

## Dover-Sherborn Regional School Committee

Meeting of May 1, 2012

Members Present: Clare Graham, Chair  
Ellen Williamson  
Richard Robinson  
Robyn Hunter  
Lauren Balk

Also Present: Valerie Spriggs Superintendent  
Steven Bliss, Assistant Superintendent  
Christine Tague, Business Manager  
Amelia Fattore, Student Council Representative

### 1) Call to Order

Ms. Graham called the meeting to order at 7:06 pm in the Middle School Library. Ms. Graham welcomed the Chinese Delegation. Ms. Poulsen presented Ms. Graham and Ms. Hunter with flowers in appreciation of their service on the school committee.

### 2) Community Comments – None

### 3) Reports

- a) Student Council Report – Ms. Fattore reviewed recent and upcoming events for the High School Student Council.
- b) Chinese Delegation – The delegation from China was introduced. Mr. Catalano, the teacher chaperone for this year's DS students that went to China, spoke of the trip and answered questions from the Committee.

### 4) Goal 1 – Academic Excellence

- a) High School Report – Ms. Lonergan reviewed recent and upcoming events at the High School.
- b) Foreign Language Program – Ms. Lannon presented an overview of the current foreign language program. There was discussion about the elementary language program and the K-12 integration that will be part of the roll-out.
- c) Middle School Report – Mr. Randall reviewed recent and upcoming events at the Middle School.

### 5) Goal 3 – K-12 Effective and Efficient Districts

- a. Finance – Ms. Tague provided the monthly report.
- b. FY13 Budget – The proposed state budget reimbursement numbers were provided.
- c. WWTF Update – Testing will continue but recent tests have met the permit requirements.
- d. DS Regional Schools' Fields – The agreement has been signed by the School Committee and the Boosters. The Boosters are currently fund raising. If the funds have not been raised by the end of May the project will be delayed to 2013.
- e. Wellness Policy – MASC will provide a boilerplate wellness policy in the next few weeks and it will be brought forward next month.

### 6) Special Items and New Business

- a) Sherborn Town Meeting Update – The Regional budget and the warrant article passed.
- b) Special Education Director's Search – Ms. Spriggs provided a timeline for the search process.
- c) Special Education Director's Salary – The position is being advertised at the \$100,000-107,000 range and was included in the approved FY13 budget.
- d) Middle School Cooling Project – A timeline for the project has been established. The goal is to have a project to present to the School Committee in September 2012.

### 7) Approval of Minutes

- a) February 7, and April 3, 2012

Mr. Robinson made a motion to approve the minutes of February 7, 2012. Ms. Poulsen seconded.

12-29 VOTE (as amended): 0 -6

Ms. Poulsen made a motion to approve the minutes of April 3, 2012. Ms. Williamson seconded.

12-30 VOTE: 6 - 0

- b) The Sherborn School Committee minutes of March 13, 2012 and the Dover School Committee minutes of March 20, 2012 were noted.

**8) Routine Business**

- a) June Agenda Items – Reorganization, Wellness Policy, February 7<sup>th</sup> minutes, Cooling Project update, WiFi at the high school update, Capital Plan update, FY12 closing items, WWTF update, Student Handbook, Athletic Handbook

**9) Adjournment**

There was a motion to adjourn at 9:20 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Amy Davis