MADISON SCHOOL DISTRICT

SCHOOL BOARD MEETING

MONDAY, JULY 7, 2014 – 5:00 PM

MADISON ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

RUTH V. CHICK MEMORIAL LIBRARY

DRAFT MINUTES

Board members attending: Jim Curran, Wendy Grzesik, Sloane Jarell, Ray O’Brien

Others attending: Superintendent Lou Goscinski, Student Services Director Raina Shearer Chick, Finance Manager Michael O’Neill

CALL TO ORDER: Board Chair Jim Curran called the meeting to order at 5:03 PM with 3 board members present. All present pledged allegiance to the flag.

NON-PUBLIC SESSION: Motion by Wendy Grzesik to enter non-public session pursuant to RSA 91-A:3, II (a), (b), (c), & (e) & RSA 91-A: 2 (c). Seconded by Ray O’Brien. On a roll call vote the board entered non-public session at 5:04 PM:

Jim Curran – Aye

Wendy Grzesik – Aye

Ray O’Brien – Aye

The Ayes have it.

1. Personnel Matters: Personnel matters were discussed.

* Motion by Ray O’Brien not to compensate Principal Brian Ernest for unused sick days, seconded by Wendy Grzesik. The motion passed 3-0. As stated previously, in order to avoid the possibility of a tie vote Board Chair Jim Curran said he would abstain from voting for the time being; however with only 3 board members present his vote was required.
* Motion by Ray O’Brien to accept with regret the resignation of Katie Nelson, seconded by Wendy Grzesik. The motion passed 3-0.
* Motion by Wendy Grzesik to approve the summer employment of Cody Sullivan, seconded by Ray O’Brien. The motion passed 3-0.
* Motion by Wendy Grzesik to approve the employment of William Chick, III as summer custodian, seconded by Ray O’Brien. The motion passed 3-0.

Board member Sloane Jarell arrived at the meeting at 5:10 PM.

* Motion by Wendy Grzesik to accept an evaluation by Dr. Kabibi dated 5-9-14, seconded by Sloane Jarell. The motion passed 3-0.
* Motion by Sloane Jarell to approve a parental request for bus transfer of a student, seconded by Wendy Grzesik. The motion passed 3-0.

Motion by Wendy Grzesik to come out of non-public session, seconded by Sloane Jarell. The motion passed 3-0 and the board came out of non-public session at 5:38 PM.

PUBLIC SESSION CONVENES: Chair Jim Curran called the public session to order at 5:38 PM and called for a moment of silence in remembrance of Bruce Brooks.

ACTION AS A RESULT OF NON-PUBLIC SESSION

1. Announcements: Superintendent Lou Goscinski announced that the board approved the summer employment of Cody Sullivan and William Chick, III. The board also accepted with regret the resignation of Katie Nelson; accepted an evaluation by Dr. Kabibi; and approved a parental request for bus transfer of a student.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: Motion to approve the agenda by Wendy Grzesik, seconded by Ray O’Brien. There was one addition to the agenda under School Board Business, New Business: Grant from Amerigas. With this change the amended agenda was approved 3-0.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. Minutes of Regular Board Meeting: 6-2-14 & Special Board Meeting: 6-10-14: Motion by Wendy Grzesik to approve the minutes of 6-2 and 6-10, seconded by Sloane Jarell. The motion passed 3-0.

ACCEPTANCE OF CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS: Motion by Sloane Jarell to approve the Consent Agenda Items, seconded by Wendy Grzesik. The motion passed 3-0.

1. Principal’s General School Information Letter
2. Finance Manager’s Expense Report
3. Second Reading/Adoption of Policies with Changes Recommended by NHSBA & Madison Policy Committee: BBAA, BHC, EB/JLI, ECAF, GBCD, GBCD-R, FJAB, JICDD, JICI, JICK, JJA, KCD, & KFA
4. Second Reading/Re-Adoption of Policies with no Changes:
5. Policy Book Section A: AA, ABA, AC, ACD, ACE, AD, ADB, ADC, ADD, & AE
6. Policy Book Section A Appendix: ACR
7. Policy Book Section B: BA, BAAA, BB, BBA, BBB, BBBA, BBBC, BBBD, BBBE, BBBH, BCA, BCB, BDA, BDB, BDD, BDE, BDF, BDG, BEA, BEB, BEC, BGB, BGC, BGD, BGE, BGF, BIA, BIB, BIBA, BID, BIE, BJ, BK, & BKA
8. Policy Book Section B Appendix: BA-R, BBA-R, BBB-R, BBBH-R, BCA-R, BDD-R, & BEDG-R
9. Policy Book Section C: CA, CB,CBB, CBG, CCB, CFA, CFB, CGC, CH, CHA, CHB, CHCA, CHD, & CM
10. Policy Book Section C Appendix: CB-R, CBI-R, & CFA-R
11. Policy Book Section D: DA, DB, DBC, DBI, DBJ, DC, DD, DEA, DFA, DG, DGA, DH, DI, DIA, DID, DIE, DIH, DJ, DJC, DJD, DJE, DJF, DJG, DK, DKA, DKC, DM, DN, DO, & DP
12. Policy Book Section D Appendix: DFA-R, DI-R, & DJC-R
13. First Reading of Policies to be Readopted with no Changes as Recommended by the Madison Policy Committee: Sections E, F, G, & H and Appendices
14. First Reading of Policy KE as Recommended by the Madison Policy Committee: Minor Revision
15. First Reading of Policy JHB as Recommended by the Madison Policy Committee: New Policy
16. Summer Recreation Position
17. Mustang Academy Director’s Report

