

Calais School Committee
Tuesday, April 1, 2014
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The Calais School Committee held the regular meeting of the month on Tuesday, April 1, 2014 at the Calais Middle/High School. In attendance were: Chairman John Hill, Vice Chairman Robert Greenlaw, James Macdonald, Marcia Hayward, Dale Earle and Superintendent of Schools Keith Laser, Ed.D.

I. Call to Order

Chairman John Hill called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. and led the board in the Pledge of Allegiance and a Moment of Silence.

II. Consent Agenda

A. Motion by James Macdonald, second by Marcia Hayward, unanimous vote to approve the agenda for the meeting.

B. Motion by Bob Greenlaw, seconded by James Macdonald, unanimous vote to approve the Minutes of March 18, 2014 with the changes in action as a result of Executive Session.

Motion by Robert Greenlaw, seconded by Dale Earle, to offer Matthew Clark, an employment contract for the 2014-2015 school year for the salary of \$79,000, 1.5% yearly pay increases for next two school years, and that the district will pay 85% of his family health benefits for the 2014-2017 school years and that Matthew Clark will continue to serve as the principal of the Calais Middle/High School through June 2017. Vote 4-1 to accept these conditions.

III. Present communications to the School Committee received from the community

None noted.

IV. Public Participation

None noted.

V. Superintendent's Update

A. Superintendent Laser will speak with Dick Stevens to find out what the discipline procedures are for students on buses. First Student needs to work with the principals and superintendent to ensure repeat offenders are disciplined.

VI. Administrative Reports

No additional comments.

VII. New Business

- A. Motion by Bob Greenlaw, second by Dale Earle, unanimous vote to approve the Middle School Student Council request to hold an event to include an overnight.
- B. Motion by Dale Earle, seconded by Bob Greenlaw, unanimous vote to approve an overnight request from J.M.G. to attend the annual Career Development Conference in Augusta April 29th and April 30th.
- C. Motion by Dale Earle, seconded by Bob Greenlaw, unanimous vote to add a Fire Science Program at the St. Croix Regional Technical Center.
- D. Motion by Marcia Hayward, seconded by Dale Earle, unanimous vote to remove the Calais Day Treatment Program from the general fund budget and place it in a stand alone account.
- E. Motion by Dale Earle, seconded by Bob Greenlaw, unanimous vote to approve the Job Descriptions of the Central Office/Special Education Staff.

VIII. Old Business

- A. Principal Matt Clark asked to have David Townsend be appointed as a volunteer coach for high school track. Motion by James Macdonald, second by Dale Earle, unanimous vote.

IX. Sub-Committee Reports

- Finance – Marcia Hayward – Nothing to Report
- Policy – Marcia Hayward – All discussions have been via email
- Audit – James Macdonald – Nothing to Report
- Curriculum – Dale Earle – Meeting scheduled for 4/2/14
- Negotiations – Bob Greenlaw – John Hill and Arnold Clark need to setup a date.
- Building – Dale Earle – Have not met.
- City Liaison – James Macdonald – Meeting held tonight.

Meeting notices are to be sent to same as Minutes and Agendas.

X. Upcoming Meetings

- April 15, 2014
- May 5, 2014

XI. Future Agenda Items

None noted.

XII. Executive Session

- A. Motion by Dale Earle, seconded by Bob Greenlaw, unanimous vote to enter Executive Session at 6:44 p.m. pursuant to Statutory Citation [Title I, MRSA § 405 6 (D)].

Out of executive session at 6:49 p.m.

Action as a result of Executive Session: Motion by Dale Earle, second by Bob Greenlaw, unanimous vote to employ Barry Raymond for the 2014-2015 school year at the same salary as 2013-2014 \$75,872.23.

XIII. Adjournment

Motion by James Macdonald, seconded by Dale Earle, unanimous vote to adjourn at 6:50 p.m.

Keith S. Laser, Ed.D. Superintendent of Schools