

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

CONTOOCOOK VALLEY SCHOOL BOARD

School Board Meeting

**Tuesday, January 8, 2019
SAU #1 Office
Immediately Following Public Hearing**

MINUTES

BOARD

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

Molly Janoch, Marina McMahon, Student Reps.
Asher MacLeod, CVEA

ADMINISTRATION

Kimberly Saunders, Supt.
Dr. Ann Forrest, Asst. Supt.
Tim Markley, H.R.
Mindy Ryan, B.A.
Ben Moenter, Special Ed.
Cari Christian-Coates, Student Serv.
Larry Pimental, PES
Jen Kiley, ATC
Gib West, CVHS
Kathie Morrocco, Pierce

1. Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance

Myron Steere called the meeting to order at 7:37 p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

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

a. December 18, 2018

Stephan Morrissey moved to approve the minutes of December 18, 2018. Dick Dunning second. Unanimous.

3. Points of Pride

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

4. Public Comment

None.

5. Consent Agenda

a. January 1, 2019 Enrollment

Tim Markley referenced January 1, 2019 enrollment information. He noted that South Meadow School had six new students enroll.

b. Personnel

1. Nominations 2018-2019

CVHS Todd Bennett – Student Support Counselor

Stephan Morrissey moved to approve the nomination as read. Dick Dunning second. Unanimous.

2. Notice of Stipend Positions

Tim Markley referenced stipend positions for notification only.

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.

6. Superintendent's Report and Presentation of Business

a. Monthly Events Calendar

The Strategic Plan Committee meeting start time on January 10th was moved to 5:00 p.m.

A Public Hearing was scheduled on Tues., February 19th at 7:00 p.m. for the purpose of discussing a Petitioned Warrant Article to change the Articles of Agreement.

b. Accept Gift/Donations (Board Vote Required)

1. Temple Elementary School requests authorization to accept a gift/donation of \$825.00 from The Ladies Aid Society c/o Lynda Connolly for the purpose of supporting student activities.

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

2. Temple Elementary School requests authorization to accept a gift/donation of \$1,500.00 from Marc Clough for the purpose of supporting field trips.

Stephan Morrissey moved to accept the donation with gratitude. Dick Dunning second. Unanimous.

7. Reports

a. Student Representative – Molly Janoch/Marina McMahon

Marina McMahon reported that Celebration of Learning will be held this Thursday at CVHS beginning at 6:00 p.m.

b. Teacher Representative – Asher MacLeod

Asher MacLeod reported that both the CVEA and School Board have come to an agreement on the collective bargaining agreement.

8. Old Business

a. Budget Discussion

1. Default Budget

Kimberly Saunders asked for any additional direction for the \$1.2M cuts that would be required in the event of a default budget.

Stephan Morrissey moved to ratify the proposed budget of \$48,128,007.00. Rich Cahoon second. Unanimous.

Stephan Morrissey moved to ratify the default budget figure of \$46,878,781.00. Dick Dunning second. Unanimous.

2. Finalize Warrant

Article 02 - **Rich Cahoon moved to make the recommendation of Article 02. Stephan Morrissey second. Unanimous.**

Article 05 – **Rich Cahoon moved to designate it a Special Warrant Article. Stephan Morrissey second. Unanimous.**

Stephan Morrissey moved to be in favor of this warrant article in terms of a recommendation. Dick Dunning second.

In favor: Kristen Reilly, Crista Salmay, Dick Dunning, Jerry Wilson, Jim Fredrickson, Stephan Morrissey

Opposed: Janine Lesser, Pierce Rigrod, Niki McGettigan, Bernd Foecking, Rich Cahoon

Discussion took place about the requirements to put a recommendation on the ballot. The belief was that the distinction is that funds need to be appropriated.

Rich Cahoon read the RSA that designates a special warrant article. Therefore, a recommendation on article 03 can be made.

Unanimous as a result.

Article 04 - Rich Cahoon said that the board could vote on a recommendation, if it is legal, on Article 04. Legal can tell us what the requirements are.

Stephan Morrissey moved to designate it as a special warrant article and to recommend it if it is legal. Dick Dunning second.

Jim Fredrickson said that the board is divided.

Rich Cahoon said that the board would need to vote displaying the board count on the ballot.

