

**OFFICE OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS
Peterborough, New Hampshire**

CONTOOCCOOK VALLEY SCHOOL BOARD

Tuesday, March 20, 2018

School Board Meeting

6:30 P.M.

SAU Office

BOARD

Rich Cahoon, Richard Dunning
Jim Fredrickson, Janine Lesser
Niki McGettigan, Kristen Reilly
Linda Quintanilha, Crista Salamy
Stephan Morrissey, Pierce Rigrod
Myron Steere, Jerome Wilson

Lily Denehy, CVHS Student Rep.
Patrick Cogan, CVEA

ADMINISTRATION

Kimberly Saunders, Supt.
Dr. Ann Forrest, Asst. Supt.
Tim Markley, H.R.
Cari Christian-Coates, Student Serv.
Mindy Ryan, B.A.
Amy Janoch, HES
Colleen Roy, GES

1. Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance

Kimberly Saunders called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

2. Introduction and Swearing in of Returning Board Members

Kimberly Saunders swore in all new and returning board members.

3. Call for Election of Officers – Superintendent

a. Committee Assignments and Requests

Call for the election of officers.

Stephan Morrissey moved to elect Myron Steere as Board Chair, Dick Dunning seconded. Roll call vote in favor of Myron Steere for School Board Chairman. Unanimous. The meeting was then turned over to the newly appointed School Board Chairman.

Myron Steere asked for a roll call vote for Rich Cahoon for the position of School Board Vice Chairman. Unanimous.

Bernd Foecking and Kristen Reilly absent for both votes.

Committees:

Myron Steere asked for Board members to contact him with the committees they wish to serve on. Rich Cahoon listed the committees and noted the addition of the Meal Service Committee. Rich Cahoon also asked for anyone interested in joining the Negotiations Committee and the Budget & Property Committee to contact him or Myron Steere.

4. Non-Public Session: RSA 91-A:3,II

a. Personnel

Mindy and Cari exited at 6:34 p.m.

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.

Stephan Morrissey moved to enter into non-public in accordance with RSA 91-A:3,II at 6:33 PM for personnel. Unanimous on roll call vote. Absent: Bernd Foecking and Kristen Reilly.

Stephan Morrissey moved to exit non-public at 7:06 p.m. Unanimous.

Stephan Morrissey moved to seal the minutes of non-public session as follows: Five (5) years on Personnel. Unanimous.

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

a. March 6, 2018

Stephan Morrissey moved to accept the minutes of March 6, 2018. Dick Dunning seconded. All in favor. Unanimous.

6. Points of Pride

Kimberly Saunders shared Points of Pride, as reported to her by Administrators.

7. Public Comment

None

8. Consent Agenda

a. Personnel

1) Notice of Stipend Positions 2017-2018

Mr. Markley presented information on six stipend position. If you have questions regarding these positions, Mr. Markley will address them.

Superintendent Saunders introduced and welcomed Larry Pimental who is the new Principal at PES.

Stephan Morrissey moved to nominate Larry Pimental for the position of PES Principal.

James Fredrickson seconded. All in favor. Unanimous.

Cari Christian Coates was introduced as the nominated Director of Student Services.

Linda Quintanilha moved to accept the nomination. Janine Lesser seconded. All in favor. Unanimous.

It was announced that there are 15 candidates for the Dir. Of Special Education position.

Michelle Voto, as Principal of CVHS beginning in July, 2019. She will work side-by-side with Mr. West for the 2018-2019 school year, with Mr. West acting as her mentor.

Stephan Morrissey moved to accept the nomination of Michelle Voto. Dick Dunning seconded. All in favor. Unanimous

9. Superintendent's Report and Presentation of Business

a. Lucille Jordan – Nashua Community College

President on Nashua Community College, Lucille Jordan presented on the joint effort of having CVHS become a satellite site of NCC. Ms. Jordan spoke of the plan to work with the District to have a west campus. Business programs, paralegal, general health, and early childhood education will be some of the courses offered. We already have laid the ground work for some of these classes. She is also looking at precision manufacturing for this area and might even have some available equipment to supply to CVHS.

Pierce asked how the programming becomes established.

The goal is to look to businesses and industry for support, as well as community support. How does the community feed back into your decisions? Through our business and industry partners.

Stephan asked if they are looking at weekend classes. Ms. Jordan thinks a Friday/Saturday combo works better than a Sat/Sunday combo.

She is hoping to have several courses in place for the fall semester. Steps to take include the development of an MOU, which will be review by both legal teams (ConVal & NCC).

Once approved we would then go to NEASC for financial aid approval. Ms. Jordan feels we would get an initial approval and then they would come in for a site visit. Then we would submit for financial aid

Stephan Morrissey moved to allow Superintendent Saunders to move forward with this endeavor. Linda Quintanilha seconded. All in favor, unanimous.

