

**Communications Committee**  
**May 23, 2005**  
**Minutes**

Present: Stewart Brock, Keith Burke, Nan Fornal, Christy Greene, Hope Hunt, Joe MacGregor, Bill McKinnon

Nan called the meeting to order at 7 p.m.

1. Assignments were made for the next issue of the school board newsletter. Subcommittee chairs are asked to provide reports on the work of their subcommittees. The deadline for getting copy to Nan is June 11.

2. There was discussion of communications in general.

- Keith reported that he will be submitting op-ed pieces to the *Monadnock Ledger*, the *Peterborough Transcript*, and the *Keene Sentinel*, with an eye to developing this into regular communication from the school district to the public.
- Stewart will be available to meet with his constituents on the evening of May 26, the first in a quarterly series of open meetings. He will be at the Francestown library for two hours, with no agenda, to afford the citizens of the town an opportunity to meet with him. He plans to bring before the board any issues of concern to his constituents.
- Christy suggested that all school board representatives hold similar meetings in their towns. Joe proposed having one school board meeting date per quarter set aside for representatives to meet with the citizens of their towns.
- Because school board members receive invitations to so many events at the district's schools, Stewart suggested maintaining a list so that board members can attend as many events as possible.
- Bill suggested using a listserv for communications of the school board. Nan pointed out that since at least one member of the board is not regularly online, this might not be a good time to institute the listserv concept.

3. A review of the school board section of the district website was held, thanks to Keith's handling projection of the site onscreen.

- Nan will work with Carol Mamczak to post information on new school board members and will add new committee assignments (which Joe said will be announced at the board meeting on May 24).
- The pages for the fields and technology committees will be removed since those committees have been incorporated into the budget and property and education/budget and property committees, respectively.
- Committee chairs are asked to review the pages for their committees to update information as necessary.

No other business was brought before the meeting, which adjourned at 8:05 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,  
Nan Fornal, chair