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OFFICERS, AGENTS AND EMPLOYEES

OF THE MARLOW SCHOOL DISTRICT

Joseph Scharf, Chair	Term Expires 2008
Arthur E. Andreasen	Term Expires 2006
Denise E. Bennett	Term Expires 2007
Kenneth R. Dassau	Term Expires 2008
Stephanie Tickner	Term Expires 2007

N.H. SCHOOL ADMINISTRATIVE UNIT 29 ADMINISTRATION

Michele L. Munson	Superintendent of Schools
Wayne E. Woolridge	Assistant Superintendent of Schools
William B. Gurney	Assistant Superintendent of Schools
James H. Vezina	Business Administrator
Timothy L. Ruehr	Business Manager for Towns
Paul R. Cooper	Manager of Personnel Services
Bruce E. Thielen	Director of Special Education
Michael A. Duhaime	Director of Technology Services

STAFF

Richard Brewer	Teaching Principal/Grades 5-6
Alice Scharf	Secretary
Sarah Antel	Grades 3-4
Jay Bowks	Spanish
Sandra Cunningham	Kindergarten
Leo Echavarria	Physical Education
Deborah Hrdlicka	Guidance Counselor
Susan Kennedy	Special Education
Victoria Moore	Music
Darlene Scimemi	Art
Margaret Wyman	Grades 1-2
Shelley Earley	Occupational Therapist
Melanie Greenwood	Physical Therapist
Jane Kronheim	Vision Specialist
Lois Sellers	Speech/Language
Sandy Swinburne	Psychologist
Jeanne Symonds	Academic Evaluator
Sharon Davis	Tutor
Kristine Dow	Title I
Dawn Elliott	Inclusion Aide
Sharlene Logan	Inclusion Aide
Kathy Peets	Inclusion Aide
Cynthia Wood	Nurse
Beth LaFreniere	Food Service
John Richards	Custodian/Maintenance

OFFICERS

Joseph N. Feuer	Moderator
Mary Avery	Clerk
Patricia Lucas Rogan	Treasurer
Plodzik & Sanderson	Auditor

ENROLLMENTS

- Elementary: Kindergarten - 10, Grade 1 - 5, Grade 2 - 9, Grade 3 - 12, Grade 4 - 3, Grade 5 - 12, Grade 6 - 7; totalling 58 pupils
- Middle School: Grade 7 - 8, Grade 8 - 8; totalling 16 pupils
- High School: Grade 9 - 8, Grade 10 - 12, Grade 11 - 7, Grade 12 - 11; PG - 1; totalling 39 pupils

TOTAL ALL PUPILS: 113

COMPLIANCE STATEMENT

This school district receives federal financial assistance. In order to continue receiving such federal financial assistance, this school district will not discriminate in their educational programs, activities or employment practices on the basis of race, language, sex, age, or handicapping condition, under the provisions of Title IX of the 1972 Educational Amendments; Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973.

Complaints regarding compliance with Title IX regulations should be submitted in writing to the Title IX liaison for School Administrative Unit 29, the Personnel Manager, 34 West Street, Keene, New Hampshire.

Complaints regarding compliance with Rehabilitation Act of 1973 - Section 504 should be submitted in writing to the Director of Special Education, 34 West Street, Keene, New Hampshire.

Michele L. Munson
Superintendent of Schools

SCHOOL WARRANT
STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

To the inhabitants of the school district in the Town of Marlow qualified to vote in District affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the John D. Perkins, Sr. School in the Marlow School District on the 16th day of March, 2006, at 7:00 p.m. to act upon the following articles:

ARTICLE 1: To hear the reports of agents, auditors, committees or officers chosen, and to pass any vote relating thereto.

Article 1 passed by voice vote.

ARTICLE 2: To see what sum of money the District will vote to raise and appropriate for the support of schools, for the salaries for school district officials and agents, and for the statutory obligations of the District, or to take any other action in relation thereto.

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Discussion followed regarding continued work on boiler system, air quality and national health codes, doors and safety issues. Motion was restated.

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Motion restated. Article 4 passed by voice vote

ARTICLE 5: To transact any other business that may legally come before this meeting.

