

OFFICE OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

106 Hancock Rd.

Peterborough, New Hampshire

CONTOOCOOK VALLEY SCHOOL BOARD

Tuesday, April 18, 2017

School Board Meeting

7:00 P.M.

SAU Office

BOARD

Rich Cahoon, Richard Dunning,
Bernd Foecking, Jim Fredrickson,
Tom Kelly, Janine Lesser,
David Martz (7:10), Stephan Morrissey,
Linda Quintanilha, Kristen Reilly,
Pierce Rigrod, Crista Salamy,
Myron Steere

Patrick Cogan, CVEA Rep
Lily Denehy, Student Rep.

ADMINISTRATION

Kimberly Saunders, Supt.
Dr. Ann Forrest, Asst. Supt.
Tim Markley, H.R.
Nicky Fraley, FES
Colleen Roy, GES

1. Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance

Myron Steere called the board meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

2. Acceptance of School Board Meeting Minutes (Board Vote Required)

a. April 4, 2017

Stephan Morrissey moved to accept the minutes of April 4, 2017. Dick Dunning second. Unanimous.

3. Points of Pride

Kimberly Saunders shared various Points of Pride as reported to her from administrators.

4. Public Comment

None.

5. Consent Agenda

a. Personnel

1) July 1, 2017 Nominations

Annual to Annual Contract:

Stephan Morrissey moved to approve the nominations of staff listed from annual contract to continue on annual contract.

Dick Dunning reported that he had a question that would require non-public session.

Stephan Morrissey moved to table his motion until after non-public session. Bernd Foecking second. Unanimous.

Special Service Professionals (SSP's):

Mr. Markley reported that SSP's are on annual contracts; are always annual to annual.

Stephan Morrissey moved to approve the nominations of SSP's to continue on annual contract. Dick Dunning second. Unanimous.

Annual to Continuing Contract:

Stephan Morrissey moved to nominate those listed to move from annual contract onto continuing contract. Dick Dunning second. Bernd Foecking abstained. Unanimous.

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.

Continuing to Continuing Contract:

Tim Markley noted that Mark Holding will be removed from this list due to his retirement.

Stephan Morrissey moved the nomination of those on continuing contract to continue on continuing contract. Rich Cahoon second. Dick Dunning, Bernd Foecking, and Crista Salamy abstained. All else in favor. Motion carried.

2) Notice of Stipend Positions

Tim Markley referenced the notice of stipend positions as informational.

3) June 2017 – Retirement – Mark Holding

Linda Quintanilha moved to accept the June 2017 retirement of Mark Holding. Dick Dunning second. Unanimous.

6. Superintendent's Report and Presentation of Business

a. Monthly Events Calendar

The Negotiations meeting previously scheduled for Thursday, April 20th was cancelled.

The start time of the May 9th Budget & Property Committee was changed to 6:00 p.m.

Selectmen's Advisory Committee will meet on Thursday, May 25th at 7:00 p.m. at the SAU Office.

b. Strategic Plan Update

Kimberly Saunders shared a Strategic Plan update. The Strategic Plan has four (4) around student learning and performance, community culture, organization, and operations. The goals are designed to support goal #1. Goal 1 is 28% complete; it is very foundational. Goal 2 is 26% complete, Goal 3 is 17% complete, and Goal 4 is 35% complete. Major accomplishments so far were shared. They included the implementation of SRSD, SWIFT, Substance Abuse Task Force, Middle School Summer Adventures Program, a Financial Equity Study, Educational Equity Study, and hiring and evaluation strides among many others.

Outstanding portions of the plan that are behind were shared as well.

7. Reports

a. Student Representative – Lily Denehy

Lily Denehy reported that a performance of God Spell recently took place. In addition, a mock legislative session for Youth & Government recently resulted in one bill identified as best bill.

Miss Denehy reported that students are leaving for Austria tonight. Band students are traveling to Disney, students are traveling to Spain, and other students are traveling to Nicaragua over spring break.

Advanced Placement Tests are happening two weeks after break. Followed up by Spirit Week and Prom (May 20th).

b. Teacher Representative – Patrick Cogan/Linda Compton

Patrick Cogan reported 8th grade students in Washington, DC this week returning on Friday.

A photographer came in to teach photography to GBS students.

At SMS, Lori Groleau has volunteered her time to work in the greenhouse.

c. Budget & Property Committee – Richard Dunning

Dick Dunning reported a passive solar energy presentation was shared at the most recent Budget & Property Committee meeting. There is a way to go to make this happen in the district.

The Bond was discussed. Reps from the high school will be met with to discuss further. The original estimate will be reviewed and the vision discussed.

Cop Sync is a 911 alert delivery program through the internet rather than a 911 phone call. Next steps will be discussed. Two districts who use the program have been visited. More information to come.

d. ATC Committee – Stephan Morrissey

Stephan Morrissey reported that a committee charge is under development.

e. Strategic Plan Committee – Pierce Rigrod

Pierce Rigrod reported that continued discussion took place about work underway and accomplishments. Models were discussed as well. Weighting criteria for potential consolidation/restructuring models was discussed. The Financial Equity Analysis was discussed. Multi-age, soft borders were touched on. Bond discussion took place as well.

f. Education Committee – Crista Salamy

Crista Salamy reported that PACE, Multi-age, middle school summer adventure program, and high school graduation requirements were discussed at the Education Committee meeting.