CHAIRPERSON’S REPORT

1. Calendar:
2. Next School Board Meeting 8-4-14 @ 5:00 PM – Madison Elementary School

PUBLIC INPUT: None

BUILDING PROJECTS/TRANSPORTATION – Ken Eckhardt

1. Flooring Work Schedule: Ken Eckhardt said the third grade rooms upstairs have been completed, cleaned and waxed and ready for new furniture; work has begun on the old wing hallway and classrooms and they are moving right along and anticipate to be done by the end of next week.
2. Siding & Wall Painting Schedules: Work on the siding is still scheduled to begin on the 14th and painting will begin this week or next week.
3. Maintenance of Buses: No. 2 bus is back fully inspected and has a sticker for the coming school year. No. 1 bus is being inspected and worked on. No. 3 and 5 buses are yet to be inspected.
4. Security Upgrades: Mike O’Neill said we are researching the compatibility of adding different components to the system.
5. Overhead Projectors: To be completed in August.

SPECIAL EDUCATION ADMINISTRATOR’S REPORT: No report.

FINANCE MANAGER’S REPORT

1. Fund Balance Projection: In the board packet. Mike O’Neill said there were only a couple of changes from the last version. He said we won’t know how much health insurance savings have increased until after the last payroll and we have not yet received the fuel bill for June. He said we now have a projected fund balance of $61,484 but we will have solid numbers in August. Possible fuel savings for town employees was discussed and this will go on a future agenda.
2. FY 13 Audit: Mike O’Neill said getting the final information out to the auditors has been slowed due to year-end projects. He added that we are having difficulty with some of the beginning balance information, some of which goes back a couple of years, but we anticipate that this will be done by the end of this week.

SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT:

1. Principal Search Update: Superintendent Lou Goscinski said the search committee met last Wednesday; we had 9 applicants and narrowed it down to 3 coming for interviews. He said we hope to have something to bring forward to the board and we may have to ask the board for a special meeting in July.
2. New Hires – Update: Lou said Raina Chick is leading the search for the 5th grade teaching position. Raina said the search committee includes Deb Parsons, Jamie Buck, Nancy Spaulding, and Louisa Bryant. She said there were 16 applicants and we will meet next week to discuss how the interviewing will be organized and then schedule the interviews for the week after. Lou said that Christine Zimmer and Raina had recommended not filling the RTI at 100% but rather 75% and they are looking at altering the para position. Lou said he needed to contact the union about the 75%. The board approved posting the position at 75%.

SCHOOL BOARD BUSINESS:

*Old Business*

1. Thrift Store Approval: Jim Curran recommended moving forward. Motion by Sloane Jarell to approve Mike Lane moving forward with the thrift store project, seconded by Wendy Grzesik. The motion passed 3-0.
2. Substitute Coordinator: Discussed at a previous meeting. Motion by Wendy Grzesik to approve creating a stipend position at $1,000, seconded by Ray O’Brien. It was noted that if no one is found for this position we will keep things the way they are currently. The motion passed 3-0.

*New Business*

1. Process for Appointing School Board Members: Jim Curran noted that there was no one else on the ballot this year. He recommended putting the word out and entertaining anyone who is interested at the next board meeting. It was agreed that this position will be advertised in the paper and on the school website. Jim Curran requested anyone who is interested to get in touch with him.
2. Capital Improvement Plan (CIP): Contributions to the Building Trust Fund and the Bus Capital Reserve Fund were discussed.
3. Grant from Amerigas: Motion by Wendy Grzesik to accept the grant from Amerigas for $1,024.38, seconded by Sloane Jarell. The motion passed 3-0.

PUBLIC INPUT None

BOARD COMMENTS: Board members expressed appreciation for all the help that was received in regard to the ceremony for Bruce Brooks, with a special “thank you” to Bearcamp Gardens for delivering the trees and shrubs. It was noted that many people pitched in to help.

NON-PUBLIC SESSION: Motion by Ray O’Brien to move into non-public session pursuant to RSA 91-A:3, II (a), (b), (c), & (e) & RSA 91-A: 2 (c). Seconded by Sloane Jarell. The motion passed 3-0 and the board moved into non-public session at 6:27 PM.

1. Parental Request: Discussed. Board member Wendy Grzesik recused herself from the meeting. The board agreed to have Superintendent Lou Goscinski look into the matter and bring a recommendation to the August meeting; this will be put on the agenda for the August meeting.

ADJOURNMENT: Motion by Ray O’Brien to adjourn, seconded by Sloane Jarell. The motion passed 3-0 and the meeting adjourned at 6:55 PM.

TREE PLANTING IN HONOR OF BRUCE BROOKS

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Draft Minutes

Respectfully submitted,

Patricia Ambrose

Recording Secretary