

**MISSION STATEMENT  
ENSURING CONTINUOUS IMPROVEMENT FOR EACH LEARNER**

The Wells-Ogunquit C.S.D. commits to ensuring that each student develops and applies the skills necessary for achievement by setting high academic and behavioral expectations, addressing individual needs and differences, and utilizing effective teaching strategies within a safe, respectful environment. The responsibility for education is shared by school, student, family and community.

**MINUTES**

The Wells-Ogunquit C.S.D. School Committee held their regular meeting on **October 6, 2010 at 6:30 p.m.** at the Office of the Superintendent. In addition, the School Committee held a Welcome Reception for new staff at **6:00 p.m.** New staff attending included David Boyd, Betsy Brown, Pat Hayden, Brett Noble, Cheryl Oakes, Fran Prentice, Michael Richards and Charlotte Wilson.

School Committee members attending included Chair David Johnson, Vice Chair Damon Russell, Matthew Chase, Russell Fox, Sue Pollard and Diana Allen. Administrators in attendance included Superintendent of Schools Elaine Tomaszewski, Jim Daly, Chris Chessie, Marianne Horne, Ken Spinney, Johanna Reinke, Cheryl Mills, Pat Hayden and Eileen Sheehy.

Visitors attending included Director of Finance Scott Smith, Maryanne Foley, Eric Hopkins, Beth Goodwin, Janet Parent, Reg Bennett, Michael Richards, Chris Milliken, David Boyd, Colleen Forde, Charlotte Wilson and John Bailey.

**I. Call to Order/Reading of Mission Statement**

Chairperson Johnson called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. and read the District Mission Statement. Chairperson Johnson thanked the new staff for attending the reception and welcomed them.

**II. Pledge of Allegiance**

Attendees recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

**III. Adjustments to Agenda**

Add Item IX. Letter C. Consideration and approval of 1<sup>st</sup> trimester Intramural Coaches/Advisors

**IV. Recognition, education and/or school presentations**

None

**V. Public Comments**

None

**VI. Consideration and approval of minutes of the School Committee meeting held on September 15, 2010**

Matt Chase noted the dollar amount for the Math Tutor position under the Federal Education Jobs Bill Update was listed incorrectly. The correct dollar amount is \$39,203.

Motion to approve minutes of the School Committee meeting held on September 15, 2010 as amended

Moved: Matt Chase

Seconded: Damon Russell

Vote: 6-0

**VII. Superintendent's Report**

A. Items for Information

1. Notification of Resignation
  - i. Jason Stelmach – WHS Computer Technician
2. *Board and Administrator*
3. Conference Attendance
4. WJHS Building Repairs
5. Other

B. District Reports

1. Wells High School
2. Special Services
3. Adult Education

In her Superintendent's Report, Superintendent Tomaszewski

- Shared that Jason Stelmach has resigned from his position as Computer Technician at Wells High School.
- Reviewed the September issue of *Board and Administrator*.
- Reported that she recently attended the 5<sup>th</sup> Maine Symposium on Higher Education, outlining the highlights and implications for our K-12 system.
- Shared she has been selected for the Superintendent's National Advisory Committee. There are 14 individuals nationwide on this committee.
- Explained that in repairing the brickwork at the junior high a problem has been discovered with the final course of brickwork on the top of the building (so called "soldier bricks"). Re-anchoring is needed to fix the problem. The re-anchoring will likely reach the threshold for bidding. The Finance Committee met this evening to discuss this. More information will be given when available.
- Said she and Scott Smith met with Town of Wells officials today to discuss shared services. The two also have a meeting scheduled with Town of Oqunquit officials.
- Noted that Sandy Brennan has been recognized by EcoMaine for providing student work for their recent Open House.

Jim Daly provided an update on Wells High School; Eric Hopkins, Beth Goodwin and Janet Parent provided an update on Special Services; and Cheryl Mills provided an update on Adult Education.

Consideration and approval of leave of absence – Chris Milliken

Chris Milliken, Art Teacher at Wells Junior High School, requested a one year unpaid leave of absence followed by a one year sabbatical in order to complete a degree program at Concordia University in Montreal. It is the recommendation of the Superintendent and Building Principal that Chris be approved for the one year leave of absence for the 2011-2012 school year and return next October to request the one year sabbatical.

Motion to approve a one year unpaid leave of absence for Chris Milliken as recommended by the Superintendent

Moved: Russell Fox

Seconded: Diana Allen

Vote: 6-0

## VIII. Old Business

### A. Federal Education Jobs Bill Update

Superintendent Tomaszewski provided information regarding the Federal Education Jobs Bill stating it is her recommendation to replace the Ed. Tech. III math tutor position at Wells Elementary School and add the extra section of Foreign Language at Wells High School. At this time, she does not recommend increasing the Gifted/Talented position at Wells Elementary School. Superintendent Tomaszewski offered that Reg Bennett, Public Information Officer, has accepted a substitute van driving position that will restore his annual earnings lost due to the budget reduction. Maryanne Foley, Community Resource Coordinator, would be the only actual cut of hours remaining.

Motion to utilize the funds (in the amount of \$52,817) for the Ed. Tech. III math tutor position, the Foreign Language position and replace the five hours per week for the Community Resource Coordinator

Moved: Russell Fox

Seconded: Matt Chase

Vote: 5-1  
(Pollard)

Motion to include replacing the five hours per week for the Public Information Officer in addition to motion above

Moved: Sue Pollard

Seconded: Diana Allen

Vote: 3-3  
(Pollard, Allen, Chase voted yes)  
(Fox, Johnson, Russell voted no)

**IX. New Business**

A. Introduction of New Staff – Michael Richards

Superintendent Tomaszewski introduced Michael Richards as the Collaborative Content Coach for Technology. Michael provided a brief overview of what he has been doing to learn about technology needs in the district.

B. Consideration and approval of 1<sup>st</sup> trimester Intramural Coaches/Advisors at Wells Junior High School

Superintendent Tomaszewski shared the list of 1<sup>st</sup> trimester Intramural Coaches/Advisors which included: Saul Lindauer (Green Club), Ken West (Floor Hockey and Flag Football), Renee Savage (Wii “r” Fit Club and Wii Sports), Jane Garnsey (Art Club and Design to Scale), Ellen Rodman (Walking), Dawn Valente (Math Team), Alison Graichen (Jazz Band), Eric Hopkins (Games Club), Lynn Mercier (Animal Stewardship Club), Rachel Kilbride (Sewing Club), Linda Gaidimas (Sewing Club), and Bonnie Dill (Little House).

Motion to approve the 1<sup>st</sup> trimester Intramural Coaches/Advisors as presented

Moved: Damon Russell                      Seconded: Diana Allen              Vote: 6-0

**X. Committee Reports**

David Johnson reported for the Policy Committee. The Committee met October 6, 2010 to finalize language for two policies, discuss amending by-laws and review section D policies. The Policy Committee will meet once per month to continue policy revisions. There will be policies coming forward for first reading at the October 20 meeting.

**XI. Adjournment**

To adjourn meeting at 8:00 p.m.

Moved: Russell Fox                      Seconded: Matt Chase                      Vote: 6-0

Respectfully submitted,

Elaine M. Tomaszewski, Secretary  
Wells-Ogunquit C.S.D.