

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

CONTOOCOOK VALLEY SCHOOL BOARD

Communication Committee Meeting

SAU #1 Board Room

Monday, May 20, 2019

7:00 p.m.

Minutes

Committee Members:

- Niki McGettigan, Chair
- Bernd Foecking
- Janine Lesser
- Kristen Reilly

Present: Niki McGettigan, Bernd Foecking, Janine Lesser, Kristen Reilly, Rich Cahoon, Jim Fredrickson, Kimberly Saunders

1. Call to order

Niki McGettigan called the meeting to order at 7:13 p.m.

2. Accept minutes of April 15, 2019

Bernd Foecking moved to accept the minutes of April 15, 2019 as presented. Niki McGettigan second. Kristen Reilly abstained. All others in favor. Motion carried.

3. Report out on School Board Coverage/Communications of Past Month

Niki McGettigan reported communication in the Monadnock Ledger Transcript on various topics.

4. Review Assignments (Goals, Handouts, Etc.)

- Suggestions by Communications Committee to improve

Niki McGettigan noted information that she has shared with the committee in Google Drive. Please review and give Niki input.

5. Assign New Work/Pieces to be Completed Prior to June Meeting

- White Paper on School Funding or Other (Janine)

Janine Lesser will begin work creating a white paper on school funding. Not about the lawsuit, but more an explanation of how education is funded.

Reaching Higher NH and NHPR has done some good work on this topic; we might use their resource rather than recreate.

- Celebrations of ConVal's successes over past year (Kristen)

Celebrating accomplishments is important; a reflection piece might be generated.

- Lawsuit Ongoing Communications (on hold)

Discussion took place about the time-line on this topic. More to come within a week.

Discussion took place about the Town of Peterborough Warrant Article that spoke about the renegotiation of the Articles of Agreement. Any change to the Articles of Agreement have to go through the Legislative body requiring 2/3's vote to pass.

A letter will be asked for development from legal.

- Write-Ups from Committee Work for Website

Niki directed the committee to the "View All" function for news on the ConVal website.

No new news on the ConVal Lawsuit was reported.

- Brainstorm Pieces Needed to Work on During Summer

Talking about the work that will take place over the summer with facilities might be shared.

- Plan for Next Year

Developing the "ConVal School Board's Communication Guide" for 2019/2020 is needed.

Thornton Wilder Center was discussed as potential for future communication.

The Technology Plan would be a communication topic. Discussion took place about technology use at the elementary level.

6. Other

None.

Niki McGettigan motioned to adjourn at 8:04 p.m. Janine Lesser second. Unanimous.

Respectfully submitted,

Brenda Marschok