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## **Barnet School Board Meeting Minutes**

**Monday, August 8, 2016**

**Barnet School**

**Members in Attendance:** Louis Bushey, Jim Schenck, Sue Roberts, David Warden, Superintendent Mathew Forest, Principal Shawn Gonyaw

Members of the public present

**7:05 pm** The meeting was called to order by Chair Louis Bushey. A motion was made by Sue Roberts and seconded by Jim Schenck to immediately enter into Executive Session to discuss a Parent request.

**7:32 pm** The board came out of Executive Session. A motion was made by Jim Schenck and seconded by Sue Roberts to accept the Parents request. The motion passed unanimously.

### **Approval of Minutes**

**July 14, 2016** A motion was made by Sue Roberts and seconded by Jim Schenck to approve the minutes as written. The motion passed unanimously with no discussion.

### **Public Input**

No public input

### **Administrative Reports**

- **Superintendent Report** - SU Retreat is being re-scheduled to sometime in September. Vanessa Koch is working on organizing and finding a date. The board Discussed Reciprocity Agreement. With this agreement each district will have the option to accept up to 5 students from each of the schools in our district. No tuition will change hands. There was light discussion on what other boards felt about the agreement. The agreement will be discussed further at the retreat.
- **Principal Report** - Shawn just briefly went over his report. There were no questions regarding it.
- **IT Report** - The board reviewed the report provided and discussed what they would possibly like to see on the IT Report in the future. The board is not sure that a monthly IT Report is needed. It was discussed that information that they might like to see is the number of help tickets by Barnet School and how long it

takes to have the issues resolved. There was discussion on how the new IT Dept structure saves Barnet money vs. when we outsourced our IT to Wildbranch.

- **Business Manager Report** - While reviewing the report there was discussion regarding the fact that the Support Staff does not have an agreement yet for FY16/17. The agreement that was reached in May was actually for FY15/16 and was for only one year. There was discussion on the length of last year's support staff negotiations and how the SU would like to put a plan in place to avoid a lengthy negotiation in the future. The SU would like to have an Attorney involved from the beginning with the structure of 4 scheduled meetings and if needed it would then move to mediation and if still needed arbitration. The board also discussed the fact that this year's negotiations for all staff will include the new VEHI Health Plan structure.

### New Business

- **CCSU Retreat** - This is in the process of being rescheduled. Vanessa Koch is currently working on coordinating a date that works for the parties involved.

### Old Business

- **Act 46** - No discussion
- **Roof Update** - Things are still progressing along. There was discussion that at the start of the project it was a little slow with too few men on the job. Bill Graves recommended that the school put insulation in the valleys of the roof to help prevent any possibilities of future leaks.
- **Discuss 706 Committee** - The board discussed their continued efforts to find a couple of community members to serve on this committee. They have a few good leads. It was decided that Sue, Robert and David would serve on the committee as board members. It is recommended that they should avoid using alternates if possible.
- **SU Goals** - No discussion. It was discussed at length last board meeting.
- **Year End Report** - No new discussion

- **Student Handbook** – Shawn addressed the handbook that will be distributed to each family/student. This year the handbook will be required student reading during the first weeks of school and it will also be signed by the family and student acknowledging that they have read and understand the handbook.

**Other Business** – It was discussed that Annette Burrington has resigned from her position at the school. A motion was made by Jim Schenck and seconded by Sue Roberts to do something to show Annette their appreciation for all her years of service. It was also discussed that the board would like to do something for Sue Persson at a later date to acknowledge her loss and show their condolences.

#### **Future Agenda items**

- **706 Committee Discussions and updates**
- **Contract Negotiations**

**8:14 pm** - Motion was made by Jim Schenck and seconded by Sue Roberts to enter back into Executive Session to discuss Superintendent Evaluation and an FMLA request

#### **Adjournment** –

**9:00 pm** – The board came out of Executive Session and a motion was made by Jim Schenck to adjourn the meeting. The motion passed unanimously

Respectfully Submitted,

Nichole Cloutier, Meeting Recorder