
**MINUTES
THOMASTON BOARD OF EDUCATION
REGULAR MEETING**

**Thomaston Town Hall – Meeting Room One
Wednesday, February 25, 2015
7:00 p.m.**

Members:

**Roxy Fainer, Chairperson
Kathleen Freimuth, Vice Chairperson
Anne Petrucci, Secretary
Alexander Lee, Treasurer
Francine Coss, Superintendent**

**Beth Campbell
Carol Pettinicchi
Rebecca Guay
Jennifer McDonald
Maureen McMahan**

Minutes

Members Present: Roxy Fainer, Kathleen Freimuth, Alexander Lee, Rebecca Guay, Jennifer McDonald, Maureen McMahan, Anne Petrucci and Francine Coss

Members Absent: Beth Campbell, Carol Pettinicchi

- I. Establishment of a Quorum and Call to Order:**
Roxy Fainer called the meeting to order at 7:04P.M. after relocating it to the Superintendent's Office on the Sixth Floor of the Thomaston Town Hall due to Meeting Room being occupied by another group.
- II. Pledge of Allegiance:**
Board members recited the Pledge of Allegiance.
- III. Approval of Agenda:**
Kathleen Freimuth **MOVED** and Anne Petrucci **SECONDED** to accept/approve the Regular Meeting Agenda, February 25, 2015.
MOTION CARRIED 7-2-0
- IV. Approval of Board of Education Minutes:**
A. Special Meeting Minutes dated December 1, 2014:
Kathleen Freimuth **MOVED** and Anne Petrucci **SECONDED** to accept/approve Special Meeting Minutes dated December 1, 2014 as presented.
MOTION CARRIED 7-2-0
B. Regular Meeting of the Board of Education Meeting Minutes dated December 8, 2014:
Anne Petrucci **MOVED** and Kathleen Freimuth **SECONDED** to accept/approve Regular Meeting Minutes dated December 8, 2014 as presented.
MOTION CARRIED 7-2-0

C. Budget Subcommittee Meeting Minutes dated December 8, 2014:
Anne Petrucci **MOVED** and Kathleen Freimuth **SECONDED** to accept/approve Policy Subcommittee Minutes dated December 8, 2014 as presented.

MOTION CARRIED: 5-2-2 (Maureen McMahon and Jennifer McDonald).

D. Policy Subcommittee Meeting Minutes dated December 8, 2014:
Kathleen Freimuth **MOVED** and Alexander Lee **SECONDED** accept/approve Budget Subcommittee Minutes dated December 8, 2014 as presented.

MOTION CARRIED: 5-2-2 (Anne Petrucci and Rebecca Guay).

E. Special Policy Subcommittee Meeting Minutes dated December 15, 2014:
Alexander Lee **MOVED** and Kathleen Freimuth **SECONDED** to accept/approve Special Policy Subcommittee Minutes dated December 15, 2014 as presented.

MOTION CARRIED: 7-2-0

F. Special Meeting Minutes dated December 15, 2014:
Alexander Lee **MOVED** Kathleen Freimuth **SECONDED** to accept/approve Special Meeting Minutes dated December 15, 2014 as presented.

MOTION CARRIED: 7-2-0

V. Superintendent's Report:

The Superintendent presented the following information:

- A. Black Rock School Air Quality Report
- B. Memorandum of Agreement (Thomaston School Administrators Association) Voice/Data Communication
- C. Memorandum of Agreement (American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees) Additional Duties
- D. Mini-Grant - Common Core Professional Learning
- E. Grant - Assessment Reduction
- F. Exit Interview Form
- G. Emergency Shelter Cot Kits
- H. District Strategic Operating Plan - Midyear Summary
- I. Education Enrichment Fund, Inc. – Financial Report
- J. Passport to Thomaston History
- K. State BOE Action on Wamogo
- L. AFSCME Demand to Negotiate and Request Information
- M. Enrollment Report
- N. Administrator Reports
- O. Personnel
 - a. New Hires/Transfers:
 - *Terri Franzi, History Teacher, Thomaston High School, New Hire effective January 5, 2015*
 - *Carol Hanson, Paraprofessional, Black Rock School, Voluntary Transfer effective January 5, 2015*
 - *Regina Tirino, Paraprofessional Black Rock School, New Hire effective January 12, 2015*
 - *Marion Samoska, Paraprofessional Thomaston Center School, new hire effective January 12, 2015*
 - b. Resignations/Retirements:
 - *Marjorie Otto, Guidance Counselor, Thomaston High School, retirement effective June 30, 2015*
 - *Rose McLaughlin, Social Worker, Thomaston High School, retirement effective June 30, 2015*