Given under our hands at said Marlow this 24th day of February, 2006.

MARLOW SCHOOL BOARD

*Joseph Scharf, Chair
Arthur E. Andreasen
Denise E. Bennett
Kenneth R. Dassau
Stephanie Tickner*

SCHOOL WARRANT
STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

To the inhabitants of the school district in the Town of Marlow qualified to vote in District affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Town Hall in the Town of Marlow on the 14th day of March, 2006, between the hours of 2:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m. to act upon the following article:

ARTICLE 1: To choose all necessary school district officers:

One member of the school board for the ensuing three years
 A moderator for the ensuing year
 A clerk for the ensuing year
 A treasurer for the ensuing year from July 1, 2006

Given under our hands at said Marlow, this 24th day of February, 2006.

MARLOW SCHOOL BOARD

Joseph Scharf, Chair
Arthur E. Andreasen
Denise E. Bennett
Kenneth R. Dassau
Stephanie Tickner

TOWN OF MARLOW SCHOOL ELECTION RESULTS MARCH 8, 2005

School Board (2) - 3 Year Term			
<i>Kenneth Dassau</i>	110		
<i>Joseph Scharf</i>	109		
Blank	43		
Write-In:			
Donna Chase	1	Pat Hersom	1
Wendy Durant	1	Linda Kendall	1
Tom Foote	1	Jim Strickland	1
Moderator - 1 Year Term			
<i>Joseph N. Feuer</i>	109		
Blank	10		
Void	1		

Write-In:			
John Casey	1	Tom Foote	3
Kenneth Dassau	1	Richard Rock	6
Rick Davis	1	Jim Strickland	1
Gladys Foote	1		
Clerk - 1 Year Term			
<i>Mary Avery</i>	133		
Blank	1		
Treasurer -1 Year Term			
<i>Patricia Lucas Rogan</i>	123		
Blank	6		
Write-In:			
Lucille Gorges	2	Marcia Levesque	1
Richard Elliott	1	Roxanne MacConnell	1

