

Woodbury School board Minutes, November 3rd, 2009, 6p.m.

Board Members Present; Dana Maxfield, Monty Shatney, Lindsay Whalen, Chris Casey, Dan Brush.

Administration Present; Mark Andrews, Sharon Fortune.

Community Members Present; Kim Silk, Vail Leach, With Retta Dunlap arriving around 7.

Chris opened the meeting by asking if there were any amendments to the consent agenda, as there were none, Monty made a motion to accept with Chris seconding.

Mark updated us on the electrical project at the school, with Dan asking some questions regarding the contract between the School and the Contractor which was on file at the Town Clerks office. Dan noted that it had not been signed by any of the parties involved and that it had no deadline for the work which was performed to be done and that there was no cost of the project mentioned either. Mark said that this must not be the right document and that he would bring the correct one to the next meeting. The Board then reviewed the minutes from when the decision was made, fall of 2008 and it appears from the minutes that the job had a budget of \$11,000.00 and that it had now exceeded \$16,000.00. Mark stated that with our savings this year we could look forwards to replenishing the account. The work had been scheduled to be finished by April 1 of this year and is still getting wrapped up with a few odds and ends to finish it. The spreadsheet which Mark provided the board with indicated that the budget was for \$15,000 which board members who were present for the original vote seemed to recollect as being correct.

We all discussed the need for more transparency, and updates on issues like this that come up so we can be more proactive than was the case in this situation, agreeing that it would be so going forwards.

Mark will bring the proposed budget to the next meeting

We then decided to have Mark ask Laura Soreas (sp?) To facilitate a discussion on policy governance in Dec. at an extra meeting.

Mark reported that the budget is running according to plan and he will continue to give us quarterly updates and advise us immediately if there are any downward trends or unanticipated costs.

Mark and Sharon both then reported on the Principals job, giving us a status report on;

- 1, the management of the program and building operations
- 2, Parent Community engagement
- 3, Staff supervision/ evaluations
- 4, Building on OSSU initiatives

Sharon also discussed problems and positive events at the school, and expressed concern of a lack of a “bench” to draw from and that a .6 principal leaves gaps in the supervision model.

We then moved into the public comment portion of our meeting.

Retta Dunlap provided us with some documentation from when she had served on the board which indicated that the electrical project's original bid came in at \$11,000.00, and pointed out that the amount agreed with the original minutes.

Vail stated that we need contracts for work to be done on the building just as we do teachers contracts so the superintendant will have something to go by to administer a project.

Vail also commented that we should have a price for the policy governance training before we have it.

Vail also suggested that we consider longer days/ school year to help create a better “bench” at the school.

Kim asked us to speak louder as he has hearing problems.

8:10 Monty Moved to go into ex session to discuss personnel issues, Lindsay 2nd.

Exit Ex session at 8:40

Debrief of the meeting & Chris discussed the next meetings agenda.