

**SCHOOL DISTRICT OF SOMERSET
BOARD OF EDUCATION
SPECIAL SESSION
MONDAY, JULY 7, 2008
DISTRICT OFFICE BOARD ROOM
Minutes**

Chair Tim Witzmann called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Roll Call was taken. Members present were: Robert Gunther, Sharon Germain, Catherine Cranston, Mike Connor, Tim Witzmann, and Marie Colbeth. Absent was Brian Moulton. Also present: Randy Rosburg and Bob Avery.

Colbeth moved, with second by Connor, to approve the agenda. Motion passed unanimously.

Committee discussed the 2008-09 Coaching & Advising Assignments. Cranston moved, with second by Germain, to recommend approval of the 2008-09 Coaching & Advising Assignments as presented. Committee questioned if this topic should be a Human Resources Committee topic for discussion instead of a Teaching & Learning Committee topic. Members also discussed whether or not coaching positions should be posted the same as staffing positions are posted. Teachers have first opportunity for a coaching position, but the Athletic Director has the final say in that area. A question was raised about the number of volunteers, and why some are paid \$1.00. Rosburg stated that the Athletic Director works with the coaches on getting volunteers, and that some volunteers, such as the football volunteers for the chain sidelines, are paid one dollar so they are covered by the district insurance in the event they are involved in an accident on the field. Rosburg stated there are no additional paid coaching positions unless the board acts on them. Members agreed to ask the Athletic Director do provide information to them with regard to whether or not vacant coaching positions should be posted. Will bring to HR Committee—committee felt this made more sense. Motion carried unanimously.

The Business Services Committee brought forth a recommendation to approve the food service contract with A'viand's. Rosburg stated the district received DPI approval of the process and vendor. He said the vendor will retain all the employees who work for the current food vendor. A'viands used to work for the district under the name of Best Company, but were underbid by Chartwells during the last bidding process. Colbeth moved, with second by Germain, to approve the contract with A'viand's as the school district's food services vendor. Motion carried unanimously.

Connor moved, with second by Colbeth, to accept the resignation of Pupil Services Director Darren Kern. After discussion and much remorse that Mr. Kern has decided to leave, the motion carried unanimously. The Pupil Services Director position will be posted and will close on August 1st.

Motion by Cranston, with second by Colbeth, to adjourn the meeting at 6:28 p.m. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Tim Witzmann
President