2006-2007 PROPOSED SCHOOL BUDGET

MARLOW SCHOOL DISTRICT MEETING

MARCH 16, 2006

2006-2007 PROPOSED BUDGET

Expense Accounts

	2004-2005	2005-2006	2006-2007	(2005-06 TO 2006-07)	
	ACTUAL	BUDGET	PROPOSED	\$ Change	% Change
REG INSTRUCTION (1100)					
Salaries	\$163,367	\$175,702	\$184,143	\$8,441	4.80%
Benefits	\$61,799	\$70,258	\$75,891	\$5,633	8.02%
Professional Services	\$6,889	\$8,819	\$8,694	(\$125)	-1.42%
Mileage	\$405	\$1,200	\$1,200	\$0	0.00%
Materials(Supplies)	\$4,123	\$5,753	\$6,325	\$572	9.94%
Books & Periodicals	\$4,049	\$5,113	\$5,830	\$717	14.03%
Software	\$217	\$0	\$1,500	\$1,500	NA
New Equipment	\$2,382	\$4,440	\$1,270	(\$3,170)	-71.40%
Replacement Furniture	\$210	\$500	\$500	\$0	0.00%
KMS & KHS Tuitions	\$373,341	\$370,804	\$393,200	\$22,396	6.04%
Totals	\$616,781	\$642,589	\$678,553	\$35,964	5.60%
SPECIAL EDUCATION (1200)					
Salaries	\$72,272	\$76,764	\$79,601	\$2,837	3.70%
Benefits	\$20,868	\$23,593	\$25,979	\$2,386	10.11%
Professional Services	\$8,026	\$1,000	\$12,122	\$11,122	1112.20%
Materials(Supplies)	\$499	\$800	\$600	(\$200)	-25.00%
Books & Periodicals	\$35	\$400	\$400	\$0	0.00%
Equip/Furniture	\$108	\$200	\$200	\$0	0.00%
Tuition Preschool	\$8,903	\$8,028	\$3,500	(\$4,528)	-56.40%
KMS & KHS Tutorial Services	\$14,886	\$17,057	\$18,456	\$1,399	8.20%
KMS & KHS Tuitions	\$131,956	\$157,118	\$174,457	\$17,339	11.04%
Tuitions Out-of-Dist.	\$207,829	\$197,678	\$132,093	(\$65,585)	-33.18%
Totals	\$465,382	\$482,638	\$447,408	(\$35,230)	-7.30%
ATTENDANCE SERVICES (2110)					
Salaries	\$0	\$50	\$50	\$0	0.00%
Totals	\$0	\$50	\$50	\$0	0.00%
GUIDANCE SERVICES (2120)					
Salaries - Shared Position	\$12,345	\$13,172	\$13,918	\$746	5.66%
Guidance Materials/ Mileage	\$250	\$200	\$300	\$100	50.00%
Eval & Placement	\$1,765	\$6,000	\$4,800	(\$1,200)	-20.00%
Totals	\$14,360	\$19,372	\$19,018	(\$354)	-1.83%
HEALTH SERVICES (2130)					
Salaries	\$2,902	\$4,718	\$5,025	\$307	6.51%
Benefits	\$247	\$395	\$422	\$27	6.84%
Health Supplies	\$306	\$300	\$350	\$50	16.67%
Totals	\$3,455	\$5,413	\$5,797	\$384	7.09%
PSYCHOLOGICAL SERVICES (2140)					
Counseling/Psych Services	\$6,816	\$5,000	\$7,500	\$2,500	50.00%
Totals	\$6,816	\$5,000	\$7,500	\$2,500	50.00%
SPEECH SERVICES (2150)					
Speech Services	\$18,631	\$25,000	\$25,000	\$0	0.00%
Supplies	\$188	\$200	\$200	\$0	0.00%
Totals	\$18,819	\$25,200	\$25,200	\$0	0.00%
STUDENT SERVICES (2160)					
Physical Therapy	\$1,598	\$2,300	\$1,000	(\$1,300)	-56.52%

Occupational Therapy	\$2,512	\$4,525	\$3,125	(\$1,400)	-30.94%
Supplies	\$0	\$0	\$200	\$200	NA
Totals	\$4,110	\$6,825	\$4,325	(\$2,500)	-36.63%
CURRICULUM & STAFF DEVELOPMENT (2210)					
Salaries & Benefits	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
Course Reimbursement	\$0	\$800	\$800	\$0	0.00%
Management Development	\$0	\$1,100	\$1,100	\$0	0.00%
Staff Dev.(Workshops)	\$792	\$2,500	\$3,600	\$1,100	44.00%
Mileage	\$0	\$300	\$300	\$0	0.00%
New Curriculum Materials	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
Totals	\$792	\$4,700	\$5,800	\$1,100	23.40%
MEDIA SERVICES (2220)					
Repairs to Equipment	\$52	\$600	\$1,000	\$400	66.67%
Library Books	\$4,219	\$4,928	\$4,961	\$33	0.67%
Library Supplies	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	NA
Media Membership	\$354	\$324	\$342	\$18	5.56%
Totals	\$4,625	\$5,852	\$6,303	\$451	7.71%
SCHOOL BOARD/SAU (2310/2320)					
Salaries	\$3,882	\$4,775	\$5,025	\$250	5.24%
Benefits	\$303	\$345	\$350	\$5	1.45%
Legal & Audit	\$2,275	\$3,200	\$3,250	\$50	1.56%
Negotiations	\$548	\$0	\$0	\$0	NA
Board/Treasurer Expense	\$1,355	\$1,000	\$1,000	\$0	0.00%
School Board Assoc.	\$1,817	\$1,850	\$0	(\$1,850)	-100.00%
SAU #29	\$41,048	\$40,628	\$54,713	\$14,085	34.67%
Totals	\$51,227	\$51,798	\$64,338	\$12,540	24.21%
SCHOOL ADMINISTRATION (2400)					
Salaries	\$31,303	\$34,315	\$57,618	\$23,303	67.91%
Benefits	\$9,968	\$11,629	\$12,533	\$904	7.77%
Purchased Admin Services	\$0	\$0	\$3,000	\$3,000	NA
Copier	\$0	\$0	\$3,109	\$3,109	NA
Telephone	\$4,110	\$3,000	\$4,000	\$1,000	33.33%
Postage	\$242	\$400	\$400	\$0	0.00%
Staff Mileage	\$591	\$1,500	\$1,500	\$0	0.00%
Office Supplies	\$1,030	\$1,250	\$1,250	\$0	0.00%
Admin Software	\$224	\$460	\$460	\$0	0.00%
Equipment	\$826	\$0	\$500	\$500	NA
Totals	\$48,294	\$52,554	\$84,370	\$31,816	60.54%
BUILDING SERVICES (2600)					
Salaries	\$14,157	\$15,177	\$16,278	\$1,101	7.25%
Benefits	\$7,349	\$8,360	\$9,290	\$930	11.12%
Maintenance Services	\$9,192	\$7,000	\$11,150	\$4,150	59.29%
Bldg Projects/Improvements	\$5,042	\$57,000	\$14,800	(\$42,200)	-74.04%
SMP Insurance	\$4,013	\$4,000	\$4,200	\$200	5.00%
Custodial Supplies	\$2,372	\$2,707	\$2,500	(\$207)	-7.65%
Electricity	\$4,459	\$5,500	\$5,500	\$0	0.00%
Heat	\$8,208	\$9,000	\$10,500	\$1,500	16.67%
Equipment	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	NA
Totals	\$54,791	\$108,744	\$74,218	(\$34,526)	-31.75%
PUPIL TRANSPORTATION (2700)					
Services	\$120,211	\$135,916	\$130,960	(\$4,956)	-3.65%
Totals	\$120,211	\$135,916	\$130,960	(\$4,956)	-3.65%
STAFF SERVICES (2800)					
Physicals/Criminal Checks	\$107	\$660	\$500	(\$160)	-24.24%
Student Loan Reimbursement	\$0	\$1,000	\$1,000	\$0	0.00%