8. Old Business

a. Temple Land

Kimberly Saunders reported that the district will not need to sign paperwork related to a claim for land in Temple previously discussed. It is likely taken care of outside of ConVal.

9. New Business

a. 1st Read Policy

JLIE – Student Automobile Use

Rich Cahoon referenced this policy for a first read. It has changed enough to allow it to come for a first read again. Fees are not included in the policy. They were not included in the past policy.

KB – Title I Family and Community Engagement

Rich Cahoon pulled this policy for a first read. It will return for a first read in the future.

b. Fill the Void VPAC Update – Bob Edwards

Bob Edwards, Vice-President for *Fill the Void*, thanked the Board for time on tonight's agenda to share information about the status of this initiative. Mr. Edwards said that this is a wonderful opportunity for the region and for our children.

Mr. Edwards introduced Rob Eichler, President of VPAC. Mr. Eichler reported that they are a 501-3c non-profit. They are able to raise money through private funds. The idea is to provide a new center, a new magnet, which will support arts education and provide a proper venue. It will be a magnet for dance companies in the town. The organization is trying to address a need. It will be attractive to book people interested in performing. Architectural renderings of what the facility could look like were shared. A sight feasibility study has been completed. A geophysical study was performed and determined that the land can hold the weight of such a structure. A timeline was shared. The services of a financial feasibility study are underway. So far, it has been determined that there is a strong desire for this to culminate. If we build it, they will come.

Fundraising events continue to build funds and community gathering.

Bob Edwards said that his charge is to raise \$10 million dollars. Corporate sponsorship will be sought. It is an aggressive goal. Moving forward, communication is important to share accomplishments. Meeting quarterly with the board was asked.

To what extent is the feasibility analysis incorporating the town of Peterborough? Mr. Eichler reported that the Duncan Webb Report is apropos. Three independent recommendations came forward. A collaborative scheduling team will develop to assure equality opportunity to use the facility.

How was 500 seats arrived at? Administration at the high school was met with. Ample space was desired. Will independent programming be run or will space be made available? Education and Arts is one piece, community support to those that need space, and bringing in programming is the third piece.

c. VPAC Memorandum of Understanding Amendment Approval (Board Vote Required)

Rich Cahoon requested that this be tabled for attorney review. Stephan Morrissey second. Unanimous.

d. Research Projects

Kimberly Saunders referenced three (3) research projects (see handout attached). Project #1 was recommended.

Dick Dunning moved to accept Research Project 1 – KSC as presented. Stephan Morrissey second. Unanimous.

Project #2 – Stephan Morrissey moved to accept Research Project 2 – KSC as presented. Dick Dunning second. Unanimous.

Project #3 – Stephan Morrissey moved to accept Research Project 3 – KSC as presented. Dick Dunning second. Unanimous.

An advertisement for accepting out-of-district tuition students was shared. The advertisement listing cost information was shared. "Full-Day K" will be added to the print.

10. Public Comment

Patrick Cogan asked for more information about the tuition. Information was shared.

11. Approval of Manifests (Board Vote Required)

Kimberly Saunders certified that manifests listed totaling \$593,806.76 and Payroll totaling \$848,163.29 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.

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

a. Personnel

b. Negotiations

Stephan Morrissey motioned to enter into non-public session in accordance with RSA 91-A:3,II at 8:10 p.m. Unanimous on a roll call vote.

Motion to exit non-public session at 9:33 p.m. Second. Unanimous.

Stephan Morrissey moved to seal the minutes of this non-public session # 1 for a period of five (5) years. Second. Unanimous.

Stephan Morrissey moved to seal the minutes of non-public session #2 for a period of five (5) years. Second. Unanimous.

Stephan Morrissey moved to seal the minutes of non-public session #3 for a period of two years. David Martz second. Unanimous.

Stephan Morrissey moved to seal the minutes of non-public session #4 for a period of two (2) years. David Martz second. Unanimous.

Stephan Morrissey moved to seal the minutes of non-public session #5 for a period of one (1) year. David Martz second. Unanimous.

Stephan Morrissey moved seal the minutes of non-public session #6 for a period of five (5) years. David Martz second. Unanimous.

Stephan Morrissey moved to grant item #2 on choices; after determination, position will be advertised before hiring from within.

Stephan Morrissey withdrew his motion.

Stephan Morrissey moved to allow for the second option. Prior to making final decision; return to board to discuss final structure and any advertising.

This defines advertising once structure is confirmed. Second. Unanimous.

Linda Quintanilha moved to accept the nominations of those from annual contract to continue on annual contract. Bernd Foecking second. Dick Dunning, Crista Salamy, and Kristen Reilly abstained. Motion carried.

Kimberly Saunders asked if a Business Administrator or Business Manager should be advertised. Stephan Morrissey moved to authorize advertising as the Superintendent sees fit. Second. Unanimous.

Linda Quintanilha motioned to adjourn at 9:41 p.m. Second. Unanimous.

Respectfully submitted,

Brenda Marschok