

ORLEANS SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Regular Meeting, December 20, 2010

Chair Mary Lyttle called the meeting to order at 3:40 p.m.

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I. L CALL

For the Committee: Mary Lyttle, Gwynne Guzzeau, Fred Walters, Josh Stewart
For the Administration: Dr. Richard Hoffmann, Diane Carreiro, Hans Baumhauer
Others in Attendance: Parents, staff and interested citizens

I. Call to Order/Agenda Changes: None

II. Citizens Speak: None

III. Recognition: Principal Carreiro recognized the members of the Orleans Historical Society for their continued support of joint academic programming on local history for students in Grades 4 & 5.

IV. Priority Business:

A. Administrators' Reports:

Principal Carreiro reviewed her handout report; with updates on a collaborative project with Snow Library entitled "One Book. One School, One Local Library", Health & Wellness, OES financial status including now needing two more long term substitutes; OES Envisioning Event and a Playground Update. Superintendent Hoffmann briefly went over FY11 Budget and Negotiations; a meeting held at the Central Administration Office that included all Town Administrators, members of each town FinCom and school administrative personnel; and various concerts and programs being held at schools in the Nauset District.

B. FY11 Budget Update:

Hans Baumhauer, Business Manager reviewed the most recent monthly expense report; budget transfers that were made and others that will be made in March.

Dr. Hoffmann discussed the deficit in Food Services line. Food Services are not breaking even. Considerations/discussion will take place at a future meeting. There is a significant deficit in the FY11 budget due to long term substitutes and an out of district placement. Discussion was held on when to bring this issue to FinCom.

C. FY12 Budget Update:

Dr. Hoffmann distributed the FY12 Budget Books to the Committee. Dr. Hoffmann went through the budget book page by page with brief explanations on each item. Discussion was held on the portions of the budget that were funded by the Jobs Bill and ARRA funding this year. The FY12 Budget will be looked at in detail at the next meeting, after the Committee has had time to review all materials.

D. Capital Plan:

The plans have been submitted to the Town of Orleans. A televised presentation of each plan will be held at a meeting in January. The Committee felt it was important to be there as well as at the next Selectmen's meeting and FINCOM meeting. Principal Carreiro will get the exact dates and email them to Dr. Hoffmann's office.

E. Two Tier Bus Transportation System:

Dr. Hoffmann reported that the online survey had been launched and had 98 responses in one day. Dion Duggan of the Transportation Sub Committee did commit some funds to consultant Jim Flahive at the Cape Cod Collaborative to study the anticipated benefits of the two tier system.

V. Reports and Information:

Cape Cod Collaborative - Fred Walters reported on recent activities at the Cape Cod Collaborative including: assisting in appointing a new Superintendent at Barnstable Public Schools; CCC Strategic Planning; Hiring/Firings; Spring Programs.

Long Range Planning - Gwynne Guzzeau reported on Envision OES including writing a letter to the editor at the Cape Codder; and other ways of getting the word out on the event. Ideas include doing an email blast to all parents; phone calls to parents; contacting alumnae of OES and online advertising such as a Facebook page. The evening of the event will include a "Kids Night Out" which will be held in the gym allowing parents to drop their children off and attend the event.

Dr. Hoffmann reported that he had secured funding for one half of the consultant's fee for the event.

Playground Committee - Josh Stewart reported on the first meeting of the Playground Committee. He commented on the amount of positive energy all members brought to the table, and gave an overview on some the Committee's concerns and plans for moving forward.

Transportation - See Item E.

VI. Approval of Minutes: It was moved by Gwynne Guzzeau , seconded by Fred Walters and voted unanimously to approve the minutes of November 15, 2010 as written.

VII. Executive Session - None

VIII. Payment of Bills

VIII. Adjournment: It was moved by Mary Lyttle, seconded by Gwynne Guzzeau and voted unanimously to adjourn at 4:50 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Arlynn Consiglio-Noks
Recording Secretary