Scholarships	\$500	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
Totals	\$607	\$1,660	\$1,500	(\$160)	-9.64%
OPERATING BUDGET SUB-TOTALS					
	\$1,410,270	\$1,548,311	\$1,555,340	\$7,029	0.45%
TRANSFER FUNDS					
School Lunch	\$10,274	\$4,135	\$8,500	\$4,365	105.56%
Federal Programs	\$0	\$35,000	\$35,000	\$0	0.00%
Expendable Trust (tuition)	\$25,000	\$14,351	\$0	(\$14,351)	0.00%
Capital Reserve (bldg)	\$25,000	\$25,000	\$0	(\$25,000)	0.00%
Totals	\$60,274	\$78,486	\$43,500	(\$34,986)	-44.58%
GRAND TOTALS	\$1,470,544	\$1,626,796	\$1,598,840	(\$27,956)	-1.72%

**MARLOW SCHOOL DISTRICT
2006-2007 PROPOSED BUDGET
Revenue Accounts**

Revenue Accounts	Actual 2004-2005	Budget 2005-2006	Proposed 2006-2007	(2005-06 TO 2006-07)	
				\$ Change	% Change
LOCAL					
Local Property Tax	\$832,181	\$771,930	\$749,783	(\$22,147)	-2.87%
Unreserved Fund Balance	\$55,937	\$39,351	\$50,000	\$10,649	27.06%
Interest Income	\$1,184	\$2,500	\$2,500	\$0	0.00%
Food Services Sales	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	NA
Transfer from Cap. Res.	\$0	\$50,000	\$0	(\$50,000)	-100.00%
Tuition	\$32,166	\$0	\$10,000	\$10,000	NA
Other	\$1,807	\$1,424	\$1,000	(\$424)	-29.78%
Sub-Total Local	\$923,275	\$865,205	\$813,283	(\$51,922)	-6.00%
STATE					
Catastrophic Aid	\$53,050	\$38,552	\$65,360	\$26,808	69.54%
Net Change in Cat Aid	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	NA
Borrowing	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	NA
Medicaid Reimbursement	\$26,607	\$3,000	\$3,000	\$0	0.00%
Shared Revenue	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	NA
Kindergarten Aid	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	NA
Adequacy Grant	\$372,600	\$564,762	\$561,920	(\$2,842)	-0.50%
State Property Tax	\$134,201	\$120,277	\$120,277	\$0	0.00%
Other State	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	
Sub-Total State	\$586,458	\$726,591	\$750,557	\$23,966	3.30%
FEDERAL/SPECIAL					
Federal	\$0	\$35,000	\$35,000	\$0	0.00%
Special Ed	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	NA
Child Nutrition	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	NA
Sub-Total Federal	\$0	\$35,000	\$35,000	\$0	0.00%
GRAND TOTAL	\$1,509,732	\$1,626,796	\$1,598,840	(\$27,956)	-1.72%

