# OFFICE OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS 106 Hancock Road Peterborough, New Hampshire

# CONTOOCOOK VALLEY SCHOOL BOARD

Tuesday, February 3, 2015

School Board Meeting
SAU Office
7:00 p.m.

## **BOARD**

Gary Backstrom, Rich Cahoon, Butch Estey, Tom Ferenc, Joel Green, Jon Ingram, David Martz, Stephan Morrissey, Linda Quintanilha, Pierce Rigrod, Myron Steere, Fiona Tibbetts

#### **ADMINISTRATION**

Dr. Brendan Minnihan, Supt.
Kimberly Saunders, Asst. Supt.
Marian Alese, B.A.
Tim Markley, H.R.
Dr. Rick Matte, Student Services
Ben Loi, PES
Jim Elder, GBS
Amy Janoch, HES
May Clark, DCS
Dr. Ann Allwarden, AES/Pierce
Anne O'Bryant, SMS
Nicola Fraley, FES

1. Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance
Butch Estey called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

# 2. Minutes (Board Vote Required)

a. January 20, 2015

Myron Steere motioned to accept the minutes of January 20, 2015. Gary Backstrom second. Unanimous.

#### 3. Chairman's Recognition Award

Chairman Estey recognized both Ben Loi, PES Principal, and Robin Gregg, Guidance Counselor, for the Chairman's Award for Administrator support staff.

#### 4. Points of Pride

Dr. Minnihan reported on the following Points of Pride:

#### **FES**

As we move in to the third quarter of our school year and complete our mid-year assessments, students at FES have worked incredibly hard to demonstrate their learning and show how much they have grown since the beginning of the school year. Students participated in NWEA, AIMSweb and other common district wide assessments. On the 90th day of school the staff and students celebrated all of their hard work with "Half Day". Everyone came to school creatively representing one half and participated in a number of "half" activities and we had a whole lot of fun.

We have also welcomed four new students to FES, increasing our student body from 61 students to 65!

#### **AES**

The third and fourth graders at AES have had the honor of working with Mike Alberici last week. Mike, a Christa McAuliffe Sabbatical Fellow, visits elementary schools within the state of New Hampshire and

## MISSION STATEMENT

The ConVal Regional School District, in partnership with its member communities, will inspire all learners to achieve academically, contribute to the global community, and thrive as independent and productive citizens.

provides 4-day residencies that "inspire students (and educators) to become mindful listeners, open their ears, and become better communicators." In addition to wowing the students with a vortex cannon and working with students to create a sound map for the school, Mike set up a sound installation in the school's front lobby. Students (and adults) of all ages and grades were invited to play and experiment with a tubulum, an unusual instrument that Mike made out of PVC tubing.

#### 5. Public Comment

None.

# 6. Consent Agenda

## a. List of Registered Board Candidates

It was reported that Linda Quintanilha, Bennington, Myron Steere, Greenfield, Gary Backstrom, Sharon, and David Martz, Temple are all running for open School Board positions. No one has come forward to run for the open Peterborough School Board position. Timothy Clark has declared candidacy for the School District Moderator position. Unless there is a write-in for the open Peterborough School Board position, volunteers will be sought and will be selected by the remaining Peterborough School Board members.

# 7. Superintendent's Report and Presentation of Business

#### a. Personnel

1) Notice of Co-Curricular positions

Tim Markley referenced the notice of co-curricular position.

## b. Monthly Events Calendar

Budget & Property Committee will meet on Tuesday, February 10<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 p.m. at the SAU. Education Committee will meet on Tuesday, February 10<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 p.m. at the SAU.

# c. February 1, 2015 Enrollment Update

Tim Markley referenced the enrollment information included in the packet noting very little change.

#### d. Superintendent Goals Report

Dr. Minnihan shared highlights on his goals.

ATC – the need to align with Running Start and work still needed was discussed.

Dr. Minnihan reported that ten trainings with the Danielson Group will train our evaluators. The system will be loaded electronically.

Discussion took place about differentiated instruction. The evaluation model was shared.

Administrators will be in the classroom much more than in the past at every level.

Rich Cahoon asked for an update, at some point, as to how many people have been evaluated. Confirmed.

Discussion took place about implementing the evaluation model for teachers.

## 8. Reports

## a. Student Representative –River Marmorstein

River Marmorstein, CVHS student, reported that the new semester started last week. In addition, he reported that forty-five students attended Deliberative Session.

#### **b. Teacher Representative** – Gil Morris

None.

## c. Budget & Property Committee – Myron Steere

Myron Steere reported that the last committee meeting discussed Food Service. Options and goals with the continuing of the in-house service program as well as the contract of the potential outsource option were discussed.

# d. Education Committee – Crista Salamy

Rich Cahoon reported that a report on the elementary school report card was shared at the last Education Committee meeting. A quarter based report card will continue. By the third quarter, the report card should be available in Web2School.

In addition, Dr. Matte reported out on the DOE compliance review as to how ConVal is implementing IDEA. The report is available on the website under Student Services.

The technology platform was discussed. Multi-grade vs. multi-age was discussed.

High school enrollment within the next four or five years was discussed and what the school might look like with varying levels of enrollment.

Lastly, the department head model was discussed.

## e. Selectmen's Advisory Committee – Tom Ferenc

Tom Ferenc reported that SAC supported the budget and the collective bargaining unit. Gentle pushback of the \$100,000 allocations in the trust funds was discussed. The atmosphere of these meetings is positive.

## f. District Meeting Part I – Butch Estey

The Warrant Articles will move to the ballot for March 10<sup>th</sup>. It was noted that there was much support at District Meeting.

#### 9. Old Business

#### a. Tuition Rate for Out of District Students

On August 19<sup>th</sup>, 2014, the School Board voted to assign a specific calculation for tuition rates for out of district students. Dr. Minnihan asked if the board would like to continue with this calculation or another. Discussion ensued.

The policy was granted an exemption for private pays on August 19, 2014.

Myron Steere moved to continue with the calculation voted. Rich Cahoon second. Unanimous.

# b. 2<sup>nd</sup> Read/Adoption (School Board Vote Required)

JFAB: Admission and Tuition of Nonresident Students

Tabled.

JFABD: Admission of Homeless Students

Tabled.

# 10. New Business

# a. 1<sup>st</sup> Read Policy

DIB: Trust Funds

JKA: Corporal Punishment

JKB: Detention of Students

The three policies were noted as first read policies.

## b. Submission of Board Officer Declaration

1) Policy BDBA Board Officers

Butch Estey submitted his intent to run for the position of School Board Chairman.

Pierce Rigrod submitted his intent to run for the position of School Board Vice-Chairman.

#### 11. Approval of Manifests (Board Vote Required)

Marian Alese certified that manifests listed totaling \$536,959.67 and Payroll 15 totaling \$1,660,808.23 have been reviewed by her and found to be proper charges against the Contoocook Valley School District for goods and/or services received and have been properly processed prior to their submittal to the School Board.

Myron Steere moved to accept the manifests as read. Gary Backstrom second. Unanimous.

## 12. Non-Public Session: RSA 91-A:3,II (If Required)

Myron Steere motioned to enter into non-public session for matters of personnel at 7:59 p.m. Unanimous on a roll call vote.

Motion to exit non-public at 8:53 p.m. Second. Unanimous.

Myron Steere motioned to seal the minutes of non-public session for 3 years. Second. Unanimous. Linda Quintanilha motioned adjourn at 8:53 p.m.. Second. Unanimous.

Respectfully submitted,

Brenda Marschok