

MINUTES
BREWER SCHOOL COMMITTEE
REGULAR MEETING

February 5, 2007
High School Student Services

Committee members present: Amanda Bost, Mark Chambers, Calvin Bubar, Mark Farley and Jeff Taylor.

Liaison present: Pat Sirois, MSAD #63

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Farley at 7:00 PM. The Pledge of Allegiance followed.

Mr. Fred Ravan, high school Spanish teacher, introduced Ms. Lilana Coppetti a teacher from Rafaela, Argentina who is escorting eight exchange students who are visiting Brewer High School.

Chairperson Mark Farley added an executive session to the end of the agenda with no objections.

A. Minutes

Mr. Farley moved to approve the minutes of the January 8, 2007 regular meeting; Mr. Chambers seconded – VOTED: 5 in favor, 0 opposed, and 0 abstained..

B. Correspondence

Dr. Lee reported on several correspondence items since the last meeting.

C. Personnel

Dr. Lee reported the nomination of Mr. Dana Corey as High School Assistant Baseball Coach for the 2007 season. Mr. Chambers moved to approve the nomination; Mr. Bubar seconded – VOTED: 5 in favor, 0 opposed, and 0 abstained.

D. Reports

1. Dr. Julie Hackett introduced Capri and State Street Principal Joan Staffiere, Washington Street Principal, Janet McIntosh and Brewer School Department Literacy Specialist, Paula Moore who delivered a report on improved literacy performance throughout the elementary schools. Mr. Taylor moved to receive the report; Ms. Bost seconded – VOTED: 5 in favor, 0 opposed, and 0 abstained.
2. Mr. Young reported on the mid year budget status. At, present revenues and expenditures are on target. Mr. Bubar moved to receive the report; Mr. Chambers seconded –VOTED: 5 in favor, 0 opposed, and 0 abstained.
3. Dr. Lee presented a new system for evaluating professional staff. Mr. Taylor moved to receive the report; Mr. Bubar seconded - VOTED: 5 in favor, 0 opposed, and 0 abstained.

E. Old Business

There was no old business.

F. New Business

1. Mr. Bubar moved to approve the revision of Policy JICIA *Weapons, Violence and School Safety*; Ms. Bost seconded – VOTED: 5 in favor, 0 opposed, and 0 abstained.
2. Mr. Chambers moved to receive the first reading of Policy ICA *2007-08 School Calendar*; Mr. Taylor seconded – VOTED: 5 in favor, 0 opposed, and 0 abstained.
3. Mr. Bubar moved to receive the first reading of Policy CHCA *Student Handbooks*; Mr. Taylor seconded – VOTED: 5 in favor, 0 opposed, and 0 abstained.
4. Mr. Bubar moved to receive the first reading of Policy JK *Student Discipline*; Ms. Bost seconded – VOTED: 5 in favor, 0 opposed, and 0 abstained.
5. Mr. Bubar moved to receive the first reading of Policy IGBAC *Referral/Pre-Referral*; Mr. Taylor seconded – VOTED: 5 in favor, 0 opposed, and 0 abstained.
6. Mr. Bubar moved to receive the first reading of Policy JKF *Disciplinary Removal of Students with Disabilities*; Ms..Bost seconded – VOTED: 5 in favor, 0 opposed, and 0 abstained.
7. Dr. Julie Hackett introduced Fred Ravan, High School Spanish teacher and Glendon Rand, High School Science teacher who summarized the Honors Diploma Elective Course selection. Mr. Bubar moved to approve the High School Elective Course: a) Honors Senior Seminar and b) Honors Senior Project; Mr. Chambers seconded - VOTED: 5 in favor, 0 opposed, and 0 abstained.
8. Mr. Chambers moved to approve the 2007-08 High School Course of Studies; Mr. Taylor seconded - VOTED: 5 in favor, 0 opposed, and 0 abstained.
9. Mr. Chambers moved that under and pursuant to the provisions of Title 20-A M.R.S.A. Sections 1001 and 1055, the Superintendent of Schools be and hereby is authorized to execute and deliver a tax-exempt lease purchase agreement with Gorham Savings Leasing Group, LLC, or its nominee, in the name and on behalf of the City of Brewer, a municipal school unit, acting by and through its School Committee (the "Issuer") for the purpose of refunding and refinancing existing lease purchases of photocopier equipment and lease purchasing additional new photocopier equipment, with an aggregate purchase price not to exceed One Hundred Forty Five Thousand Five Hundred Ninety Dollars and Three Cents (\$145,590.03), in such form as the Superintendent may approve; and that the appropriate officials of the Issuer be and hereby are authorized to execute and deliver on behalf of the Issuer such other documents and certificates as may be required in connection with such tax-exempt lease purchase agreement; and that no part of the proceeds of said tax-exempt lease purchase agreement shall be used, directly or

indirectly, to acquire any securities and obligations, the acquisition of which would cause the tax-exempt lease purchase agreement to be a "private activity bond" or an "arbitrage bond" within the meaning of Sections 141 and 148, respectively, of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "Code"); and that the tax-exempt lease purchase agreement issued pursuant hereto be designated as a qualified tax-exempt obligation within the meaning of Section 265(b)(3) of said Code; and that the Superintendent be and hereby is authorized to covenant on behalf of the Issuer to file any information report and pay any rebate due to the United States in connection with the issuance of said tax-exempt lease purchase agreement, and to take all other lawful actions necessary to insure the interest portion of the rental payments under and pursuant to the tax-exempt lease purchase agreement will be excluded from the gross income of the owners thereof for purposes of federal income taxation and to refrain from taking any action which would cause such interest portion of the rental payments to become includable in the gross income of the owners thereof.

- G. Chairperson Farley noted the next regular meeting of the Brewer School Committee is slated for March 5, 2007.
- H. Mr. Bubar moved to enter into executive session to discuss a legal matter in accordance with 1 M.R.S.A. § 405(6)(A); Mr. Taylor seconded. A roll call voted followed: Ms. Bost (Y), Mr. Bubar (Y), Mr. Chambers (Y), and Mr. Farley (Y).

Entered into executive session at 8:50 PM P.M.

Returned to regular session at 9:23 P.M.

Mr. Bubar moved to adjourn; Mr. Taylor seconded – VOTED: 5 in favor, 0 opposed, and 0 abstained.

Meeting Adjourned at 9:25 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Daniel M. Lee, Ed.D.
Secretary