

BOARD OF COOPERATIVE EDUCATIONAL SERVICES
SOLE SUPERVISORY DISTRICT
FRANKLIN-ESSEX-HAMILTON COUNTIES

HIGHLIGHTS OF BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING – December 18, 2008
Regular Meeting

MEMBERS PRESENT: Ralph Russell, Thomas Mac Donald, Jules Comeau, Thomas Derouchie, William Madden, III, Paula Niles, Thomas O'Bryan, John Swanston

MEMBERS ABSENT: William McConvey

OTHERS PRESENT: Stephen Shafer, Carol Lavoie, Nancy Montevago, Rick Swanston

CALL TO ORDER: at 7:00 PM at the North Franklin Educational Center in Malone

PLEDGE TO FLAG: was led by President Russell

BUSINESS MATTERS:

- Minutes of the Regular Meeting held on 11/20/08 were approved as presented.
- Biannual Presentation was given by Esther Debyah, Claims Auditor.
- Treasurer's Reports, Budget Control and Analysis of Revenue Reports for all funds for the month of November were approved as presented.

PRESENTATIONS:

- Rick Swanston presented the Board with information regarding the Green Initiatives throughout the agency. Recycling boxes produced by the Multi-Occupations Class were on display for the Board of Education.
- Lorraine Bessette along with staff members and a student gave a presentation on the Alternative Education Program offered at the North Franklin Educational Center.

PERSONNEL:

- School Monitor position was created.
- David Tyldesley's position of Physical Education Teacher was changed from 100% to 60% (effective 1/5/09)
- Resignation of Erica Karleskent, School Monitor effective 12/5/08 was accepted as well as a change in Rita Savage's effective date of resignation for retirement purposes to January 20, 2009.
- Karen Plante-Lanthier was appointed as an Account Clerk, Grade 5, Step G, Effective 1/5/09
- Designations were approved as follows:
 - Mandy Chambers – Teaching Assistant, Grade 10, Step A, Effective 1/5/09-6/30/09
 - Amy Robinson – Teaching Assistant, Grade 10, Step A, Effective 1/5/09-6/30/09
 - Bobbie Yaddow – School Monitor, Grade 8, Step B, Effective 1/5/09-6/30/09
- The following individuals were approved as a Part-Time and Occasional Employees:

Substitute – Instructional Program

Bobbie Yaddow

- Emergency Conditional Appointments were made as follows:
Christal Niles-Lynch, Substitute-Instructional Programs
Elena Toishi, Substitute-Instructional Programs
- Leaves of Absence were approved for Mandy Chambers and Amy Robinson (in order to accept designation as Teaching Assistants for the period of 1/5/09-6/30/09).
- Authorization was given for the District Superintendent to fill all remaining vacancies for the 2008-09 school year:
School Monitor
School Support Assistant
Special Education Teacher
Speech and Hearing Handicapped Teacher
Teacher Aide
Teacher of the Blind & Partially Sighted

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

- The Board approved and gave authorization for the District Superintendent to sign a One-Year Extension of CSEA Contract.
- Bids for the Mini-Excavator were reviewed and discussed and tabled for future action.
- Authorization was given for the President to sign the following:
 - a. Agreement with OneWorkSource in connection with the Summer Youth Program
 - b. Agreement with Franklin County Transportation Department in connection with the Model Transition Program Grant
 - c. Agreement with Franklin County Career Development Center in connection with Educational Resources Program
 - d. Agreement with St. Joseph's Rehabilitation Center in connection with the Adult Education Program
 - e. Contract with Partners in Safety, Inc.
- The Board approved the following club, extraclassroom fund and club advisor for the North Franklin Educational Center:
New Vision Government & Law Classroom Club – Tracy Edwards-Warren (Unpaid Faculty Advisor as part of instructional assignment)

ADDITIONAL MATTERS:

- Mr. O'Bryan distributed brochures in connection with a Constructivist Conference scheduled for July 20-24, 2009 at St. Lawrence University in Canton.
- Mr. Shafer advised the Board that at this time it does not appear there will be a need to hold a special meeting prior to the regular January meeting.

ADJOURNMENT: 8:39 PM

Carol J. Lavoie
District Clerk/Board of Education
12/19/08