

Board of Education Minutes
Tri-Board Meeting
August 27, 2015

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A joint meeting of the Boards of Selectmen, Finance and Education was held on Thursday, August 27, 2015, at 7:00 p.m. in the North Stonington Elementary School Multipurpose Room. Present for the Board of Selectmen were Mr. Mullane, Mr. Donahue, and Mr. Testa; present for the Board of Finance were Mr. Pavlovics, Mr. Woodward, and Mr. Main; and present for the Board of Education were Mr. Carlson, Mr. Mathwich, Mr. Karpinski, and Mrs. Wagner. Also present was Mr. Nero. The meeting was called to order at 7:07 p.m. by Mr. Donahue. He welcomed everyone.

2. Public Comments – M. Donahue (BOS) – None.

3. Tri-Board Progress Re-Cap/Fair Feedback – M. Donahue (BOS) - Mr. Donahue recapped what happened at the meeting in June. He spoke of the discussion of manning a booth at the Fair. He explained a video presentation was done on the science labs. A slide show was also presented during the Fair. They did a survey of people asking them what the best way was to reach them. He elaborated. He passed out the results of the survey and reviewed them.

4. Ad Hoc Committee Status/Introductions – R. Carlson (BOE) – Mr. Donahue reviewed that the Board of Selectmen were tasked to appoint an Ad Hoc Committee. He elaborated. Mr. Carlson introduced himself for those that did not know him. He thanked the Ad Hoc Committee for their time to serve on the committee. He had comment for the Ad Hoc Committee. The Ad Hoc Committee members introduced themselves and gave a brief personal background. The Ad Hoc Committee members are Brad Borden, Jay Peterson, Steve Sadowski, Mike Urgo, Mike Anderson, Pam Potemri, and Walt Mathwich. Mr. Mullane introduced Tyler DiBrino who is a senior at Wheeler High School and will be an auxiliary member of the committee. Mr. Bing Bartick is also on the committee but was not able to attend this evening's meeting.

5. Draft Committee Mission Summary/Guidelines – M. Donahue (BOS) - Mr. Donahue passed out a draft of the mission summary and guidelines for the Ad Hoc School Building Committee. Mr. Donahue reviewed the summary and guidelines and elaborated on each of the items to explain them. Mr. Carlson had comment on meetings and said the committee's former time slot was still available which is the second and fourth Monday of the month at New Town Hall. Questions were asked and answered. There was discussion. Mr. Nero had comment. Mr. Mullane had comment. Members of the Boards had comment and suggestions for the new committee. Members of the Ad Hoc Committee had comment. There were further questions asked and answered. Timelines were talked about. Mrs. Wagner reminded those present that this has been going on since 2008. Members of the Boards introduced themselves. There was comment and further questions asked and answered. The Ad Hoc Committee will meet as a special meeting on Monday, August 31st. Further questions were asked and answered. Suggestions were made.

6. Discussion – Boards – Covered above.
7. Session Summary – M. Donahue (BOS) – Mr. Donahue reviewed this evening's meeting.
8. Assignments/Next Topics – R. Carlson (BOE) – Mr. Carlson said it was discussed that a liaison be appointed from each of the Boards to attend the Ad Hoc Committee meetings.
9. Next Meeting – R. Carlson (BOE) – The steering committee will meet on September 17th and the next Tri-Board meeting will be September 24th. The Tri-Board meeting will meet in the Gymnasium band room.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Roberta T. McCarthy, Secretary to
The Board of Education