

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

The Wells-Ogunquit C.S.D. commits to ensuring that each scholar develops the social, academic, critical and creative thinking skills necessary to meet with success in college, career, citizenship and life. The responsibility for education is shared by student, family, school and community.

MINUTES

The Wells-Ogunquit C.S.D. School Committee held a special meeting on **August 5, 2014** at **4:00 p.m.** at the Superintendent's Office, 1460 Post Road, Wells.

School Committee members attending included Diana Allen, Helena Ackerson, David Johnson, Jason Vennard, David Fazzino and Sarah Tavares. Administrators in attendance included Superintendent Ellen Schneider and Rick Kusturin.

Visitors attending included David Smith, Brad Goodale, Ron Lamarre, Dave Smith, Chris Hayden, Josh Gould, Zak Harding, Arthur Dudley, Dean Ramsdell, William Stevens, Jerry Crouter.

1. Call to Order/Reading of Mission Statement

Vice Chair Allen called the meeting to order at 3:59 p.m. and read the District Mission Statement.

2. Pledge of Allegiance

Attendees recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. Adjustments to Agenda

None

4. Public Comments

None

5. New Business

A. Appointment of Vice Chair as Interim School Committee Chair

Move that, effective immediately, vice chair Diana Allen be appointed chair of the district school committee, to serve on an interim basis until election by this committee of a chair at the meeting on September 3, 2014 or on such later date as this committee may elect a chair, and that until such election, the interim chair have full authority of the chair, including without limitation the authority to execute and deliver bonds or notes of this district and to take such other acts as may be necessary to provide for the financing of the high school construction project.

Moved: David Johnson Seconded: Sarah Tavares

Vote: 5-1-0
(Allen abstained)

B. Update regarding General Contractor bids and filed sub-bids
i. Bid process and results

Ron Lamarre, Lavallee Brensinger Architects (LBA), shared the district opened the sub bids with the general contractor bids. Warren Construction filed a bid protest regarding Northern Peabody, Inc. (NPI). Ron shared that an investigation revealed that NPI had not conformed to the bid instructions. They combined numbers within the bid, listed exclusions, and did not provide all the bid documents to AC Dudley. Lavallee Brensinger Architects recommended the School Committee reject the NPI bid. With NPI replaced by Warren Mechanical in AC Dudley's base bid, Harvey Construction appeared to be the low bidder before alternates were considered.

Ron then shared his review and consideration of bid alternates. He recommended three deduct alternates: 5, 8 and 13. He could not recommend Alternate 11, because CMP was requiring the installation of new lines, but he will continue discussions with CMP. He did not recommend Alternate 10 because he believed the value to the school of an emergency generator was greater than cost savings from accepting the alternate.

Ron shared his reasons for recommending Alternate 1. He strongly believes that Unitil will not have natural gas into Wells in 2015. Alternate 1 provides for the installation of propane tanks, and propane will be needed to heat the building until natural gas is available.

ii. Recommendation from selection committee

Zak Harding stated it is the recommendation of the selection committee to reject the NPI bid as non-conforming, to accept the alternates proposed by Ron Lamarre, and to declare AC Dudley as the low bidder after consideration of alternates.

iii. Presentation by General Contractor bidder(s)

Arthur Dudley, AC Dudley, thanked the School Committee and explained how his company arrived at the project numbers. He also reviewed a concern with the specified timeline.

William Stevens, Harvey Construction, stated his company bid the job according to the bid specifications and cautioned the district regarding concerns about timeframes with AC Dudley.

C. Executive Session

Motion to enter Executive Session at 4:31 p.m. to consult with legal counsel regarding the board's legal rights and duties pursuant to 1 M.R.S.A. § 405 (6) (E)

Moved: Sarah Tavares Seconded: David Johnson Vote: 6-0

The Committee was declared out of Executive Session at 4:58 p.m. by Chair Allen.

D. Consideration and action on bid dispute

Superintendent Schneider read and reviewed the "Resolution Regarding Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law, and Decision Regarding Filed Sub-Bids"

Move that the resolution entitled, "Resolution Regarding Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law, and Decision Regarding Filed Sub-Bids", be adopted in form presented to this meeting (resolution is attached to these minutes)

Moved: Jason Vennard Seconded: David Johnson Vote: 6-0

E. Consideration and award of General Contract subject to value engineering, and authorization of Notice to Proceed with respect to temporary conditions

Superintendent Schneider read and reviewed the "Vote to Award General Contractor for Wells High School Construction Project"

Move that the vote entitled "Vote to Award General Contractor for Wells High School Construction Project" be adopted in form presented to this meeting (document is attached to these minutes)

Moved: Jason Vennard Seconded: Sarah Tavares Vote: 6-0

6. Adjournment

Motion to adjourn meeting at 5:09 p.m.

Moved: Jason Vennard Seconded: David Johnson Vote: 6-0

Respectfully submitted,

Ellen H. Schneider, Secretary
Wells-Ogunquit C.S.D.