Total Budget Decrease -1.72%
School Property Tax Percent Decrease -2.48%
Projected Decrease in Tax Rate (\$0.3248)
Tax Decrease on \$100,000 Home (\$32)

	2004-05	2005-06	2006-07	Projected Decrease
Total School Property Tax	\$966,382	\$892,207	\$870,060	(\$22,147)
Total School Property Tax Rate	\$29.36	\$13.11	\$12.79	\$0.32

REPORT OF SCHOOL DISTRICT TREASURER

FOR THE
FISCAL YEAR JULY 1, 2004 TO JUNE 30, 2005
MARLOW SCHOOL DISTRICT

SUMMARY

Cash on hand July 1, 2004 (Treasurers bank balance)		58,504.43 <small>(minus adj. to prio – Trear of [38.75])</small>
Received from Selectmen (Include amounts Actually received)		
Current Appropriation	966,382.00	
Deficit Appropriation		
Balance of Previous Appropriations		
Advance on Next Year's Appropriations		
Revenue from State Sources	480,190.96	
Revenue from Federal Sources	548.00	
Received from Tuitions	32,166.00	
Received as Income from Trust Funds		
Received from Sales of Notes and Bonds (Principal only)		
Received from Capital Reserve Funds		
Received from all Other Sources	3,989.39	
Total Receipts <small>Adj. due to error in add prio. 2 Trea.</small>	+99.40	
TOTAL AMOUNT AVAILABLE FOR FISCAL YEAR (Balance and Receipts)		1,483,375.75
LESS SCHOOL BOARD ORDERS PAID		1,490,432.75
BALANCE ON HAND JUNE 2005 (Treasurers Bank Balance)		51,408.04

District Treasurer

AUDITORS CERTIFICATE

This is to certify that we have examined the books, voucher, bank statements, and other financial records of the treasurer of the School District of _____ of which the above is a true summary for the fiscal year ending June 30, _____, and find them correct in all respects.

Date: _____ Auditors: _____

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Members of the School Board
Marlow School District
Marlow, New Hampshire

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the Marlow School District as of and for the year ended June 30, 2005 as shown on pages 2 through 4. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Marlow School District's management. Our responsibility is to express opinions on these financial statements based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinions.

Management has chosen not to implement Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statement No. 34, *Basic Financial Statements - and Management's Discussion and Analysis - for State and Local Governments*. Therefore these financial statements are presented following the principles that were in effect prior to GASB Statement No. 34. Management has not presented government-wide financial statements to display the financial position and changes in financial position of its governmental activities and business-type activities. The financial statements presented do not contain separate statements for governmental, proprietary, if applicable, and fiduciary fund types, nor are major and non-major funds separately identified and classified. The financial statements presented report expendable trust funds which should be reported as special revenue funds under the new reporting model. Also, the financial statements do not contain any information on capital assets because the government has not maintained historical cost records of such assets. Management has not presented a management's discussion and analysis as required. The amounts that would be reported in the missing statements and required supplementary information, and the effects of reclassifying and properly reporting the information presented are not reasonably determined.

In our opinion, because of the effects of the matters discussed in the preceding paragraph, the financial statements referred to above do not present fairly, in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, the financial position of the Marlow School District as of June 30, 2005, or the changes in its financial position or its cash flows, where applicable, for the year then ended.