Anne Petrucci **MOVED** and Kathleen Freimuth **SECONDED** to accept/approve New Hires/Transfers and Resignations/Retirements as presented.

MOTION CARRIED 7-2-0

VI. Committee Reports:

A. Budget/Audit Committee:

The Budget/Audit Committee Report was presented by Francine Coss as written.

1. Reports:

a. Business Report

- *High School Water Heater*
- *Diesel Bid*
- *Electricity Bid*
- *Energy Cost Savings*

b. Finance Report

- *2014 - 2015 Budget*
- *2013 - 2015 Grant Report*
- *2015-2016 Operating Budget and 2015-2020 Capital Budget Summary*
- *December Transfers*

2. Action Items:

a. Business and Finance Report

- *2014-2015 December Expenditures of \$1,112,899.87*
- *2014-2015 January Expenditures of \$1,289,945.60*
- *2014-2015 December Transfers of \$6,184.75*
- *2014-2015 January Transfers of \$0.00*

Kathleen Freimuth **MOVED** and Anne Petrucci **SECONDED** to accept/approve Business and Finance Report, Expenditures, and Transfers as presented.

MOTION CARRIED 7-2-0

B. Policy Committee:

Anne Petrucci presented the Policy Committee Report as listed below.

1. Read Items:

• *First Reads:*

- *Policy Audit – Series 1000 – Community Relations – First Read*
- *Policy 3542.45 – Vending Machines - First Read*
- *Policy 3542.33 - Food Sales Other than National School Lunch Program (Policy and Regulation) - First Read*
- *Policy 3542.34 – Nutrition Program (Policy and Regulation - First Read*

• *Second Reads:*

- *Policy 4120 - Personnel Certified - Temporary, Part - Time Assignments - Second Read*
- *Policy 1331 - Smoke Free Environment - Second Read*
- *Policy 4118-231 – Personnel - Alcohol, Drugs, and Tobacco – Second Read*
- *Policy 5113 - Attendance - Absences for Students of Service Members - Second Read*
- *Policy 6142.101 - Student Nutrition and Physical Activity – Second Read*
- *Program Coordinator – Pupil Personnel Services Job Description - Second Read*

2. Discussion Items:

- *Thomaston Public Schools 2015-2016 School Year Calendar*
- *Policy 4115 – Personnel Certified Evaluation*
- *Policy 4118.231 Personnel – Alcohol, Drugs and Tobacco*
- *Policy 5131.61 – Students – Drug, Alcohol, and Tobacco Policy*
- *Policy 5113 – Attendance – Students High School Attendance Excused Absences and Truancy, Regulation*
- *Policy 3540 – Monies in School Buildings*
- *Policy 3551 – Business/Non-Instructional Operations – No School/No Play - Guidelines*
- *Interest-Based Bargaining Explanation*

3. Action Items:

- *Policy 5131.6 - Students - Drug, Alcohol, and Tobacco*

Anne Petrucci **MOVED** and Kathleen Freimuth **SECONDED** to accept/approve Policy 5131.6 – Students – Drug, Alcohol, and Tobacco Policy as presented.

MOTION CARRIED: 7-2-0

VII. Public Participation:

No members of the public were in attendance.

VIII. Adjournment:

Kathleen Freimuth **MOVED** and Jennifer McDonald **SECONDED** to adjourn the meeting. The meeting was adjourned at 7:27P.M.

MOTION CARRIED: 7-2-0

DRAFT