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Date Approved
Special Meeting
March 10, 2009

MINUTES OF THE BLOOMSBURY BOARD OF EDUCATION

The March 3, 2009 Meeting was called to order at 7:04 PM by Michael Galuppo, Board President. Notification has been given in conformance with the Sunshine Law: In accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act (NJSA 10:4-6) adequate notice of this meeting has been provided to the Hunterdon County Democrat and the Bloomsbury Borough Council and posted at the Bloomsbury Elementary School, Bloomsbury Post Office, and filed in the Board Office with the Board Secretary.

ROLL CALL

Present: Michael Galuppo, Karyn Frey, Cathy Foulk, Marnie Carrick and Robert Furnari

Absent: None

Others Present: Michael Slattery, CSA and Teresa Barna, SBA/BS

FLAG SALUTE

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all present.

NORTH EASTERN PENNSYLVANIA WRITING PROJECT

Lucy Stanovick and Emily Cantilina gave a presentation to the board on the how the writing project program works. This is a professional development program that focuses on teaching students how to write. This would be a partnership between NWP and the Bloomsbury School that would provide professional development for the entire school year to all the staff members. Grant funds are available to help offset the cost of the project.

FACILITY PROJECTS – STEVE WEBER

Steve Weber, Head Custodian, presented a list of facilities projects to the board for its consideration in the 2009-2010 budget. Items to be considered are as followed:

- Move heat pipes in the multipurpose room
- Install 5 wall pocket tables
- Replace windows in the 2nd and 3rd grade classrooms
- Install speakers and 2-way boxes
- Upgrade heat flow in middle school
- Repair alleyway retention wall
- New fire monitoring company
- New fire inspection company
- Upgrade exits signs to include lights
- Upgrade heat heads throughout the building
- Move basketball backboards
- Hire a roof consultant
- Downsize or build covers over cast iron radiators in the student bathrooms
- Bell system for deliveries
- New chairs for second grade classroom – about 20

The board prioritized the above list and agreed consider funding the following projects

- Downsize cast iron radiators in the student bathrooms- Cost unknown
- Upgrade heat flow in middle school - $2,134
- Move heat pipes in the multipurpose room - $6,975
- Upgrade exits signs to include lights - $800
- Repair alleyway retention wall - $2,886
- New fire monitoring company – no change in budget amounts
- New fire inspection company – no change in budget amounts

Other items will be considered if financially feasible as the budget is being developed and finalized.

BUDGET DISCUSSIONS

The following items were added to the budget:

- $10,000 for water usage
- $12,000 for retirements
- $4,360 for North Eastern Writing Project
- $1,180 for Curriculum Writing
- $300 for Legal One, administrative professional development
- 2 desktop computers and 4 laptop computers – need to get a quote

Mr. Slattery will be speaking to the cluster about the possibility of sharing babies on a rotation basis.

Hearing no further business, the board adjourned at 10:05 pm on a motion by Michael Galuppo, second by Marnie Carrick. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

Respectfully submitted,

Teresa E. Barna, RSBO
Business Administrator

Respectfully submitted,

Board Member