James Fredrickson suggested expanding the ATC committee to become involved. Ms. Saunders indicated there is much work to do first.

b. Election Results

The recent election results were shared. All of the articles passed. The budget passed with 65% in favor. All but one town, Greenfield, supported the budget.

Dunning asked if there is a possibility to move the voting date to later in the month, due to the severe weather. Kimberly Saunders indicated this was discussed several years ago. She does not decide. The Secretary of the State of NH makes this decision.

b. Monthly Events Calendar

Strategic Planning: adding time to work on several Goals. Policy and Board meeting will begin 30 minutes earlier for April meetings: Policy 5:30 p.m.; Board meeting 6:30 p.m.

10. Reports

a. Student Representative – Lily Denehy

Lily reported on a number of current student events and activities.

b. Teacher Representative – Patrick Cogan/Linda Compton

Patrick welcomed new hires. Teachers are getting ready for the scholarship work for two seniors. Raffle. Teachers are excited about voting results.

c. Strategic Plan Committee – Pierce Rigrod

Pierce Rigrod discussed the revised Goal #1, RFQ, but running out of time, multi-age information; April 12 meeting putting forward the report that Pierce mentioned. Also bringing new calculations regarding the consolidation model.

d. ATC Committee – Stephan Morrissey

Stephan things are moving along well.

e. Education Committee – Crista Salamy

Kristen: Researching potential classes in Manufacturing.

Study of other post-secondary opportunities.

Explore what is out there for graduates other than a 4-year program? A sharable program. Learned that in sophomore year students are looking at career profiles.

SATs, we offer a 5th Block for SAT preparation. SAT is geometry oriented. Shouldn't sophomores be introduced to geometry during that year, rather than waiting until their Junior year?

Internships: Teachers attached to each student. Crista is proposing that we look at a stipend for those teachers, as there is a lot of work involved and some teachers intern multiple students. She will send her information to Budget & Property for consideration.

Jim Fredrickson: CVHS Science labs; projects are off and running; target out for bids by April. We need to set up a committee to monitor the project. Myron asked for volunteers: Stephan Morrissey, James Fredrickson, and Dick Dunning all expressed interest.

11. Old Business

- a. 2nd Read/Adoption (Board Vote Required)**
- EFAA: Meal Charging

Linda Quintanilha moved to adopt this policy as read (Rich Cahoon confirmed that the strikethrough is not a typo). Stephan Morrissey seconded. Unanimous.

- EFC: Free and Reduced-Price Lunch Policy

Linda Quintanilha moved to adopt this policy as written. Stephan Morrissey seconded. Unanimous.

12. New Business

- a. Set Last Day of School – June 2017**

Based on policy IC, we have flexibility to recommend to follow instructional hours, rather than school days. Ms. Saunders proposed last day of school be June 22, 2018.

Board decision Unanimous.

- b. Set CVHS Date of Graduation:**

Ms. Saunders presented the date of June 16th for the CVHS graduation.

Stephan Morrissey moved to accept the date. Rich Cahoon seconded. All in favor. Unanimous.

One of the discussion that came up revolved around extending the school day. Superintendent Saunders is hesitant to do that, especially for our younger students. She hopes that we can avoid doing so.

- c. Signing of MS22 (Report of Appropriations voted)**

The MS22 was circulated for signing by the Board.

13. Public Comment:

Patrick Cogan raised a question about the high school Leadership model. Ms. Saunders explained the Model and announced an upcoming press release.

Bob Edwards was recognized for being elected as the new ConVal School District Moderator.

14. Approval of Manifests (Board Vote Required): Get numbers.

Mindy Ryan certified that Manifest listed totaling \$535,639.68 and Payroll totaling \$769,897.13 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.

Dick Dunning moved to approve the manifest as read. Stephan Morrissey seconded. Unanimous.

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

- a. Negotiations**
b. Legal

Myron Steere announced a three minutes break before entering into non-public. Cari Christian-Coates and Mindy Ryan exited.

Stephan Morrissey moved to enter into non-public session in accordance with RSA 91-A:3,II at 7:47 p.m. for Negotiations and Legal. Dick Dunning seconded. Unanimous on a roll call vote.

Bernd and Kristen absent.

Stephan Morrissey moved to exit non-public at 8:42 p.m. Dick Dunning seconded. Unanimous. Stephan Morrissey moved to seal the minutes of non-public session as follows: Ten (10) years on negotiations, five (5) years on legal. Unanimous.

Linda Quintanilha motioned to adjourn at 8:43 p.m. Seconded by Stephan Morrissey. Unanimous.

Respectfully submitted,

Carol Hills