

**FREMONT SCHOOL DISTRICT
School Board Meeting
April 22, 2008
6:30 P.M.**

**School Administrative Unit #83
Blackrocks Village
5 Hall Road, Unit 1
Fremont, NH 03044**

I. CALL TO ORDER

School Board Chair Jeffrey Rowell called the April 22, 2008 meeting of the Fremont School Board to order at 6:30 pm at the School Administrative Unit #83, Blackrocks Village, 5 Hall Road, Unit 1, Fremont, NH 03044.

II. ROLL CALL

Present were Jeff Rowell, Peg Pinkham, Marian Guidoboni, Deb Genthner, Christine Kenneway, Superintendent Normand Tanguay, Financial Administrator Annmarie Scribner, Middle School Principal Kelli Killen, and Elementary School Principal Dawn Lewis.

Members of the public included Kathleen Bailey, Cathy Toomey, Jennifer Ouellet, Lisa Marggraf, Mary Hale and Sherri Ficker.

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Christine Kenneway motioned to approve the public minutes of April 8, 2008, as amended. Peg Pinkham seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously; 5-0.

IV. ACTION ITEMS

A. RATIFICATION OF POLL TO SEAL NON-PUBLIC MINUTES: HANDOUT

Christine Kenneway motioned to ratify the poll to seal the non-public Minutes of April 8, 2008. Deb Genthner seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously; 5-0.

B. SCHOOL BOARD POLICIES

Christine Kenneway motioned to approve the adoption of Section D: Fiscal Management. Deb Genthner seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously; 5-0.

Christine Kenneway motioned to approve the first reading of Section B, C, H and I, with the exception of IJOC: Volunteers. Peg Pinkham seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously; 5-0.

There was a review of IJOC: Volunteers policy and it was decided to table it until the May 13, 2008 School Board meeting. Ms. Guidoboni asked about the District Volunteer Coordinator position. Ms. Killen said that administration makes the volunteer handbooks but that the PTA puts together the volunteer lists, etc. The School Board felt that there should be guidelines for volunteers. Mr. Tanguay said that he would work on more description of this policy.

V. NON-PUBLIC SESSION

Peg Pinkham made a motion to enter non-public session to act upon a matter or matters referenced in RSA 91 – A: 3 II (a), (b) and (c) and 91 – A: 2 I (b) at 7:05 pm. Deb Genthner seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously; 5-0. Roll call was taken.

VI. RETURN TO GENERAL SESSION

Jeff Rowell made a motion to return to general session at 10:10 pm. Peg Pinkham seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously; 5-0. Roll call was taken.

Christine Kenneway motioned to accept new hire Amy Mace as Speech Pathologist, effective May 17, 2008. Peg Pinkham seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously; 5-0.

Christine Kenneway motioned to accept with regret the resignations of Middle School Principal Kelli Killen (effective June 30, 2008) and Para Educator Sara Dolan (effective April 25, 2008.) Deb Genthner seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously; 5-0.

Deb Genthner motioned to amend the 2008-09 Ellis School Calendar to reflect the start time of 7:50 am for grades 5-8. Peg Pinkham seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously; 5-0.

Christine Kenneway motioned to allow a \$800 stipend for Kool Krew, not establishing precedent. Peg Pinkham seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously; 5-0.

Peg Pinkham motioned, for the 2008-09 school year, to move forth with an interim principal and give the School Board time to find a suitable candidate for a K-8 principal position. Motion passed unanimously; 5-0.

Christine Kenneway motioned to seal the non-public minutes of April 22, 2008. Peg Pinkham seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously; 5-0.

Ms. Pinkham mentioned that there were changes voted upon in the No Child Left Behind Law regarding qualifications and guidelines (what constitutes high school graduation approval.) Mr. Tanguay said that he was updating requirements now and would bring them to the School Board soon.

Ms. Kenneway noted that there was new legislation about getting high school credits in different ways and that there could be a future change in requirements such as what would constitute a passing grade (70% vs. 65%).

Mr. Rowell asked about new legislation regarding assessment at the high school level. Ms. Killen replied that by the end of September 2008, a list of competencies would be required for each course. Ms. Guidoboni reported that she had been to an SST presentation where portfolios of children were discussed. She said it was interesting and that she learned a lot.

VII. NEXT MEETING: MAY 13, 2008 at 6:30 PM

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

At 10:34 pm, Deborah Genthner motioned to adjourn. Christine Kenneway seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously; 5-0.

Respectfully submitted,
Susan Perry
School Board Secretary