

ISLE AU HAUT SCHOOL COMMITTEE

August 29, 2016

Meeting Minutes

School Committee Members Present: Karen Teague, Kendra Chubbuck, Alison Richardson, Roz Santaspago, Sue MacDonald

Staff Present: Rita MacWilliam, [Chris Elkington (via conference call)]

1. Call to Order and Declaration of a Quorum

Sue opened the meeting and declared a quorum at 7:04 p.m.

2. Minutes

The Minutes from 8/15/16 were reviewed. A Motion was made by Roz to accept the minutes as amended. Vote: 4 in favor; 0 opposed; 1 abstain.

3. Art and Music Teacher

Interviews were conducted last week by Rita and Kendra. They discussed their opinions and recommendations with the board. It was decided that the scope of the positions should be better defined. The candidates do not necessarily have to be certified to teach. We will have to change the job title to music/art appreciation. We will repost for the positions and ask applicants to submit a cover letter, resume and three (3) letters of reference.

The candidates who were interviewed will be contacted by Chris and welcomed to reapply under the new definitions of the positions.

All applications will be due by September 13th and interviews will be conducted on Tuesday, September 20th.

4. Maintenance

The board had approved a bid received by Alvah for work to be completed at the school. However, upon further review, it was felt that the original bid that was posted did not include some of the necessary work to be done. The committee has chosen to repost for the work that needs to be done to allow anyone interested the opportunity to put in a bid.

The board will review Alvah and Ellard Taylor's reports of work that needs to be done at the school and come up with a new bid and post it as soon as possible.

5. New Business

There as been a new kindergarten student enrolled. This will bring us up to five students.

There has been one bid received for the bus driver by Karen Teague. The bus will pick students up on Coombs Mt. Road at 7:35 a.m.; drop off at school; then pick up a student at the end of the Lighthouse Road at 7:55 a.m. and drop off at school. The first student will be dropped off at the Lighthouse Road at approximately 2:35 p.m. then the other students will be picked up from the school and dropped of at Coombs Mt. Road.

There was a Motion by Alison to accept the bid as amended for the two year contract at \$8,600 per year. Vote: 4 in favor; 0 opposed; 1 abstain.

It was discussed whether kindergarten should be a full day or half day. A Motion was made by Kendra to approve a full day kindergarten. Vote: 5 in favor; 0 opposed.

Bob Turner received his contract for transporting the high school students to Deer Isle. He needs a school calendar. Chris will review if Lisa Turner has a contract.

Rita would like to have an open house at the school. She will look at the calendar and pick an evening date in the near future. Also, she needs a substitute for the teacher retreat on September 16th and the Island Teacher Conference on October 13-14th. She would like to take an apple picking field trip on September 15th.

A Motion was made by Roz to tentatively approve an apple picking field trip on September 15th to include a budget of up to \$500.00. Vote: 5 in favor; 0 opposed.

Rita would like to research getting an artist in residence and will come back to the board when she has the details.

The pie auction made \$3,101.00. It was a great turnout and a fun night.

Paula's retirement tea went well and she was very appreciative.

6. Citizen's Comments

No citizens present.

11. Adjourn

Sue made a Motion to adjourn. Vote: 5 in favor; 0 opposed. The meeting was adjourned at 8:49 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Karen Teague, Secretary