

Portland School Committee

FY09 Budget Workshop-Public Input – 5:30 – 7:30pm

Business Meeting – 7:30pm – 7:45pm

Executive Session – 7:45 pm

Wednesday, March 26, 2008

**Room 250
Casco Bay High School**

Assuring that all students are learning for their future

Budget workshop – 5:30pm – 7:30pm

1. FY09 budget workshop with public comment

Business Meeting – 7:30pm to 7:45pm

Old Business

Personnel

1. Consideration and action to approve the Personnel item as listed.

Sabbatical

Barbara Adrian

DHS/Science

2008-2009 School Year

During my sabbatical I plan to enhance my depth and breath of knowledge in science through didactic studies and targeted travel. I will learn the meteorology and astronomy I need to teach these subjects by taking classes at USM. I will also be traveling to countries with geologically significant features, biological diversity and critical ecological importance. These include Tanzania's African Rift Valley, and the Serengeti and Lake Victoria Wildlife Preserves, as well as the Three Gorges Dam and Guangxi Province in China. In these and all the places I visit, I will be collecting information, photographs and geological samples of particular interest to my students. I am not traveling as a tourist, but as a volunteer and teacher. I will be involved in schools in various capacities (teaching conversational English to Buddhist monks) in Bangkok, Thailand and (as guest speaker/social worker) Biharamulo, Tanzania. I also plan to visit schools in Shanghai, China. In all of these culturally different places I will be studying their various approaches to education with an eye to better understand the "science" of teaching our own diverse student population here at home.

Moved _____ Seconded _____ Voted _____ approve the Personnel item as listed.

Executive Session – 7:45pm

Consideration and action to move into Executive Session to hear a report from the chairperson on negotiations for a contract extension with the interim superintendent pursuant to 1 MRSA § 405(6)(A).

Moved _____ Seconded _____ Voted _____ to move into Executive Session to hear a report from the chairperson on negotiations for a contract extension with the interim superintendent pursuant to 1 MRSA § 405(6)(A).

Moved _____ Seconded _____ Voted _____ to come out of Executive Session

Moved _____ Seconded _____ Voted _____ to adjourn the meeting at _____

Upcoming School Committee Meetings – Room 250, CBHS

April 2	7pm	Business meeting and vote on FY09 budget
April 16	7pm	First reading of 2008-09 school calendar

Upcoming Workshops – Room 250, CBHS

April 9	7pm	Calendar; Superintendent's search; How we do business
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Upcoming Finance Committee meetings – Room 321, PATHS

April 1	5:30-8:30pm	Review budget to be presented to full committee
April 2	5:30-7pm	Review budget to be presented to full committee