

MINUTES of the Madawaska School Committee Regular Meeting held October 8, 2008 at 6:30 p.m. at the Superintendent's Conference Room.

PRESENT: Yves Dube, Chairman
Paul Cyr
Roger Thibodeau
Michael Lavertu
David Morneault
Lyford Beverage, Superintendent
Ginette Albert
Wayne Anderson
Donald Garon
Christine Cowie

GUESTS PRESENT: see attached list

I. The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m.

II. Adjustment to the Agenda.

A) Adjustments

Paul Cyr moved to discuss restoration of taping School Committee meetings on Channel 16. Failed due to a lack of a second.

III. Correspondence and Announcements.

Paul Cyr will be attending the annual MSMA Fall conference will attend the delegate assembly representing Madawaska.

IV. Period of Public Participation about Items on this Agenda.

No one took advantage of public participation.

V. Approval of the Minutes of meeting September 10, 2008 and meeting of September 24, 2008.

✧ **Roger Thibodeau moved to accept minutes as read seconded by David Morneault and so passed 5-0-0.**

✧ **Roger Thibodeau moved to accept minutes as read with the correction on item IV to read June 30, 2010 and June 30, 2009. Seconded by Michael Lavertu and so passed 5-0-0.**

VI. Approval of Financial Report.

✧ **Roger Thibodeau moved to approve the June 2008 financial report seconded by David Morneault and so passed 4-1-0. Paul Cyr opposed.**

- ✧ Paul Cyr moved to table the September 2008 financial report to the regular school committee meeting of October seconded by David Morneault and so passed 5-0-0.

VII. Superintendent's Report:

As written.

VIII. Other Reports:

- ✧ Vincent Vanier reported on technology initiatives to maximize technology instruction.
- ✧ Wayne Anderson introduced Stephanie Nadeau, student council representative. He explained that Student Council is working on policy for service learning. Ginette Albert added to the report by telling how the elementary school involved.
- ✧ Wayne Anderson and Ginette Albert spoke about AYP and school reports. Mr. Anderson also addressed immediate strategies to impact reading scores, which did not make AYP.

IX. Items of Business.

New Business:

- A) Roger Thibodeau moved to enter into executive session pursuant to 1 M.R.S.A. § 405(6)(A) to hire a Superintendent of Schools. Seconded by David Morneault and so passed 5-0-0.

Time In: 7:50 p.m.

Time Out: 8:00 p.m.

POST EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Roger Thibodeau moved to elect Michael C. Wright as the Superintendent of Schools of the Madawaska School Department entering into a contract starting December 1, 2008, of as soon as possible, and expiring on June 30, 2011 with a starting salary of \$86,000 annually. Seconded by David Morneault and so passed 5-0-0.

Old Business:

- A) Boiler repair/replacement at the Middle/High School

This was discussed under Superintendent's report item VII.

B) Roger Thibodeau moved to enter into executive session pursuant to 1 M.R.S.A. § 405 (6)(A) on salaries of professional staff not covered by a comprehensive contract. Seconded by Michael Lavertu and so passed 4-1-0. Paul Cyr opposed.

Professional Staff – Administration, Guidance, School Nurse and Technology Coordinator, Central Office Personnel.

Paul Cyr moved to vote to challenge the Chair’s request for no discussion on the executive session. 4-1-0 in favor of the Chair’s position. Paul Cyr opposed.

Time In: 8:05 p.m.

8:35 p.m.

POST EXECUTIVE SESSION:

No action taken.

X. Roger Thibodeau moved to adjourn at 8:37 p.m. seconded by David Morneault and so passed 5-0-0.

Respectfully submitted:

Lyford P. Beverage