

Oyster River Cooperative School Board

Regular Meeting

May 7, 2014

6:30 p.m.

SCHOOL BOARD: Chair Tom Newkirk, Al Howland, Kenny Rotner, Sarah Farwell, Denise Day, Maria Barth, Ed Charle and Student Representative M. Doody

ADMINISTRATORS: Superintendent Jim Morse, Sue Caswell, Todd Allen, Jay Richard, Jim Rozcki, Doris Demers, Carolyn Eastman, Carrie Vaich, and Dennis Harrington

There were seven members of the public present.

CALL TO ORDER: 6:30-7:00 p.m. Manifest Review

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Tom Newkirk would like to add in reviewing the track bids in tonight's meeting.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: Members of The Cast of Oliver came and announced that they will be presenting on May 22, 23, and 24th at the high school.

APPROVAL OF April 16th Minutes: Kenny Rotner moved to approve the April 16th minutes, 2nd by Al Howland. Motion approved 7-0 Revision on April 2nd minutes: please note when the meeting came out of nonpublic session.

Approval of Manifests: VM 23: \$679,219.41 and PM 24: \$1,110,143.66

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND COMMENDATIONS:

District: Todd Allen reported that the High School PTO will be meeting on May 12 and soon to be graduates will talk about their future and what has and hasn't work for them.

Todd Allen noted that Friday July 13th is graduation rain or shine.

Carolyn Eastman spoke for Jay Richard that on May 16th at Bedrock Gardens in Lee there will be an Art Exhibit of MS participants sculptures made out of recycled materials.

Carrie Vaich of Mast Way commented last Friday was the annual Mayfair and it went very well. On Monday night was a combined Kindergarten Moharimet and Mast Way Concert Today was a visit with incoming Kindergarteners who got a tour of the building.

Board: Al Howland stated that last night was the French and Spanish Honor Society. It was a great group of kids.

Kenny Rotner noted that Bill Duncan will be at St. Anselems on May 15th for an educational forum. It will be an educational and informative night on Common Core.

DISTRICT REPORTS

Asst. Superintendent/Curriculum and Instruction Report:

Superintendent's Report: Enrollment Update: Superintendent Morse updated the Board on the projected fall enrollment numbers at Moharimet and Mast Way.

Track and Artificial Turf Project Bid:

Sue Caswell detailed that the request for proposals was issued on April 17th, posted on our website and advertised in the local paper. We received three bids:

Civil and Environmental Consultants, Inc.	\$62,500
Tighe and Bond	\$40,000
SMRT	\$38,900

After meeting with Todd Allen and Corey Parker and reviewing these proposals, they recommended that Tighe and Bond be retained to carry out the High School Track and Artificial Turf Project design work.

Kenny Rotner Moved to award the bid to Tighe and Bond for \$40,000, 2nd by Denise Day. Motion approved 7-0 with the Student Representative voting in the affirmative.

Budget Update: Priority Spending List:

Funding for an additional 10 feet to expansion project	Moharimet	\$64,000
Rubberized floor for Expansion project	Moharimet	\$35,000
DDC Controls to classrooms	Moharimet	\$60,600
Two new boilers	Middle School	\$120,000

Driveway expansion and Resurfacing	SAU	\$35,000
Upgrade all security card Readers and software/ Hardware	District Wide	\$47,000
Grounds tractor replacement	Service Blding	\$67,000
Live broadcasting capabilities For Auditorium and Gym	High School	\$56,000
SAU Roof Replacement	SAU	\$10,000

Please note the rubberized flooring will be added to the budget at Mast Way for next year.

Al Howland moved to approve funding for an additional ten feet to cafeteria gymnasium expansion project, DDC controls to classrooms, install two boilers, upgrade all security card readers, grounds tractor replacement, live broadcasting capabilities for Auditorium and Gym and SAU Roof Replacement 2nd by Kenny Rotner.

Maria Barth moved to amend the motion and take \$100K and offer two sabbaticals on the best ways to teach Math, 2nd by Kenny Rotner. Motion on the amendment failed 1-6 with Maria Barth and the Student Representative voting in favor of the motion.

Sarah Farwell moved to amend the motion to separate out the ten feet to cafeteria gymnasium expansion project, 2nd by Denise Day. Motion on the amendment failed 3-4 with Sarah Farwell, Maria Barth, Denise Day and the Student Representative voting in the affirmative.

The original motion as amended passed 6-1 with Sarah Farwell opposing. The student representative also voted in favor of the motion.

The Board will discuss the rubberized flooring and the potential resurfacing project at the next meeting.

Student Senate Report: The sophomore class will be having a fundraiser at Froyo World.

Sustainability Report: The members of the Sustainability Committee gave the Board the 2013-2014 Report. They detailed the curriculum in each school.

Collaboration is Key: Building relations in the schools, District and communities
Power Down
Professional development.

The Board thanked the Sustainability Committee for all their efforts and work this year.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

Board Goals for 2014-15 A discussion with ORCSD Leadership Team:

Goal I - Complete the Strategic Plan

Goal II - Develop a multi-year plan for implementation of full day kindergarten

Goal III- Begin multi-year discussion related to long term viability of Oyster River Middle School

Goal IV - Create a multi-year capital improvement plan

Goal V- Proposal for ORHS Fields Update

Goal VI - Math curriculum Review

Board Policy: Intent and Process: The Board discussed the intent and process of the Board Policy.

ACTIONS:

Motion to approve the purchase of three additional school buses according to the required bid. Al Howland moved to approve the purchase of the three school buses, 2nd by Maria Barth. Motion approved 7-0 with the Student Representative voting in the affirmative.

Motion to approve ORMS Jazz Band Overnight Field Trip 5/9/14-5/11/14 to Burlington, VT: Kenny Rotner moved to approve the ORMS Jazz Band overnight field trip, 2nd by Denise Day. Motion approved 7-0 with the Student Representative voting in the affirmative.

Motion to approve ORMS Maternity Leave of Absence BOY to November 14, 2014. Kenny Rotner moved to approve the ORMS Maternity LOA BOY to November 14, 2014, 2nd by Al Howland. Motion approved 7-0 with the Student Representative voting in the affirmative.

ORHS Volunteer coach and club stipend: Motion to approve Volunteer Coach at ORHS Boys Lacrosse Coach and Chris Hall MS Outing Club Coach for a stipend of \$576. Kenny Rotner moved to approve Volunteer Coach at ORHS Boys Lacrosse Coach and Chris Hall MS Outing Club Coach for a stipend of \$576, 2nd by Al Howland. Motion approved 7-0 with the Student Representative voting in the affirmative.

On May 14, there will be a community dinner turkey dinner

PUBLIC COMMENTS: Dean Rubine thinks that the Class Size Policy is vague.

CLOSING ACTIONS: Future Meeting Dates: May 21st and June 4th Regular meetings.

Al Howland moved to adjourn the meeting at 9:40 p.m., 2nd by Kenny Rotner. Motion approved 7-0 with the Student Representative voting in the affirmative.

Respectfully yours,

Laura Grasso Dobson
Recording Secretary