Oyster River Cooperative School District

March 8, 2017   Oyster River High School   6:30 p.m.

SCHOOL BOARD MEMBERS: Tom Newkirk, Denise Day, Sarah Farwell, Dan Klein, Kenny Rotner, Maria Barth, and Al Howland

ADMINISTRATORS: Superintendent Dr. James Morse, Sue Caswell, Todd Allen, and Dennis Harrington

There were eight members of the public present

I. CALL TO ORDER:
6:30 – 7:00 p.m. Manifest reviewed and signed.

APPROVAL OF MANIFESTS:
Payroll Manifest #18: $1,200,703.25, Vendor Manifest #20 $680,915.47

III. PUBLIC COMMENTS:
David Taylor of Durham spoke on Warrant #8 Football. He urged the public to vote yes on Warrant Article #8 to maintain the status quo for no football in the District. He addressed the rumors of discrimination. There is no discrimination, the amendment needed to mention football. There is a very good athletic program already in the District. To add football there would be expensive facilities added in. The issue of Title IX would also have to be addressed.

VII. DISCUSSION ITEMS:

Moharimet Principal Nomination: Superintendent Morse reviewed the Principal hiring process. They met with the staff on a monthly basis for eight months. The staff did a great job and were amazing.

Superintendent Morse introduced David Goldsmith who is currently at the Stratham Elementary School as the nominee for the Moharimet Principal nomination.

David Goldsmith thanked the Board and is very excited to join the Moharimet community. The staff, teachers and parents were great and gave him a good glimpse of Moharimet. He is excited to work with a community that is so engaged.
Tom Newkirk feels that David has the deep intellectual sense of learning and the community is very lucky to have him.

Al Howland saw that the hiring process was a good collaboration of where the District is as a whole.

Kenny Rotner complimented Superintendent Morse who created this process. This is a hard transition for the District but the plan that was put in place to address it worked very well.

VIII. ACTION ITEMS:
A. Superintendent Action Items: None

B. Board Action Items:
Kenny Rotner moved to accept Superintendent Morse’s recommendation to hire David Goldsmith as the Principal of Moharimet School when Dennis Harrington retires, 2nd by Denise Day. Motion passed 7-0.

X. PUBLIC COMMENT:
Dean Rubine of Lee thanked Superintendent Morse for the great forum last evening. He hopes that everyone comes out to vote next Tuesday on Election Day.

XII. NON-PUBLIC SESSION: RSA 91-A:3 II (a) (c)
  • Student Issue
  • Superintendent Contract

Kenny Rotner moved to enter into nonpublic session at 7:14 pm under RSA-91:3 II (a) (c), 2nd by Denise Day. Upon roll call vote, the motion passed 7-0.

XIII. ADJOURNMENT:
Maria Barth made a motion to adjourn at 9:02 p.m. 2nd by Sarah Farwell. Motion Passed 7-0.

Respectfully yours,

Laura Grasso Dobson
Recording Secretary