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PLYMOUTH BOARD OF EDUCATION
SPECIAL MEETING
MONDAY, MARCH 24, 2014
TERRYVILLE HIGH SCHOOL
TOWN HALL
SENIOR LOUNGE
6:30 P.M.

MINUTES

Present: Board Members – Mr. Engle, Mr. Melchionna, Mr. Perugino, Mr. Orsini, Dr. Wheeler and Mrs. Kulesa

Absent: Mrs. Johnson, Mr. Gentile and Mr. Goodwin

1. Call to Order

Mr. Engle, Board Chair, called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

2. Adoption of the Agenda

MOTION: To adopt the agenda as presented. Motion Mr. Perugino, seconded Mr. Orsini, motion passed unanimously.

3. Retirement Incentive

The group discussed re-opening the retirement incentive effective March 25, 2014 through and including April 7, 2014.

Along with the retirement incentive, a discussion took place with respect to a proposal put forth by the Mayor and comptroller in regard to the Board's Budget Presentation on Monday, March 24, 2014. In order to help the Board mitigate the issue of a 0%, in June of 2014, the town would place \$250,000 in reserve to help towards the increase in health insurance which the Board will encounter.

Questions from the Board: Mr. Melchionna – (a) Is there a guarantee that the \$250,000 will be placed in our reserve or is there a written contract: Answer: No guarantee or written contract. (b) How does that help the Town if you are taking from one pocket and sticking it into another pocket? Answer: Not known as to which account the Town will use for the transfer of funds. (c) If the \$250,000 is placed in a reserve account can those funds be used elsewhere or just for insurance: Answer: The Board has complete control but once the funds are placed in the medical reserve account they must remain there.

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Funds cannot be taken out but funds can be stopped from being deposited in the reserve account.

Dr. Wheeler – How many number of individuals have taken advantage of the previous early retirement incentive: Answer: 4, and the superintendent is hoping there may be one or two more individuals who will take advantage if the Board approves reopening the early retirement incentive.

At this time the Mr. Engle, Board Chair asked for the following motion:

MOTION: To approve reopening the early retirement incentive effective March 25, 2014 through and including April 7, 2014. Motion Mr. Perugino, seconded Mr. Orsini. At this time the chair called for a roll vote:

Mr. Perugino, Mr. Melchionna, Mr. Orsini, Mrs. Kulesa and Dr. Wheeler. all voted in favor of the motion. Motion passes.

4. Public Comments

Mr. Bourbonniere – Recommends the Board and Town explore state plan regarding health insurance.

15. Adjournment

MOTION: To adjourn at 6:45 p.m. Motion Mr. Perugino, seconded Dr. Wheeler, Goodwin, motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Dr. Wheeler
Secretary
Plymouth Board of Education