to the Board. The plan would be to join up with the Inter-Lakes Outing Club. The cost will be approximately \$50 per student. Students will do the majority of the planning. The Board discussed with Mrs. Nelson and Mrs. Conn food, clothing and route. Both have taken the solo wilderness course. Kathy Garry moved, and Mark Borrin seconded a motion, to approve the MA Outing Club trip to Carter Notch Hut. All voted in favor.
- C. Advisory Budget Committee Update: Members of the ABC held their organizational meeting on Thursday, September 4 at 4:00 p.m. In addition to the five ABC members, Mr. Lancor and Ms. Peranelli attended the meeting. Mr. Lancor introduced Jean Beadle, Gary Haracz and Ed Marudzinski to the Board and Administrators. Kathy Garry is the Board representative on the Advisory Budget Committee. There was discussion on where the Committee is in the process. They will be taking a tour of the schools to see them in operation.

Chairperson's Report:

- A. Calendar: The Chairperson announced the following important calendar date:
Tuesday, October 14, 2008: Monthly School Board Meeting, 7:00 p.m. - Town Hall

Pupil Personnel Services Director's Report:

- A. Regional Workshop at MA: Mr. Goscinski updated the Board on a regional workshop he is organizing to be held in the auditorium from 3:30 - 5:30 p.m. on October 16, 2008. The workshop is on the N.H. SPED Rules.

Central School Administrative Report:

- A. Calendar: Principal Laliberte reviewed calendar dates for the months of September and October.
- B. Opening Enrollment/News: Listed below are enrollment figures for the first day of school. Mr. Laliberte provided an update on back to school news.

	<u>Actual 10/1/07</u>	<u>Projected 10/1/08</u>	<u>Actual 9/2/08</u>
Preschool	13	13	15
Kindergarten	45	29	29
Readiness	10	12	6
Grade 1	39	48	49
Grade 2	44	39	35
Grade 3	44	43	48
Grade 4	39	48	47
Grade 5	50	43	42
Grade 6	50	53	48
Total	334	328	319 (-15)

The Board discussed the fluctuation of numbers over the summer and how Kindergarten numbers affected that. Mr. Lancor and Mrs. Peranelli discussed how the census numbers are determined.

- C. Grades 5 & 6 Report Cards*: Mr. Laliberte presented to the Board copies of a new report card for grades 5 and 6 for their review. MCS is now fully implemented in PowerSchool and will use PowerSchool for report cards. Mark Borrin moved, and Laurie Whitley seconded a motion, to allow Principal Laliberte to move forward with the new report cards as presented. All voted in favor.

Academy Administrative Report:

- A. Calendar: Principal Coppinger reviewed calendar dates for the months of September and October.
- B. Opening Enrollment/News: Listed below are enrollment figures for the first day of school. Mr. Coppinger provided an update on back to school news.

	<u>Actual 10/1/07</u>	<u>Projected 10/1/08</u>	<u>Actual 9/2/08</u>
Grade 7	58	51	55
Grade 8	58	63	62
Grade 9	66	59	61
Grade 10	65	65	65
Grade 11	53	61	66 (includes 2 for. exchg. studs.)
Grade 12	49	49	53
Total	348	348	362 (+14)

This is the first time there have been four classes with more than 60 students since he has been here. This year there are exchange students from Brazil and the Netherlands.

- C. Ice Hockey Reapplication*: Every two years the cooperative ice hockey team consisting of players from Moultonborough Academy and Inter-Lakes High School needs to reapply with NHIAA. This item was discussed by the Athletics Committee during their meeting on Thursday, September 4. Mr. Blood presented to the Board a proposal seeking permission to reapply with NHIAA. He highlighted how it worked out this past year with Inter-Lakes, the ice facility and the support of the booster club. Students provide their own equipment. The Athletic Committee supports the program. Mark Borrin moved, and Kathy Garry seconded a motion, to approve the reapplication to NHIAA. All voted in favor.

- D. Golf Team Fundraiser*: This item was discussed by the Athletics Committee during their meeting on Thursday, September 4 with a recommendation to the entire School Board coming forth from the committee. In summary, the fundraiser is called "Beat the Pro" and would solicit entry fees from golfers with the winners playing a round of golf with the pro. Mr. Borrin expressed concerns about this solicitation. There was discussion on why our students would be involved and how it may impact community awareness of our golf team. Kathy Garry reported that the Athletic Committee supported this and saw it as a way to peak interest in the Golf Team which is off to an incredible start. Laurie Whitley moved, and Kathy Garry seconded a motion, to approve the proposed fundraiser for one time only to see how it goes before future commitments are made. Two voted in favor, one against.
- E. NEASC Letter: The Board received a copy of a letter from NEASC accepting the Five-Year Progress Report submitted by Mr. Coppinger and continuing MA's accreditation.
- F. Other Matters/Coaches: Laurie Whitley moved, and Mark Borrin seconded a motion, to approve Angela Kneeland and Laurie Cotter as volunteer assistant coaches for the girls soccer teams. All voted in favor.

