

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

CONTOOCOOK VALLEY SCHOOL BOARD

Strategic Plan Committee

SAU Office/Boardroom

Thursday, March 15, 2018
6:00 p.m.

AGENDA

School Board Committee Members:

- Pierce Rigrod
- Richard Dunning
- Bernd Foecking
- Jim Fredrickson
- Kristen Reilly

1. Approval of Minutes from February 15, 2018

2. Old Business

- a. Model Questions & Refinements
- b. SAU progress on Questions
- c. RFP for Economic Impacts (housing, etc.)
- d. Community Visioning (Structure and Timeline)
- e. Goal 1 Revisions (continued)
- f. Plan Date Changes (continued)

3. Set April Meeting date for Revision Updates

4. Public Comment

5. Other

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Present: Pierce Rigrod, Richard Dunning, Jim Fredrickson, Kristen Reilly, Janine Lesser, John Jordan, Ed Juengst, Kevin Pobst, Myron Steere (6:35 p.m.)

Pierce Rigrod called the meeting to order at 6:06 p.m.

1. Approval of Minutes from January 11, 2018

Dick Dunning moved to approve the minutes of January 11, 2018. Jim Fredrickson second. Unanimous.

2. New Business

a. Model Questions & Refinements

Pierce Rigrod said that some of the refinements on both models will include numbers. The goal is to arrive at a realistic model with as much information as possible. A tighter look at the financial impact is important. The impact on transportation for one model would result in an increased need for additional buses. Pierce said that he will request a written response on the questions asked.

b. SAU progress on Questions

Pierce Rigrod asked if the SAU is close to completing answers to the questions posed. Ann Forrest said that the goal is to complete a reply by the end of February.

c. RFP for Economic Impacts (housing, etc.)

The NH Center for Public Policy has published (2015) a report on the impact of consolidation on communities. It talks about housing values. Bruce Mayberry is another consultant that might be a possibility to report on the economic impact. Pierce Rigrod will ask for a Request for Qualifications to get the process to go forward.

Dick Dunning moved to submit a Request for Qualifications to get the process moving forward. Kristen Reilly second.

d. Community Visioning (Structure and Timeline)

Pierce Rigrod said that he would like to layout an outreach plan in the communities. A timeline is needed once all of the information is gathered. Speakers for these forums will be decided. A facilitator and a moderator will be needed. Will each community be visited or will they be grouped? The public visioning process should be complete by June.

What are we trying to accomplish with this? People don't come to these meetings. The hope is that people will come out to get a fair view of what each of the two models will and won't provide. Ed Juengst said that projecting what district assessment will look like with each of the models will be important to communicate at these meetings. People need to realize what the cost or the savings will be. Ann Forrest said that we need to think about how we can leverage the use of technology. Creation of a webinar was one possibility. For every live session, the conversation will be dominated. Having it live with the ability to receive feedback will be valuable. There are many options possible for communication. NH Listens has a defined structure to give and receive information.

3. Old Business

a. Goal 1 Revisions (continued)

Ann Forrest shared an update on the progress of Goal 1. A color code was included that are associated with percentages complete (see attached).

Discussion took place about becoming a Blue Ribbon School and the requirements to do so. Is it worth the effort; will we get out of it, more than the work that will be required to put in? Items that might not be pursued will be identified as in "holding pattern" to further consider if they will be pursued. Pierce asked that the items that should be placed on hold be identified.

b. Plan Date Changes (continued)

Covered under 3 a. above.

4. Set April Meeting date for Revision Updates

Model questions, economic impact questions, and maintenance of the plan will inform eventual decision making.

5. Public Comment

None.

6. Other

None.

Motion to adjourn at 6:57 p.m. Second.

Respectfully submitted,

Brenda Marschok