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Southampton School Committee  
Minutes of Special Meeting  
Library-William E. Norris School  
September 18, 2007  
4:30 p.m.

Present: Angela Valinski, John Cowley, Kimberly Schott, Dave Giles, Don Abel, Bill Collins, Barbara Ripa, Cindy Landers

Visitors: Sue Medeiros, Mikki Carmichael, Sunday Burke, Cheryl Salomao, Jean Kuhn, Laurie Farkas

Call to Order: Angela called the meeting to order at 4:30 p.m.

Long Term Substitute Issue: Bill proposed waiving the substitute pay policy in order to hire a certified special education long term sub for grades 3 and 4. He stated that prior candidates to whom he has offered the position declined to accept because the pay was too low. The teacher who is out is on unpaid leave. The money budgeted for the teacher who is out on leave is available to boost the long term sub pay to BA base, rather than 70% of BA Base, which is the amount that viable candidates have considered too low.

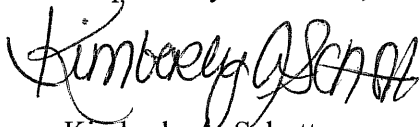
Don asked if HEC could assist. Laurie said no.

Sunday Burke noted that there is precedent, as she was hired as a long term sub at BA Base 5 years ago.

A motion was made (Abel/Giles) to waive the substitute pay policy in this instance. The Committee unanimously approved the motion.

On a motion (Abel/Giles) the meeting was adjourned at 4:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Kimberly A. Schott  
Scribe

Southampton School Committee  
 Minutes of Meeting  
 William E. Norris Library  
 August 22<sup>nd</sup> 2007  
 6:30 pm

Present: Angela Valinski, Dave Giles, Don Abel, Bill Collins, Barbara Ripa, Cindy Landers.

I. Call to Order: 6:35 pm

II. Visitors: Sue Teece, Brian Chamberlin, Matt Meunier, Kevin Hodgson, Lisa Rice,  
 Kim Schott

III. Routine Matters: Approve minutes from May 30<sup>th</sup> Special Meeting (Abel/Giles)

The 6<sup>th</sup> grade team made a proposal of a pilot program of a schedule change to add an extra hour of math per week. They would have a math lab on Tuesday and Thursday in place of recess. On a motion (Giles/Abel) it was approved.

Sue Teece gave a power point presentation on the mentor program at Norris School.

IV. Principal's Report: Bill gave us a staffing update. He also asked to waive the long term Sub policy for a temporary Kindergarten opening on a motion (Abel/Giles) it was approved. Bill presented some minor Handbook revisions and passed around the Crisis Preparedness Guides paid for by the PTO. We took a tour of the school and saw the fresh paint, shiny Floors, and new Washer/Dryer for the cafeteria.

V. Old Business: We were give a copy of the new Vocational policy to look over. On a motion (Giles/Abel) the updated school use policy was approved.

VI. New Business: We discussed the impact of the override vote scheduled for Sept. 10<sup>th</sup>.

A plaque is being ordered for Mr. Flynn honoring his Teacher of the Year accomplishment. Barbara gave us a copy of the Distribution of Medication policy to review. On a motion (Abel/Giles) we approved the renewal of the physician's contract.

VII. Reports: PTO- ice cream social coming up in 1<sup>st</sup> week of school

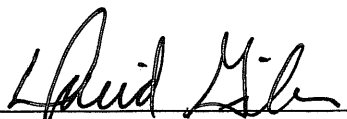
HEC- none

School Council- none

Hampshire School Committee- There was a lot of budget talk and a presentation from HEC.

Future Business: next meeting on September 26<sup>th</sup> at 6:30

Adjourn (Giles/Abel) at 8:40 pm

  
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 Dave Giles, Secretary

Southampton School Committee  
Meeting Minutes of June 27, 2007

Present- Angela Valinski, John Cowley, Dave Giles, Don Abel, Barbara Ripa,  
Cindy Landers

Call to Order: 6:30pm

I. Approval of minutes from May 23 meeting on a motion (Valinski/Abel)

- II. Elections:Chair- Angela Valinski
- Vice Chair- John Cowley
- Secretary- Dave Giles
- Hampshire Regional Committee- Don Abel
- HEC- pending 5<sup>th</sup> member
- Union 66 member- Don Abel
- Selectboard Liaison-John Cowley
- Other positions pending 5<sup>th</sup> member

III. Principal report:

Barbara reported that Mr. Flynn was named Teacher of the Year. She talked about the amazing reception and luncheon at the statehouse for Mr. Flynn. She also stated that a cafeteria report is upcoming at the next meeting because of pending receipts.


IV. Old Business:

Barbara reported that the 5<sup>th</sup> member of the committee is still pending the certification of the election by the Governor. Cindy presented some line item transfers for approval on a motion(Giles/Cowley). She also stated that there could be some unspent money from the '07 budget to return to the town.

V. Reports:

Hampshire Regional- Don reported that they held their elections and took care of a lot of policy changes and updates.

Adjourn (Abel/Giles)@8:20 pm.

  
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 Dave Giles  
 Secretary, Southampton School Committee

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SOUTHAMPTON SCHOOL COMMITTEE MEETING  
School Library - William E. Norris School

**Special Meeting**

Wednesday, May 30, 2007

6:30 p.m.

**MINUTES**

6:40 I. Called to Order - Angela Valinski, Chair  
Present: Don Abel, John Cowley, Dave Giles, Angela Valinski  
Also present: Barbara Ripa, Cindy Landers

II. Old/New Business  
Cindy passed out information containing proposed budget breakdowns from the School Committee, Finance Committee, Select Board and the original Select Board budget on the warrant.

The Committee discussed using School of Choice funds to cover the cost of a long-term substitute teacher.

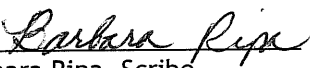
Cindy reviewed the Chapter 70 funding and required net school funding dollars.

The Committee agreed that if the Finance Committee doesn't stand up at the Town Meeting and propose an adjusted amount, Angela will.

Bill stated that \$13,579 was saved due to energy measures.

The Committee discussed what information should be available to the public during Town Meeting. Bill will be prepared to give a brief presentation if needed.

7:29 III. Adjourned on an Abel/Cowley motion.

  
Barbara Ripa, Scribe