

TRUMBULL PUBLIC SCHOOLS
TRUMBULL, CONNECTICUT
Special Meeting – June 25, 2008
Long Hill Administration Building
Lorraine R. Smith Assembly Room

The Trumbull Board of Education convened in the Long Hill Administration Building for a Special Meeting.

Members present:

S. Wright, Chairman
M. Ward, Vice Chairman
J. Tyborowski, Secretary
L. Chory, Board Member
D. Herbst, Board Member
L. King, Board Member
L. Labella, Board Member

Agenda Item I – Preliminary Business

- A. Salute to the Flag - The Public Session began at 8:34 p.m. followed by a salute to the Flag.
- B. Correspondence – There was no correspondence this evening.
- C. Comments and Questions – On behalf of Jane Ryan School parents, Michelle Salem, 14 Hampton Road, read a statement and distributed a bulleted list (attached) regarding the deteriorated state of the Jane Ryan roof. Booth Hill parent Tamara Peterson, 43 Puritan Road, conveyed that Booth Hill School was in need of a portable to accommodate enrollment needs and art and music on a cart. A discussion ensued.

Agenda Item II – New Business

- A. Special Appropriation Request – At a previous meeting, the Board discussed and approved not to expend any unspent monies that have not already been encumbered from the 2007-08 budget. These funds will remain in the Town coffers, and then a special appropriation would be requested to fund Board determined district priorities, particularly the repair of the Jane Ryan roof. A discussion ensued regarding several options and costs for repair of the roof. John Barbarotta, who has been working closely with Plant Administrator Steve Kennedy, noted that this roof had been inspected by an expert in this field, The Savin Group, who noted that the entire roof would need replacement within three to five years. It was also noted that this project has been included in the Five Year Capital Plan, which has not yet been enacted, for the past several years. Discussion also included the question of a possible percentage reimbursement from the State if the entire roof were redone; a possible timeline, including that of an engineer to design the roof; and questions regarding submission of an ED049 form. It was moved (Herbst) seconded (Ward) to direct the Superintendent to seek a special appropriation from the Town for replacement of the entire Jane Ryan roof. Vote: unanimous in favor.

Following discussion, it was moved (Labella) seconded (Chory) to direct the Superintendent to seek a \$95,000 special appropriation from the Town for a power management system for PC networks that has the potential of saving the district \$100,000 yearly in energy costs. Vote: unanimous in favor.

A discussion ensued regarding the need for a portable for Booth Hill School. The Superintendent noted that based on enrollment, the portable would be needed for the 2009-2010 school year and not the 2008-09 school year, although music would need to be put on a cart.

Adjournment

Board Members gave unanimous consent to adjourn the Public Session at 9:34 p.m.