

MINUTES OF THE CORNWALL BOARD OF EDUCATION
SPECIAL MEETING HELD ON JUNE 7, 2011 AT 7:00 P.M. AT
CORNWALL CONSOLIDATED SCHOOL

Board members present were: Becky Hurlburt, Phil Hart, Irene Hurlburt, Wynne Kavanagh, Thomas K. Levine, and Rachel Matsudaira. Also present was Superintendent of Schools Patricia Chamberlain; Assistant Superintendent of Schools Diane Goncalves; CCS teacher Bonnie Burdick; and CCS parents Jennifer Marko and Janet Sanders.

Ms. B. Hurlburt called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m.

Ms. Chamberlain described part of the principal search committee process and said that the search committee was quite impressed with two candidates. She went on to say that during a visit to his present school, one of the candidates was praised by students and staff alike to Board members and to her. Mentoring and conflict resolution were two strong points on his résumé.

Discussion followed about experience of candidates and readiness to take on a principal position.

On a motion by Mr. Levine, seconded by Ms. Kavanagh, upon the recommendation of the superintendent, Michael Croft will be offered the position of CCS principal with a two-year contract beginning July 1, 2011. Motion carried.

There followed discussion about what to do if Mr. Croft declines the offer.

Mr. Hart made a motion that the second candidate should be offered the job if the first candidate turns down the offer. Mr. Levine seconded the motion. Mr. Hart agreed to amend the motion to state that the second candidate would be considered if the first candidate turned down the offer. Voting aye was Mr. Hart. Voting nay were Ms. B. Hurlburt, Ms. I. Hurlburt, Ms. Kavanagh, Mr. Levine, and Ms. Matsudaira. The motion did not carry.

Ms. Chamberlain will offer Mr. Croft a first-year salary of \$95,000.

On a motion by Mr. Levine, seconded by Mr. Hart, the meeting was adjourned at 7:40 p.m.

Minutes recorded by

Carla Whiteside

As reported to

Susan F. Gingert
Board Clerk