Lisbon Board Of Education                                                                             October 11, 2017

Lisbon Regional School                                                                                   6:00 PM

Lisbon, New Hampshire

MINUTES

PRESENT: Principal Jackie Daniels, Chairman Bob Adams, Dean of Students Paula Frank, Superintendent Pierre Couture, Business Administrator Tina Peabody, Board Members Arthur Boutin, Mike King, Rochelle Cacio, Owen Clark, Nina Brown, Steve Sherry, Robert Bruce, and Lisbon Regional School student Tyler Brown.

Chairman Adams called the meeting to order at 6:02 pm.

Public Input:

Tyler Brown spoke to the board on behalf of the Lisbon Regional High School Anatomy Class. He told us that three juniors and one senior would like permission to go on an out of state field trip to Philadelphia, PA., November 9-12th. Chaperones will be Ms. Pallozzi and Mrs. Corzilius. They will be going to the Anatomical Museum and The Franklin Institute. Tyler asked the board for permission to miss school on the 9th and to leave the state of NH. The ED Foundation is covering the cost. It will be $80 per person. The chaperones and students will drive private cars to White River Jct., VT and then take the Amtrak to Pennsylvania.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES- There is an amendment to the September 2017 minutes. Professional staff negotiations- Not more than 4 board members are allowed to attend the negotiations.

MOTION BY OWEN CLARK, SECONDED BY ROCHELLE CACIO TO ACCEPT THE AMENDED CHANGES TO THE SEPTEMBER BOARD MEETING MINUTES.

FINANCIAL:

Unencumbered balances are as follows- $428,904 balance. Regular programs 231,355, student activities 96,475, Info. Systems 40,706.

Manifests were passed around and signed.

BUILDING AND GROUNDS:

The elevator was serviced- it cost $800 including inspection.

Royal electric came in and replaced three smoke detectors and bases in the elevator. The cost was $1,100.

Boiler cleanings were done on 10/6/17.

Jeff Tirey came to look at the roof on 10/5/17.

There has been some talk on the condition of the skylights and whether to keep them or not.

Waiting on parts to come in to complete the playground.

The maintenance truck service is complete- 2 tires, brakes, rotors, calipers, steering arm, oil change and an inspection. This should help the truck make it through this winter.

There was discussion about possibly putting a new three quarter ton maintenance truck into the budget for next year.

The propane boilers have had some trouble- code “flue damper”.

$15,000 for contract on preventive maintenance from ENE for boiler maintenance.  This price is for two different contracted services. One is the preventive maintenance- cleanings, belts, air filters, etc. One is to check the controls and temperature sensors.

BUDGET: The budget meeting will be held in the 1st week of November.

POLICY HANDBOOK:

No report

EXECUTIVE BOARD:

SAU 35 is ahead on budget development this year. The SAU budget may be down a little. Lisbon’s share of budget will be down $12,000 next year.

The staff insurance rates will be under a 3% increase, we are waiting to hear back from Health Trust to find out what the exact number will be. Health Trust’s Board Approval Meeting will be on the 17th.

NEGOTIATIONS (PROFESSIONAL STAFF):

No Report

NEGOTIATIONS (SUPPORT STAFF):

A preliminary meeting was held on support staff negotiations. Another meeting will be held as soon as we hear back from the insurance company letting us know what the increase in insurance will be next year.

STEERING COMMITTEE:

No report

TRANSPORTATION:

WW Berry Bus Co. will work on a new rate. We will discuss the bus company contract after we get the numbers back.

TECHNOLOGY:

No report

BROWN FUND:

No report

LISBON EDUCATION FOUNDATION:

Nov. 1st will be the next Ed foundation meeting. Everyone is invited to help with folding papers for the mailing. The folding will begin after 3:30 and continue until finished. This is going to be held in room 221 - the Family and Consumer Science classroom.

PRINCIPAL’S REPORT:

Open House was well attended.  The elementary had a good percentage of their students and parents who came to visit.  Fewer middle and high school parents stopped in.  PALS (Partners Assisting Lisbon School) had a table set up and shared information about the group.

Marjorie Schoonmaker from the Department of Education inspected the high school part of the building on October 3rd and did not find any major infractions.  The program evaluation will be taking place at a later time. Chris Hodge, health inspector for the town of Lisbon, did a walk through on September 28th and made a few minor recommendations.

The staff will be participating in various staff development activities on October 6th.  The main focus of the work will be to work on performance task development and understanding the PACE project requirements and dates for the year.

Five teachers from SAU #58 (Groveton, Stark, Stratford) will be visiting our staff on October 5th to learn about our process with competency development, the change in grading, and using performance assessments.

We have gained 6 new elementary students this week!

