

CONTOOCOOK VALLEY SCHOOL DISTRICT
Office of the Superintendent of Schools
106 Hancock Road, Peterborough, NH 03458-1197

EDUCATION COMMITTEE

April 17, 2017
SAU Boardroom
5:30 PM

Minutes

Committee Members:

Crista Salamy - Chair, Linda Quintanilha, Bernd Foecking, Janine Lesser, Pierce Rigrod

Committee Members Present: Crista Salamy, Linda Quintanilha, Bernd Foecking, Pierce Rigrod

Others Present: Dr. Ann Forrest, Kimberly Saunders, Dick Dunning, Myron Steere, Kristen Reilly (5:43), Nicky Fraley, Jim Elder, Kelly Parker

**5:30 Approval of March 20, 2017 Minutes
Election of Committee Chair**

Linda Quintanilha nominated Crista Salamy as Education Committee Chair. Pierce Rigrod second. Unanimous.

Linda Quintanilha moved to approve the minutes of March 20, 2017. Second. Unanimous.

5:35 Communication on Chromebooks and 1:1 Learning Environment

- Monadnock Ledger-Transcript article

A recent article about Chromebooks was shared as informational.

5:40 [IKF – High School Graduation](#)

- Ed 306.27(m) Required Subjects and Credits for High School Graduation
- Follow-up discussion on exploring the possibility of .5 of the 1 required PE credit being fulfilled by participating in a school-sponsored sport

Ann Forrest said that the discussion began with the possibility that participation in an athletic sport fulfill .5 credit for Physical Education of the 1.0 credit requirement. The Department of Education has been contacted to confirm if sports participation can fulfill the .5 credit. Until further contact with the State is made, this should be on hold.

Kimberly Saunders said that we should make decisions independent of the state to assure that students meet the competencies.

Do other schools do this? Kimberly has reached out and several have confirmed they do not but further responses await.

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5:55 Summer Programming at the Middle School

- Focus of Summer Sessions (see attached brochure)

Jim Elder shared a draft summer brochure. This is now a *Summer Adventure Program*. The program will be fun, prevent regression, and allow students to get outdoors and be active.

All students, grades 4 through 7, are invited. The brochures are expected to go out as soon as approval is gained. STEAM is offered at SMS only until staff are more comfortable. The program may rotate from one school to the other every other year. Information will be placed on elementary and middle school websites.

Differentiated instruction will take place in math.

June 2nd is the deadline for sign-up.

Linda Quintanilha moved with enthusiasm and gratitude, that the brochure be approved and distributed Pierce Rigrod second. Unanimous.

6:10 Strategic Plan Update

- Review of relevant components

Components from the Strategic Plan focus areas that are relevant to the Education Committee were pulled and placed in a table and shared.

The math committee has been meeting and reviewing data. Recommendations will be coming to the Education Committee.

SRSD is in the Strategic Plan; all teachers grade 2-4 have been trained. Some first grade training has taken place.

The "Update" column of the table was reviewed (see attached).

Consistent points in time for measurement are important. Measures of assessment may vary from one mechanism to the next i.e. Aimsweb, NWEA, and Common Assessment.

Administration will bring a recommendation for measuring a year's worth of growth to the committee.

Discussion took place about SBAC testing.

The district needs to submit a new Professional Development (PD) Master Plan to the State this year. It is for all certified staff. A master PD Plan for non-certified staff is underway as well. The plan needs Ed Committee approval first, full-board second, and onto the State in June.

Match Curriculum recommendations need to come to the Education Committee as well. Both will come to Education in May; Math Curriculum and PD Plan.

Multi-age/Multi-grade was touched upon. No conclusions from data have been drawn.

The Education Committee has been invited to a SWIFT meeting this Thursday after school at 3:45 at the SAU. Facilitators will be present to further the discussion.

The equity audit may bring points to light that will be uncomfortable. The district should be credited for their intent to look at this data. As an example, the district will look at what they want to do to close the gap in achievement for those with IEP's or those on Free and Reduced Lunch. How change can be affected for all students is the goal.

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The conversation will be evolving over time in phases. Phase I will be a report out of where we are in terms of performance.

Administration will have recommendations to bring forward by the end of June on proposed models for reconfiguration/consolidation.

6:30 Other

Communications Committee Chair for Education – Bernd Foecking.

Motion to adjourn at 6:48 p.m. Second. Unanimous.

Next Meeting: Monday, May 22, 2017 @ 5:30 PM in the SAU Boardroom

Respectfully submitted,

Brenda Marschok