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**WASHINGTON NORTHEAST SUPERVISORY BOARD
MEETING MINUTES
Thursday, May 26, 2016**

PRESENT: Chris Tormey, Sharon O'Connor, Patrick Healy, Jack Hoffman **Administrators:** Nancy Thomas, Superintendent **Absent:** Jill Wilson, Ry Hoffman

Call to Order: Chris Tormey called the meeting to order at 6:37pm.

Public Comment: None

Consent Agenda

- a. Approve March 17, 2016 Minutes- Board present reviewed the minutes of March 17th and agreed that it appears to be accurate. There was not a quorum of those attending the meeting to vote on approval.

Reports

- a. Superintendent Report – Nancy Thomas
 - Twinfield will be hosting a Summer Academic Program that includes both Cabot and Twinfield students and staff. The program is being funded with the Title I grant. There are currently 96 children enrolled and a staff of 8 teachers and 7 para-educators.
 - There will be curriculum/professional development sessions in Science, Literacy and Math. Immediately after school ends, also supported by the Consolidated Federal Program grants. Eighteen Teachers will participate June 14th, 15th and 16th, 17th

Board Discussion

- a. FY16 Financial Report
 - Nancy shared the FY16 financial report with the board. There were savings in most areas except in special education.
- b. Consolidated Federal Program (Titles I and II) and Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA) grants
 - In the past the Consolidated Federal Program Grant has been used for early education services but this is no longer possible with the implementation of Act 166.
 - Some of the Consolidated Federal Program Grant will be used to fund the 5 week summer school program to be held at Twinfield School.
- c. Hiring Recommendation-Occupational Therapist.
 - Nancy recommended the hiring of Debra Ann Pinsof-DePillis for the .5 Occupational Therapist position.
- d. Maintenance Leader Proposal
 - Nancy and Pete Ackerman , WNESU Maintenance Director, recommend the creation of Maintenance leader roles for each school.
 - These positions would entail providing an annual stipend for the added responsibility.

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- The added responsibilities when Pete is not available would include being the contact person to greet and work with service providers who come to the building, take the lead to address maintenance and vehicle issues as they arise, come to the building after hours to open the building or check on issues such as any of the alarm systems. After hours work would also be paid.
 - The proposal is for a \$2,000.00 (total) stipend for each school. Twinfield would have one maintenance leader and Cabot will split the role with two individuals.
- e. Initiating Negotiations
- Nancy proposed sending a letter to the Teacher Associations to propose beginning negotiations in June due to the complexity of the process this year and the fact that there will also be support staff negotiations.
- f. Act 46 Next Steps
- Twinfield and Cabot have both voted to move forward with forming a 706 Committee.
 - Danville has not voted yet. There are two new board members and Peter Clarke and Superintendent, Mat Forrest will bring new board member up to date.

Board Action

- g. Approve Acceptance of Consolidated Federal Program (CFP) Grant, Approve Acceptance of Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA) Grant
- Jack moved to approve the acceptance of the FY 2017 CFP and IDEA Grants. Chris seconded the motion. Acceptance of IDEA and CFP grants approved.
- h. Act on Hiring Recommendation-Occupational Therapist
- Patrick moved to approve the hiring of Debra Ann Pinsof-Depilis for the Occupational Therapist position. Sharon seconded the motion. Motion approved.

Executive Session: None

Adjournment: Meeting adjourned at 7:24pm

Respectfully Submitted

Amanda LeBlanc, Transcriber