

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

CONTOOCOOK VALLEY SCHOOL BOARD

Tuesday, September 6, 2016
SAU Office

School Board Meeting
Immediately Following Public Hearing

BOARD

Rich Cahoon, Richard Dunning,
Bernd Foecking, Janine Lesser,
David Martz, Stephan Morrissey,
Linda Quintanilha, Pierce Rigrod,
Crista Salamy

Patrick Cogan, CVEA
Maeve Newman, Student Rep.

ADMINISTRATION

Kimberly Saunders, Supt.
Dr. Ann Allwarden, Asst. Supt.
Marian Alese, B.A.
Tim Markley, H.R.
Dr. Rick Matte, Student Services
Brian Pickering, CVHS

1. Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance

Pierce Rigrod called the meeting to order at 7:04 p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

2. Accept School Board Meeting Minutes (Board Vote Required)

a. August 23, 2016

Stephan Morrissey moved to accept the minutes of August 23, 2016. Dick Dunning second. Janine Lesser, Crista Salamy, and Linda Quintanilha abstained. All else in favor. Motion carried.

3. Points of Pride

Kimberly Saunders reported out on various points of pride as reported to her from administrators and shared information about a grant. In addition she shared that ConVal is one of the cooperating organizations with regard to systems of care which will provide wrap around services to students in need. This will provide us with someone on site to coordinate wrap around services.

4. Public Comment

None.

David Martz thanked the board for the plant sent to him after his accident. Pierce Rigrod shared the boards concern during this time and how pleased they were to learn that he would be alright.

5. Consent Agenda

a. Personnel

Tim Markley reported the resignation of Mark Gebo from school counselor at SMS.

Stephan Morrissey moved to accept the resignation as shared. Dick Dunning second. Unanimous.

Discussion took place about what would happen if in the event of a resignation, the board did not accept the resignation.

b. September 1, 2016 Enrollment Update

Tim Markley referenced the September 1st enrollment data. Overall, K-12, we are down 19 students.

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.

c. Board Requests

Kimberly Saunders referenced a board request that was received.

6. Superintendent's Report and Presentation of Business

a. Monthly Events Calendar

The School Board and subcommittee meeting schedule for both September and October was reviewed. No additions were made.

b. Executive Summary

Kimberly Saunders referenced the reports she has been sending to board members.

7. Reports

a. Student Representative- Maeve Newman

Maeve Newman reported that new student day went very well. Girls' Varsity Field Hockey played Oyster River on Friday, and won 2-1. A mini college fair took place recently. Freshmen will elect their class officials on Friday.

b. Teacher Representative – Patrick Cogan

Patrick Cogan reported lots of positive energy in the schools. Clubs have begun, sporting events have begun, and NHD will begin soon. In addition, Mr. Cogan reported that Krystal Morin, along with student chorus, will hike Mt. Monadnock and sing when they reach the summit.

c. School Board Work Session – Pierce Rigrod

Pierce Rigrod reported that the retreat was well organized and a good use of time. Presentations were clear and provided a better understanding of how proficiency will be measured.

The board developed goals and SMART goals. Big take-a-ways have to do with the bond and the ATC. Those at the retreat felt that putting forward a bond at this stage would be difficult to do. There are missing pieces.

The board felt that more work and focus on the ATC is needed before moving forward.

Kimberly Saunders reported that the board feedback was taken back to administrators last week. The Administrators were able to reflect on their goals and adjust accordingly.

d. Communication Committee – Stephan Morrissey

Stephan Morrissey reported that areas where communications was needed were identified.

8. Old Business

a. Bond Discussion

Crista Salamy asked why not move forward with the bond just for the science labs. How did the decision not to move forward with a bond evolve? Pierce Rigrod said that bond passage would be successful if more coordinated rather than go back for multiple bonds.

Kimberly Saunders noted the School Board Goal: Finalize plans for the renovation of CVHS and prepare bond proposal.

Brian Pickering spoke about the NEASC report and the indicator for providing resources for learning with respect to the science labs.

Rich Cahoon shared his view that NEASC is a third party and some school districts do not subscribe to NEASC. Students from those districts still go on to college.

Is curriculum being held back with current science labs? The current science labs are not able to provide the type of science education that needs to be delivered in 2016; they are sub-standard.

The high school is working in conjunction with Hutter Construction about the labs and other needs at the high school that need to be addressed.

Brian Pickering asked the board what they need to know to further the bond discussion. He will provide information needed. The response was that a clear, articulated plan that addresses the physical needs and educational needs at the high school is needed. Should the parking lot be packaged into the bond?

Marian Alese said that information on where we currently are with respect to a proposed bond was scheduled for further discussion at next week's Budget & Property Committee meeting.

b. Report from Primex Facilitated Discussion (Board Vote Required)

Pierce Rigrod reported that two additional meetings will follow with regard to an equity analysis.

Linda Quintanilha moved to accept the report. Stephan Morrissey second. The comment “in order as identified by the Board” was identified to mean that it was the order discussed and not the order of importance or priority. **Unanimous.**

c. 2nd Read Policy/Adoption (Board Vote Required)

- EEAB – Video and Audio Recording for Instructional and Professional Development Purposes

Stephan Morrissey moved to adopt this policy as read. Dick Dunning second. Unanimous.

9. New Business

a. 1st Read Policy

- JBAA – Sexual Harassment – Students

Rich Cahoon referenced this policy for a first read. Send feedback to members of the Policy Committee and copy Kimberly Saunders.

10. Public Comment

None.

11. Approval of Manifests (Board Vote Required)

Marian certified that the manifests listed have been reviewed by her and found to be proper charges against Contoocook Valley School District for goods and/or services received and have been properly processed prior to their submittal to the School Board.

Stephan Morrissey motioned to approve the manifests as read. Dick Dunning second. Unanimous.

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

a. Negotiations

b. Personnel

None.

Linda Quintanilha motioned to adjourn at 7:49 p.m. Second. Unanimous.

Respectfully submitted,

Brenda Marschok