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MILFORD SCHOOL BOARD
MINUTES
Monday, May 19, 2014

Call to Order:

Chairman Paul Dargie called the School Board meeting to order at 7:00 PM, in the Milford High School, room # 182. Board members present included Mr. Kevin Drew and Mr. Robert Willette. Mr. Len Mannino and Mr. Peter Bragdon were absent. Also present were Superintendent Robert Suprenant and Business Administrator Katie Chambers.

Board Member Comments:

There were no Board member comments.

Public Comments:

Parent Carla Boudreau spoke to the School Board about class sizes for next year, particularly grade three. She cited average class sizes in Milford as compared to the State. She referred to the recently completed District survey which resulted in reduced class sizes as being an area in need of improvement by parents and faculty. Discussion followed between the Board and Ms. Boudreau about this issue.

Reports and Presentations:

a. Superintendent's Report:

1. The Superintendent informed the Board that today marked the second of three days of orientation for incoming kindergarten students. Next year's students come in and spend time in classrooms working in four centers while parents are meeting with the school administration and counselors. This is the second year of the kindergarten orientations and they have been very popular with parents and enjoyable for the students. Kindergarten enrollment is currently at 118 with a Board projection of 143.

2. The High School has organized a Community Service Day for Friday, May 23rd. There will be lots of activity throughout town involving students from different levels conducting clean-up activities with local businesses.

3. Eighth grade graduation has been scheduled for Thursday, June 18th at 6:30 in the Middle School gym.

New Business:

a. Request for Funds National History Day Competition:

Teacher Steven Vetack described the History Day Competition. He introduced students Kayla Bulwinkell and Megan Hammes. He noted this was the 13th consecutive year that students for Milford had earned the right to compete in the national competition. Megan and Kayla spoke about the research and techniques they used for their project - The Dorr's Rebellion.

Mr. Willette moved to approve \$500.00 for the trip. Mr. Drew seconded. All in favor 3-0.

b. Re-Adoption of Investment Policy:

Chairman Dargie explained the purpose of the policy. Mr. Willette moved to re-adopt the investment policy. Mr. Drew seconded. All in favor 3-0.

c. Bid-Award – High School Asbestos Abatement:

Business Administrator Chambers summarized the project and described the bid process. Ms. Chambers recommended Advanced Building Systems, Inc for \$18,650.00 pending successful signing of the contract.

Mr. Drew moved to award the High School Asbestos Abatement project to Advanced Building Systems, Inc. Mr. Willette seconded. All in favor 3-0.

d. Bid Award – High School Carpet/Tile:

Business Administrator Chambers summarized the project and described the bid process. Ms. Chambers recommended David Wheeler, dba Maranatha Carpet for \$19,662.00.

Mr. Drew moved to award the High School Carpet/Tile project to David Wheeler, dba Maranatha Carpet. Mr. Willette seconded. All in favor 3-0.

e. Bid Award – Solid Waste Disposal:

Business Administrator Chambers summarized the project and described the bid process. Ms. Chambers recommended Waste Management for \$45,540.00.

Mr. Drew moved to award the Solid Waste Disposal to Waste Management. Mr. Willette seconded. All in favor 3-0.

Old Business:

Housekeeping Items:

Nominations:

Mr. Drew moved to approve the following nominations. Mr. Willette seconded. All in favor 3-0.

Melanie Olczak – MHS Math Teacher.

Bryan Field – MHS Science Teacher.

Sherry Houle – HP School Counselor.

Corey Laird – MHS Accounting Teacher.

Caitlin Christo – MHS Social Studies Teacher.

Approval of Minutes 5/5/14:

Mr. Drew moved to approve the minutes of 5/5/14. Mr. Willette seconded. All in favor 3-0.

Approval of Manifests:

Mr. Willette moved to approve the listed manifests. Mr. Dargie seconded. All in favor 3-0.

Public Comment:

There were no public comments.

Non-Public Session:

There was no non-public session.

Adjournment:

Mr. Dargie moved to adjourn at 8:03 PM. Mr. Drew seconded. All in favor 3-0.

Chairman of the School Board

Date of signing