

WINDHAM SCHOOL BOARD

MINUTES OF MARCH 2, 2005

SPECIAL MEETING

Members of the Windham School Board met on March 2, 2005 in the Windham Town Council Chambers for a Special Meeting, immediately following the Workshop Meeting. Present were Chairman Mike Duffy, Kate Brix, Donna Cobb, Jeff Vermette, Toby Pennels and Superintendent Sandy Prince. Absent: Ann Rich

Appointment

On a motion by Kate Brix, Seconded by Toby Pennels, the School Committee voted 5-0 that Christopher Howell be appointed as the Acting Principal for Manchester School for the remainder of the 2004 – 2005 school year.

Lacrosse Team Proposal

On a motion by Kate Brix, Seconded by Toby Pennels, the School Committee voted 4-1 that the School Committee endorse a Windham School Department Lacrosse Team, with all funding for the program to come from the parents and students. Mr. Vermette was opposed.

Mr. Duffy raised the question of whether the Board is supporting only Lacrosse for girls or if the support was for both a girls' team and a boys' team. He asked if the boys wanted a team at a later date, would they be expected to come back before the Board for approval?

Mr. Vermette responded that he felt the Board was supporting Lacrosse for both girls and boys and if the boys put together a team, they would not need to come before the Board for approval.

Policies

On a motion by Kate Brix, Seconded by Jeff Vermette, the School Committee voted 4 – 1 to approve the First Reading of the Suspension of Students Policy (File: JKD). Mrs. Cobb was opposed.

During public comment, Mary Wassick and Jeff Pierce stated to the Board that they did not want the policy changed.

Appointments – Administrators – Extended Contract Status

On a motion by Jeff Vermette, Seconded by Kate Brix, the School Committee voted 5-0 to approve the Superintendent's recommendation to grant extended contract status for 2005 to 2007 to the following administrators:

Deb McAfee	Principal	Windham High School
Hal Shortsleeve	Principal	Windham Middle School
Donna Stephen	Principal	Windham Primary School
Kelli Martin	Assistant Principal	Windham High School
Christopher Howell	Assistant Principal	Windham Middle School
Kathie Lee	Assistant Principal	Manchester School
A. Pender Kimball	Director	REAL School
Thomas Nash	Director	Windham Adult Education
Steve Merrill	Director	Windham Athletics

Executive Session

On a motion by Jeff Vermette, Seconded by Kate Brix, the School Committee voted 5-0 to approve going into Executive Session to discuss labor contract proposals for the Windham Administrators Association and the WEA Educational Support Professionals pursuant to [1 M.R.S.A. § 405(6)(D)], and not to return to Special Session.

Adjournment

On a motion by Toby Pennels, Seconded by Jeff Vermette, the School Committee voted 5-0 to approve that the meeting be adjourned.