

**Ashford Board of Education**  
**September 18, 2007**

**Call To Order**

L. Olson, Chair, called the meeting to order at 7:16 p.m. in the Ashford School Library.

**Present**

L. Olson, P. Borysevicz, M. Stearns, T. Lucier, D. King, J. Sterling-Folker, A. Breault, Superintendent, N. Johndrow, Principal, M. Giardi, Assistant Principal/Director of Special Services, and K. Conderino, Recording Secretary

**Persons To Be Heard**

None

**Communications**

The minutes and agenda for the Board of Finance were received.

**Approval of Minutes**

- August 23, 2007  
Motion by T. Lucier to approve the minutes of August 23, 2007. Seconded by M. Stearns.  
Vote: Yes: L. Olson, M. Stearns, T. Lucier, D. King, J. Sterling-Folker. Abstention: P. Borysevicz. Motion carries.
- September 6, 2007  
Motion by D. King to approve the minutes of September 6, 2007. Seconded by M. Stearns.  
Vote: Yes: L. Olson, M. Stearns, T. Lucier, D. King, P. Borysevicz. Abstention: J. Sterling-Folker. Motion carries.

**Principal's Report**

Mrs. Johndrow requested that the Principal's Report be put on the first agenda of the month to be able to review the past months events. Mrs. Olson stated that the agenda is driven by policy, which would have to be changed.

**Vice Principal/Sp. Ed. Director's Report**

Mrs. Giardi spoke about the new discipline forms, which were designed by the PBS committee. The information will be entered into a computer program in order to track incidents. She also discussed her plan to develop a Special Education Manual and discussed the changes to the 07 – 08 special education budget showing the beginning of the year savings. The Extended School Year costs were reviewed. Mrs. Lucier asked that this be brought back for further explanation.

**Superintendent's Information**

- CMT Test Scores  
Mr. Breault reviewed the test scores and talked about the progress that is being made and areas of concern at Ashford School. He discussed all the different building blocks such as the new math and Language Arts curriculum, the added teaching staff in middle school and the extended teaching time that will help to improve scores. Mrs. Johndrow then explained and shared samples of binders she prepared with information for each teacher showing past students' scores and information on their present students. Also in the binder, was information on each individual strand so that teachers would be able to zero in on problem areas.
- Consolidated Grant  
Motion by P. Borysevicz to approve Mr. Breault applying for the Consolidated Grant. Seconded by T. Lucier. Passed unanimously.

- Water Update  
The tests on the well water have come back negative and the custodial staff was able to unwrap the water fountains. We will test five times again in October according to state regulations. Approval from the State Department of Education has been granted for the well project and the advertisement for the bid process has been put in the newspaper today, 9/18/2007 with bids to be opened September 26<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 a.m.
- Other  
None

Motion by D. King to move into executive session at 9:15 p.m. and invite Mr. Breault. Seconded by M. Stearns. Passed unanimously.

**Possible Executive Session**

- Negotiations
- Legal Matters
- Pending Claims & Litigation

The Board came out of executive session at 9:50 p.m.

**Adjournment**

Motion by D. King to adjourn at 9:51 p.m. Seconded by T. Lucier. Passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Karen Conderino  
Recording Secretary