UPCOMING EVENTS:

October 12 – 10:30 – Class meetings

October 13 – 11:30 – MS Paws-itive Reward trip - hiking

October 16 – Vision Screening

October 17 – 6:30 – PALS meeting

October 19 – 12:00 – Early release, CPR/First Aid classes for staff 12:30-2:30 and 2:30-4:30

October 26 – 7:30 to 3:30 – 7th grade Siskin Center

October 27 – Picture retakes

November 3 – First quarter ends, Puppets in Education (K-6 presentation)

November 5 to November 7 – CHAT club field trip to Mystic Aquarium

November 6 – 10:50-11:10 – High school advisory meeting

November 8 – 6:00 – School Board meeting

November 13 – 7:30 – College Application Day

November 15 – 7:45 – ASVABs

MOTION TO ACCEPT THE BASKETBALL COACH POSITIONS, Nikki Woods- varsity Girls, Sam Natti- Varsity Boys, Pat Riggie- Middle School Boys, Kyle Fifield- Middle School Girls. ALL IN FAVOR. ACCEPTED.  MOTION CARRIED.

SUPERINTENDENT:

Pierre asked the board for approval on accepting the staff resignation of Para educator Sarah Pepper. Sarah is moving on to a position at Grafton County Corrections. This is in the field of which Sarah studied in college. This Friday is going to be her last day at Lisbon Regional.

MOTION MADE BY STEVE SHERRY TO ACCEPT SARAH PEPPER'S STAFF RESIGNATION, SECONDED BY OWEN CLARK. ALL IN FAVOR. MOTION CARRIED.

Kasey Grisham started this school year as a Para educator. Jackie Daniels would like to move Kasey into a one on one teaching position for a student that was in an out of district school program. That program was not working out, so he’s back in our school. We won’t have to pay for tuition now, which is saving our school money even though we are paying Kasey more as a teacher than we were as a Para.

MOTION MADE BY OWEN CLARK TO ACCEPT KASEY GRISHAM’S POSITION CHANGE FROM PARAEDUCATOR TO ONE ON ONE TEACHER, SECONDED BY ROCHELLE CACIO. ALL IN FAVOR. MOTION CARRIED.

There has been a change in the national background check system through the New Hampshire Dept. of Safety when hiring new staff. There was a new bill passed that supports this new background check system. The background check paperwork can only be seen by the superintendent, it will specify whether or not the new hire has anything qualifying on their record- any misdemeanors, felonies, etc.

Contracted Services employees (food service workers, bus drivers) have to do the same new hire background checks through the sau now, before they only went through their contracted company. All new hire background checks go through our sau 35 office. Pierre will check paperwork, give Gabby a Yes or No on their qualifying paperwork and then shred the papers.

New hires pay for their background checks- not the sau or school.

SAU will be working on new board policy background checks.

Second reading on special ed. Coordinator and special education teacher contracts.

MOTION MADE BY OWEN CLARK TO ACCEPT THE CONTRACTS, SECONDED BY ROB BRUCE. ALL IN FAVOR, MOTION CARRIED.

Robert cook is the town moderator- he will be asked to moderate the town meeting. Pierre will check to see if he can do both the school meeting and town meeting. Nina Brown said she thought he couldn’t moderate for both. Pierre will check on it.

The NHSAA (New Hampshire School Administrators Association) North Country Group has scheduled a meeting with their senators and representatives for November 9th to discuss how the cut in the Stabilization Grant portion of Adequacy Aid will affect their districts. This is being cut at a rate of 4% per year for twenty years and is causing significant financial hardship for our district.

$1,100.00 for every kindergarten student for this school year will be paid in the next fiscal year. The price could go up to $1,700 per student. ​This is a reimbursement for Full day Kindergarten and will be for all Kindergarten students. It will be based on this year’s enrollment.

Sau budget hearing will be held November 7th – the budget is level.

Pierre meets with principals from every school in sau 35 three times a year. September to look at goals, February to look at progress, then a summative meeting in May.

Quote for engineering the new roof was high, we are still looking for new quotes. Jeff Tirey was the architect when 1993 building was built. He gave us the 1st quote.

BLESSING TO ALLOW STUDENTS TO MISS SCHOOL ON NOVEMBER 9TH AND ATTEND THE FIELD TRIP TO PENNSYLVANIA- ALL BOARD MEMBERS GAVE THEIR BLESSINGS. ALL IN FAVOR.

There being no additional business to come before the Board, MOTION MADE BY BOB ADAMS, SECONDED BY STEVE SHERRY TO ADJOURN THE MEETING AT 6:48 PM.

ALL IN FAVOR, MOTION CARRIED.

Respectfully submitted,

Amanda Bailey

Clerk