Our audit was made for the purpose of forming opinions on the basic financial statements of the Marlow School District taken as a whole. The combining and individual fund statements are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the financial statements of the Marlow School District. For reasons stated in the third paragraph of this report, we expressed an opinion that the financial statements of the Marlow School District do not fairly present financial position and results of operations in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. Therefore, we do not express an opinion on the accompanying combining and individual fund statements.

September 21, 2005
Plodzik & Sanderson
Professional Association

MINUTES OF 2005 OF MARLOW SCHOOL DISTRICT MEETING

MARCH 16, 2006

The annual school district meeting was called to order at 7:05 p.m. on March 16, 2006, in the John D. Perkins, Sr. School by Moderator Joseph N. Feuer. The flag was saluted. The March 14, 2006, election results were announced as follows: Arthur Andreasen, School Board Members for a three year term; Joseph N. Feuer, Moderator, one year term; Mary Avery, Clerk, one year term; Mary Avery, Treasurer, one year term.

Approximately twenty-two people attended the meeting. Supervisors of the Checklist, Penny Despres and Jeanne Kennedy were present. School Board members Joseph Scharf, Arthur Andreasen, Denise Bennett, and Kenneth Dassau were present. Richard Brewer. Teaching Principal was introduced. Representatives from SAL 29 included: Michele Munson. Superintendent of Schools, William Gurney Assistant Superintendent, and Timothy Ruehr, Business Manager.

The reading of the warrant began.

ARTICLE 1: Motion made and seconded that the District receive the reports of agents, auditors committees or officers chosen, and to pass any vote relating thereto.

Article 1 passed by voice vote.

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Motion restated. Article 4 passed by voice vote.

Article 5: To transact any other b^{us}iness that may legally come before this meeting.

Motion made and seconded to adjourn the meeting at 7:50 p.m.

*Respectfully submitted,
Mary Avery
Marlow School District Clerk
A True Copy Attest*

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT

Focus on student achievement has Marlow students joining their classmates in other SAU 29 schools by participating in the Northwest Evaluation Association pilot testing program during the 2005-2006 school year. NWEA has grown dramatically in recent years as school districts seek a method for measuring individual student progress over time. The computer adaptive tests give students, parents and teachers immediate feedback on student progress and level of performance. Expenses associated with the implementation of these assessments have been paid through an SAU 29 grant.

Over 40 staff members from nine schools in SAU 29 and Winchester Elementary School participated in summer curriculum work in English language arts (ELA), mathematics, and social studies in 2005. The primary focus of the activities in ELA and math was the alignment of SAU 29 curriculum to New Hampshire assessment standards known as Grade Level Expectations (GLEs). This was a continuation of work begun in 2004 seeking to ensure that instruction prepares students for state assessments without diminishing the breadth and quality of the programs provided by our schools.

In 2006, curriculum work will emphasize science, physical education, and health, as well as continued work in social studies with a focus on grades five and six.

Marlow's students at Keene High School and Keene Middle School continue to perform well. This past year, Marlow had 17 students enrolled at the middle school and 43 students enrolled at the high school. These students are taking advantage of a wide range of academic, as well as co-curricular activities. At Keene High School, 62 percent of Marlow's students earned a grade of "B" or better in English. In mathematics, 50 percent earned grades of "B" or better and, in science, 69 percent of the students earned grades of "B" or better.

The Marlow staff has continued its efforts to ensure that the children are offered a well-coordinated and challenging curriculum. The work that went into the implementation of curriculum mapping and Measure of Academic Progress is an example of this collaborative effort. Many have worked hard to broaden their subject area background and/or their skills to meet the needs of each child and to enhance their effectiveness. This has come as a result of their involvement in quality professional development training in areas such as skillful teaching techniques, technology integration, and students with special needs.

The constructive working relationship between the school board and staff continues to promote continuous school improvement. This is facilitated by good communication between the staff and board and by board members' recognition of, and interaction with, the staff. One example of this is the annual school board/staff goal-setting retreat. This activity not only produces a focus around which planning and allocation of resources occurs, but also a dynamic of cooperation and trust.