Rich said that if the counts can be put on for others we will do the same for this. Confirmed.

Restated: do we recommend putting a recommendation on article 04?

Rich further said that when the board voted to put it on, we recommended it.

Rich Cahoon moved to recommend Article 04. Dick Dunning second.

In favor: Janine Lesser, Dick Dunning, Jerry Wilson, Stephan Morrissey, Rich Cahoon, Kristen Reilly

Opposed: Crista Salamy, Pierce Rigrod, Jim Fredrickson, Bernd Foecking, Niki McGettigan

Motion carried.

Rich Cahoon moved to put the counts on the ballot. Pierce Rigrod second.

In favor: Rich Cahoon, Pierce Rigrod, Janine Lesser, Crista Salamy, Kristen Reilly, Jim Fredrickson, Bernd Foecking, Niki McGettigan

Opposed: Stephan Morrissey, Dick Dunning

Motion passes.

Articles 06-09 - all include appropriations.

Stephan Morrissey moved to approve and recommend Articles, 06, 07, 08, and 09. Dick Dunning second. Unanimous.

Kimberly Saunders said that these would be funded in the way that they appear on the ballot. She recommended moving the Special Education Trust to 06 and others down.

Stephan Morrissey moved to move the Appropriation to Special Education Trust up to become Article 06. Building Reserve would become Article 07.

Dick Dunning second. Unanimous.

Article 11- School Board Salaries

Stephan Morrissey moved to recommend this article. Rich Cahoon second. Unanimous.

Article 12 – Rich Cahoon said that the board can vote on petitioned articles

Stephan Morrissey moved not to recommend this petitioned warrant article.

Jerry Wilson second.

Does the board recommend Article 12?

Rich Cahoon said that it does not change the Articles of Agreement and it only has an affect this year. The board would have done this anyway.

Jim Fredrickson said that he is for some form of consolidation and is in favor of this.

Unanimous.

Article 13 – Petition Warrant Article to prepare a detailed proposal by December 1, 2019.

Rich Cahoon moved to recommend this article.

Crista Salamy second.

Bernd Foecking said that we tasked administration to provide plans. This plan was not one of them, therefore, he said that he cannot vote in favor of this.

Rich Cahoon said that as phrased, it is advisory. It does not change the Articles of Agreement. This monopolizes administration's time. There never was a plan to put sixth grade back to elementary schools.

In favor: Jim Fredrickson

Opposed: all others

Motion failed.

b. 2nd Read/Adoption Policies (Board Vote Required)

- BEC: Non-Public Sessions
- BEDG: Minutes
- BHC/GBD: Board-Employee Communications
- CHCA: Approval of Handbooks and Directives
- JFAB: Admission and Tuition of Nonresident Students

Rich Cahoon reporting have received no input on these policies after the first read.

Stephan Morrissey moved to adopt these policies as presented. Rich Cahoon second. Unanimous.

9. Public Comment

Bob Edwards, Antrim, said that those present tonight could not compare what was discussed in terms of the warrant ccompared to the last time it was discussed. Copies would be appreciated.

Alan Edlekind, Dublin, asked about the board vote on the petitioned warrant articles. Will they still be placed on the warrant? It was confirmed that the recommendations will be on the warrant.

10. Approval of Manifests (Board Vote Required)

Mindy Ryan certified that manifests listed totaling \$874,364.11 and payroll totaling \$2,784,172.66 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.

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

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

- a. Negotiations**
- b. Personnel**
- c. Legal**

Stephan Morrissey moved to enter into non-public in accordance with RSA 91-A:3,II for matters of negotiations and personnel at 8:21 p.m. Unanimous.

Stephan Morrissey motioned to exit non-public session at 9:40 p.m. Dick Dunning second. Unanimous.

Stephan Morrissey motioned to seal the minutes of non-public session on negotiations for a period of five years and to seal the minutes of personnel in perpetuity.

Rich Cahoon second.

Unanimous.

Stephan Morrissey moved to accept the CVAA Agreement. Rich Cahoon second. Bernd Foecking abstained. All else in favor. Motion carried.

Stephan Morrissey motioned to adjourn at 9:41 p.m. Dick Dunning second. Unanimous.

Respectfully submitted,

Brenda Marschok