Rivendell Interstate School District – Special Board Meeting Minutes
Rivendell District Office – Orford, NH
July 14, 2008

Members Present: Margaret Gladstone, Sandra Smith-Ordway, Doug Tifft (Fairlee); Carol Sobetzer, Brenda Gray, Marc DeBois (Orford); Beverly Ash (West Fairlee); Jennifer Ricker (Vershire), Bruce Lyndes (at-large)

Administrator Present: Gail Keiling, Head of Schools (Superintendent)

Others Present: None

I. Call Meeting: Carol Sobetzer called the meeting to order at 5:33 p.m.

II. Executive Session – Personnel: Action - Motion was made to go into Executive Session at 5:34 p.m. to discuss personnel issues. Approved. Board came out of executive session at 6:45 p.m.

III. Business Requiring Discussion & Action
   A. Personnel
      1) Head of High School Position
         Action - Motion made to offer a contract to Donna Valentine for the Head of High School (principal) position at Rivendell Academy. Approved.
      2) Teacher Hiring
         Action - Motion made to offer a contract to Lauren Chomko as a Language Arts Teacher in Middle School at Rivendell Academy. Approved.
      3) Coaches
         Action - Motion made to offer coaching contracts to the following: Shawn Clough, JV Girls’ Basketball; Steve Colby, Varsity Boys’ Basketball; Jennifer Steck, MS Girls’ Basketball; Paul Dalton, Skiing; Hank Tenney, Varsity Girls’ Soccer; Heidi Nichols, JV Girls’ Soccer; Jeff Huntington, JV Boys’ Soccer; Elwin Brooks, MS Girls’ Soccer; and Lawrence Hibbard, MS Boys’ Soccer. Approved.
      4) Action: Motion was made to release Kevin Cotter from his 2008-2009 Teacher’s Contract. Approved.
   B. Decision on Technical Assessment Bids on Orford Academy Building: Discussion took place regarding the Orford Academy Building Task Force’s recommendation to hire UK Architects of Hanover to do the feasibility analysis of the building.
      Action: Motion was made to hire UK Architects to perform the feasibility study on the Old Orford Academy Building. Approved. Gail will hire and follow-up UK Architects and Task Force.

IV. Transact any Other Business that Needs to be Considered: Action - Motion was made to hold a School Board and Administration Retreat on August 5th at 5:15 p.m. Location to be determined. Approved.

V. Adjourn: Action – Motion made to adjourn meeting. Approved.
   Meeting adjourned at 6:55 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Carol Sobetzer