School Business Administrative Report:

- A. 2008-2009 Budget Expenditure Update: The Board received the end-of-August 2008 Budget Report.
- B. Audit Report*: The Board received the complete audit report for the 2007-2008 fiscal year. Mrs. Peranelli reviewed the following pages of the report: 2, 6, 8, 10, 34, 36. The Board also received the accompanying Management Letter to be signed by the School Board Chairperson, Superintendent of Schools, Treasurer and School Business Administrator. The final item the Board received is the June 30, 2008 end-of-year fund balance summary. Laurie Whitley moved, and Kathy Garry seconded a motion, to accept the Auditor's Report as presented. All voted in favor. Chairman Blackadar signed a letter indicating everything is as it appears in the audit.
- C. MS-24 and MS-25 Reports*: The Board received copies of the MS-24 (Revised Estimate Revenues for 2008-2009). On Monday, September 8, Mrs. Peranelli e-mailed all Board members a copy of the MS-25 Report (Expenditures for 2007-2008). The Board signed these documents.
- D. Buildings & Grounds Projects Update*: Mrs. Peranelli and Mr. Lancor updated the Board on 2008-2009 projects scheduled to be completed this past summer or during the upcoming school year. A document indicating the status of all projects was distributed.
- E. Other Matters: Mr. Lancor informed the Board of the notebook being put together for members of the Budget Advisory Committee.

Superintendent's Report:

Old Business:

- A. Strategic Planning Process: Mr. Lancor presented to the Board a proposed strategic planning process to be implemented in 2008-2009. This process would lead to a new multi-year Educational Master Plan beginning with the 2009-2010 school year. Mark Borrin moved, and Kathy Garry seconded a motion, to approve this line of planning process. All voted in favor. Laurie Whitley volunteered to participate on this team.
- B. Proposed Gov. Wentworth Calendar Changes: Mr. Lancor distributed a revised proposed calendar from the Governor Wentworth School District and the current Moultonborough School District respectively. The changes being proposed for Governor Wentworth should have minimal impact on MA.

New Business:

- A. Proposed 2009-2010 Budget TimeLine*: Mr. Lancor discussed with the Board the proposed time line for development of the 2009-2010 budget to be reviewed by the

Board. Dates need to be determined for multiple committee meetings to be held during the month of October. Mr. Lancor will e-mail proposed dates to Board members for committee meetings in October and will post them. The Advisory Budget Committee will receive a copy.

- B. Town Policy On PEG Channel Access*: The Board received a draft copy of the Town's policy statement regarding Access to Public, Education & Government. Mr. Lancor updated the Board on the impact of this policy on the SAU. Carter Terenzini has requested feedback by September 11.
- C. Other Matters: Mr. Lancor informed the Board that the Professional Development Plan requires the School Board annually appoint members on the Professional Development Committee. Mr. Lancor recommended appointment of the following individuals: Lynda Boyd, Sharon Groleau, Shawn Haskins, Kathleen D'Haene, Andy Coppinger, Cheri Cahoon, Cindy Tolman, Michael Lancor and Judy Perry. Mark Borrin moved, and Kathy Garry seconded a motion, to approve members of the Professional Development Committee as stated above. All voted in favor.

Mr. Lancor discussed with the Board that the first NECAP science test was administered last spring and results are due out next week. Grades 6 and 10 were tested and rumor has it results show only about 25 percent of students as being proficient in the State.

School Board Committee Reports:

- A. Buildings and Grounds: The Board received minutes of the committee meeting held on Friday, September 5. Chairman Blackadar reviewed the minutes with the Board. There was discussion of potential design for parking areas in an attempt to get parking off Blake Road to address safety issues.
- B. Personnel and Negotiations: No Report.
- C. Policies: No Report.
- D. Transportation and Insurance: No Report.
- E. Athletic Committee: A meeting was held on Friday, September 5th. An update was given earlier in this meeting.
- F. Technology Planning Committee: No Report.

Administration/Community Committee Reports:

- A. Moultonborough Taking Action (MTA): Mr. Lancor updated the Board on MTA funding and future events. Mr. Lancor will apply again this year for funding. He is reluctant to employ another MTA Coordinator without additional funding.
- B. Wellness Advisory Committee: No Report.

Public Input: Laurie Whitley discussed the need to have good quality film made of public meetings that are aired on the public access cable station. She suggested this may be a good project for students if our cable company is willing to donate the necessary equipment. Mr. Lancor will approach Carter Terenzini with the idea.

At 9:10 p.m. Mark Borrin moved, and Laurie Whitley seconded a motion, to adjourn under RSA 91-A:3, Paragraph 11(a), (b), (c). A roll call vote was taken with all members answering in the affirmative.