

Tisbury School Committee Minutes  
August 12, 2008

Members present: Maura Valley, Chairperson, Rebecca Cass and Robert Tankard  
Others Present: Superintendent Dr. James Weiss, Asst. Superintendent Laurie Halt, Principal  
Richie Smith, FinCom Representative Jynelle Kristal and Secretary Barbara  
Armstrong

The meeting was called to order @ 2:09pm

1. Mr. Smith introduced Jynelle Kristal to the School Committee. She is the Representative to the Finance Committee.
2. The minutes of the July 22, 2008 meeting were read and approved as written.
3. Superintendent's Report:  
Dr. Weiss reported that the Cabinet recommended an increase in the cafeteria lunches. Student lunches to increase from \$2 to \$2.25, staff lunches from \$3 to \$3.25 and milk from \$.30 to \$.50. Motion was moved to accept the recommendation. Motion was carried unanimously.

The Cabinet approved an increase in sub rates from \$60 to \$65 a day and \$70 to \$75.

Tisbury School was part of an energy audit that was done for the Town of Tisbury. The school's audit and recommendations will be presented when available.

4. Personnel:  
Dr. Weiss reported that a resignation letter has been received from Nancy Hehre, a 4<sup>th</sup> grade Teacher Assistant. Motion was made to accept her letter of resignation with regret. Motion carried unanimously.
5. Finance Report  
Mr. Smith reported that no reports are available for this meeting.
6. Principal's Report:  
Mr. Smith reported that he has hired Hope Fecitt for the Spanish teacher position. She previously taught Spanish at Tisbury.

The Tisbury School is no longer under contract to buy the modular building. The school has an extended one year contract and will pay \$753 a month to lease the building.

10 staff members from Tisbury School attended the Developmental Design Workshop held at the Tisbury School in July. The cost for each was \$645. This expense was unanticipated and therefore not budgeted.

Mr. Smith requested funding for other unbudgeted items for the FY09 school year. Many of the items were unanticipated. The Breakfast Program, Algebra Program, One on One assistant, EPGY, and staffing differentials add up to an approximately \$60,000 deficit.

There is \$250,000 in School Choice money available.

Mr. Tankard made a motion that \$70,000 be taken from School Choice money for the deficit and that Mr. Smith come back to the School Committee for approval for each of the individual items he needs from these funds. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Tankard made a motion to approve \$6450 from School Choice money to cover the cost of the Developmental Design Workshop held in July. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Tankard made a motion to approve \$753 a month from School Choice money to be used to pay the one year lease on the modular. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Smith requested the creation of a 2 hour day additional secretarial position. Motion carried unanimously.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:53pm

Submitted by Barbara Armstrong, School Secretary