

# CHEBEAGUE ISLAND SCHOOL COMMITTEE MEETING

Tuesday, November 4, 2008 6:30 P.M.

## CHEBEAGUE ISLAND SCHOOL

### Minutes

School Committee: Jen Belesca, Beverly Johnson, Ken Pelton, and Jerry

Wiles (7:10), Chair, and Carol White

Administration: Superintendent Alton L. Hadley, III

Staff: Althea Dugliss

Guests:

1. Call to Order  
Jen Belesca, Vice Chair, called the meeting to order at 6:36 PM.
2. Flag Salute  
Belesca led those present in the salute to the flag.
3. Approval of Agenda (A)  
**Motion to approve the agenda as printed.**  
**Moved- Johnson, seconded- White**                      **Approved**                      **4-0-0**
4. Approval of Minutes (October 21, 2008) (A)  
**Motion to approve the minutes of the meeting held on October 21, 2008**  
**Motion- Pelton, seconded- Johnson**                      **Approved**                      **4-0-0**
5. Correspondence (I)  
Hadley shared with the Board correspondence from the Commissioner of Education regarding the possible curtailment of GPA because of shortfalls at the state level. Hadley did not feel that this action would impact the CISD budget since the only funds we receive are debt service and special education funds.
6. Public Comment
  - Althea Dugliss reported on the progress of the Fall Newsletter and stated that it would be in the mail by the end of the week.
  - Rob Prescott, parent, expressed concerns he had regarding the Every Day Math Program that we use at the CIS. The Committee invited him to attend the November 15<sup>th</sup> meeting where the Committee and members of the public will discuss Transitions and Curriculum Review. The meeting will be held at the school at 7:30 AM.
7. Reports (I)(D)
  - School Board Chair

Wiles reported briefly on his visit at the fall conference. He attended one session that MSAD 11 Gardiner presented that reflected that the school was not functioning as a school and how the district addressed those concerns. He also attended a session on complainers that was presented by our attorney, Peter Lowe.

Johnson reported on her experience at what she called an excellent conference sponsored by MSBA. She visited presentations on Board Fiduciary Responsibilities, Legal Liability Issues, Adult Education, and Early Childhood Education.

- Superintendent/Principal/SPED Director  
None

8. Old Business (I)(D)(A)

- a. School Committee Goals 2008/2009  
The Committee has completed its work on Goals for 2008 and will adopt at the first meeting in December.
- b. Freedom of Access Workshop  
The School Committee members and the Superintendent reviewed the Q & A Review of Freedom of Access distributed by the Department of Education. Everyone successfully completed the review.

9. New Business (I)(D)(A)

- a. Warrant #8  
The School Committee reviewed and signed the Warrant # 8.
- b. October Financial Report  
Hadley distributed the October Financial report for discussion and review.
- c. Policy Review  
This serves as a reminder that in January the Committee will resume review of its policies.

10. Other Business

- The School Committee had a lengthy discussion of the approaches to education and outlined the plan for the workshop being held on November 15, 7:30 AM at the school to discuss Transition and curriculum review.
- Community Open House will be held on November 18<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 PM.

11. Adjourn

**Without objection, the meeting was adjourned at 8:30 PM.**

**A- ACTION**

**D- DISCUSSION**

**I- INFORMATION**