The Marlow community should be very proud of its school. The improvement that has occurred should not be taken for granted. Continuation of this improvement is highly contingent upon open lines of communication between the home and school and a good understanding of what goes on in the school. Please make the time to visit the school, to attend a school-related activity, or attend a school board meeting. Please be sure to attend the Annual District Meeting on Thursday, March 16, at 7:00 p.m.

Michele L. Munson
Superintendent of Schools

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Our current population is as follows: kindergarten - 10, grade one - 5, grade two - 9, grade three - 12, grade four - 4, grade five - 12, grade six - 6. Total population – 58.

We have had some changes in the staff at the school since last March. Our new speech therapist is Mrs. Lois Sellers. Mrs. Kristine Dow is our Title I aide. Mrs. Beth LaFrenier is now providing lunch for the school. Mrs. Dawn Elliot is our inclusionary aide in grades 5 and 6. Mrs. Sharon Davis is a special education tutor.

We continue to use federal funds to support student learning. Title IIa funds are still available and continue to be used to provide a class size reduction teacher in the afternoon, as well as staff training. At this writing, that position is unfilled. This year REAP grant funds were used to buy supplemental classroom instructional materials. The Title I program has returned, and as aforementioned, we have hired Mrs. Kristine Dow to support children in reading and math.

The P.T.A. continues to be very active, even with a small membership. Through their fundraising efforts they were able to purchase a sign for the front of the school for the purpose of displaying announcements. The sign was installed last November.

New assessment procedures have been adopted by the Marlow School District. Starting this year, we will be assessing students in math, reading, and language usage using the MAP (Measure of Academic Progress) test developed by the Northwest Evaluation Association (NWEA). This is a test taken on computers at the Center for Instructional Resources and Technology Training (CIRTT) in Keene. Our students will take these tests twice a year -- once in the fall to establish a baseline, and once in the spring to measure growth. Additionally, students will also be taking the NECAP (New England Common Assessment Program) test in October to determine Adequate Yearly Progress (AYP) mandated by No Child Left Behind (NCLB).

We continued to make improvements to the property. We have replaced all of the windows with double-pane sealed windows, which will be more energy efficient. We have replaced the boiler and the heating control systems in the school for the same reason. At this time we are scheduling repair/replacement work on our exterior doors, which have become corroded and difficult to open. We are planning, through this budget, to install a ventilation system in the Special Education room, replace the worn kitchen linoleum, replace the kitchen sink, and build a security barrier in the front hallway near the office.

Respectfully Submitted,
Richard Brewer

CHAIR'S REPORT

There have been a number of changes at the John D. Perkins, Sr. School since last year.

The kitchen has been updated with some new appliances and the school now has new windows. In addition, we have a new, more efficient boiler and heating system. Modifications have been made to the zoning (how the heat is distributed) and set back thermostats have been installed. In general, the school seems more comfortable and we hope to see significant savings on our fuel consumption.

Annette Williams was this year's recipient of the Marlow School Board Scholarship. Annette is attending New Hampshire Community Technical College in Claremont.

We have also experienced a number of changes within SAU 29. Michele Munson is our new Superintendent; William Gurney, Assistant Superintendent; James Vezina, Business Administrator; and Paul Cooper, Manager of Personnel Services.

Next year we will see a change in the school staff. As many of you know, our third and fourth grade teacher, Sheila Cowing, has left. We wish her luck in her future endeavors.

Sandy Cunningham, our kindergarten teacher, will be retiring at the end of this school year. Sandy is an enthusiastic teacher and a highly valued employee of this district. She has been inspiring the children of Marlow since the kindergarten program was introduced. To say thank you seems woefully inadequate and, yet, I can think of nothing else to truly express our appreciation. So, on behalf of the Board, the community, and the children, thank you.

Due to the changes in staff and new state mandates, we will also be looking into changing the position of Principal.

At this time I believe we are going to be proposing a budget that is down by approximately 3 percent.

In closing, I would like to thank my fellow Board Members: Art Andreasen, Ken Dassau, Stephanie Tickner, and Denise Bennett. We have accomplished a great deal and still have more much to do in the coming year. Thank you all for your continued support.

Joseph Scharf
Chair, Marlow School Board