

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

CONTOOCOOK VALLEY SCHOOL BOARD

Tuesday, June 4, 2019

**School Board Meeting
Immediately Following Public Hearing
SAU Office**

MINUTES

BOARD

Rich Cahoon, Jim Fredrickson,
Janine Lesser, Stephan Morrissey,
Linda Quintanilha, Kristen Reilly,
Crista Salamy, Myron Steere,
Jerry Wilson

Molly Janoch/Marina McMahon, Student Reps.

ADMINISTRATION

Dr. Kimberly Saunders, Supt.
Tim Markley, H.R.
David Jack, B.A.
Fabi Woods, TES
Ben Moenter, Special Ed.
Cari Christian-Coates, Student Serv.

1. Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance

Myron Steere called the meeting to order at 7:12 p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited at the start of the Public Hearing.

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

a. May 21, 2019

Stephan Morrissey moved to accept the minutes of May 21, 2019. Rich Cahoon second. Linda Quintanilha and Crista Salamy abstained. All others in favor. Motion carried.

3. Approval of Manifests (Board Vote Required)

David Jack certified that two manifests totaling \$323,168.19 and \$368,32.89 and Payroll totaling \$1,968,512.03 has been reviewed by him 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. Janine Lesser second. Unanimous.

4. Points of Pride

Dr. Kimberly Saunders reported out on various Points of Pride as reported to her by administrators.

5. Public Comment

None.

6. Consent Agenda

a. Personnel

1) Nominations- July 2019

Tim Markley referenced an addendum to the personnel agenda which included the nominations of Bethany Cooper, Ashley Riendeau and Dallis Austin.

Stephan Morrissey approved the nominations as read. Janine Lesser second. Unanimous.

2) Resignations- June 2019

Stephan Morrissey approved the resignations of Rebecca Picard-Snow, Randy Manni, and David Springfield as read. Janine Lesser second. Unanimous.

3) Nominations – Supplemental- July 2019

Stipend positions were noted for notification purposes.

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.

June 1st enrollment information was shared both current and projected.

7. Superintendent's Report and Presentation of Business

a. Monthly Events Calendar

No changes were made to the monthly calendars for June and July.

b. Expenditure Report – David Jack

Dave Jack reported that \$1.7M looks to be available in the current budget. Salaries still need to be encumbered. A balance of \$1.2-\$1.4M is hoped to give back. \$281,000 was committed to give back due to additional salaries.

Tim Grossi has a request in; \$55,000 in two lines is being requested for transfer to pave a section of PES and install curbing to prevent water runoff. In addition, resetting a curbing and basins was requested at GBS.

Stephan Morrissey moved to authorize the transfer of those funds \$50,327 for the purposes outlined. Janine Lesser second.

Mr. Jack qualified that this does not impact the anticipated year-end balance.

Jim Fredrickson confirmed that this has not been discussed during capital improvement and budget discussion.

Rich Cahoon asked if we are not authorizing Mr. Grossi to get these quotes.

Dave said that he is asking to get authorization to get the transfers from snow plowing (Line 422) to (Line 430) Repairs at both PES and GBS.

When will work be done; it will result in an encumbrance that will carry forward to 19/20.

Rich Cahoon abstained. All else in favor. Motion carried.

Dr. Saunders asked that general assurances be signed to assure that the district receives \$1.2M dollars in federal grant dollars for programs that we participate in.

Stephan Morrissey moved to authorize the chairman, Myron Steere, to sign the general assurances. Jerry Wilson second. Unanimous.

Rich Cahoon said that he is interested in three numbers; how much we spend at SMS on electricity, water at CVHS, sewer at CVHS.

Kimberly Saunders asked that the board sign the public school infrastructure document.

8. Reports

a. Student Representative – Molly Janoch/Marina McMahon

Kimberly reported that Molly Janoch has been one of the school board student representative this year and presented her with a gift of thanks for her volunteerism.

Marina McMahon reported that school records were made this past week in athletics. Finals and marching practice are underway. Celebration of Learning was a success, Class elections, Pops Concert, and graduation this Saturday.

b. Teacher Representative – Asher MacLeod

None.

c. Selectmen's Advisory Committee- Bernd Foecking

John Jordan reported discussion on broad band in the area and the potential for a collaboration of purchase. School funding was discussed; he said towns are reaching the crisis point with taxes. The study on consolidation was discussed.

d. Food Service Committee – Linda Quintanilha

Linda Quintanilha reported that one response to the Food Service RFP was submitted.

9. Old Business

a. Food Service Bid Award (Board Vote Required) – David Jack

David Jack said that we received one response to the bid process; Café Services. Bid is for a five-year period; a series of five one year bids. Only obligated for one year at a time. Mr. Jack proposed to the board that allows him to move forward with the formulation of contract. Concord will review. Conditions have all been spelled out. A vote of the Board on June 18th on the signed contract will be asked.

Motion for district to negotiate contract. Financials are approximately \$10K more. Nice report from Michael Onorato was received at the Food Service Committee meeting. Focus on breakfast is moving forward to increase revenues. Cost cutting measures are under discussion.

Linda Quintanilha moved to allow administration to negotiate a contract. Stephan Morrissey second. Contract will come forward for a vote on June 18th. Unanimous.

b. Universal Preschool Discussion – Cari Christian-Coates/Ben Moenter

Preschool for all would mean students in the district, through a sliding scale, would have access to a full-day preschool program of quality. Leveraging preschool to help develop more equitable access to preschool is the goal. Scaling up

what we presently have in addition to adding a social worker is part of the proposal. Total costs are about \$500K; scaling up current program would increase it by \$228K. This does not include the sliding scale; this is if it were provided for free. Phase II, total cost would be \$1.3M. Cost savings and additions were discussed. Need for speech pathologist and COTA are potential costs that would be added. Reimbursement from the State might be possible but unknown at this time.

Myron Steere asked in the current program, requirements are required for typical and non-typical students would remain? Kimberly did not see a problem meeting thresholds.

Kimberly said that work with present preschool staff to look at program would take place, transportation would be investigated. This could not be implemented this fall. An additional year of planning would be needed should this move forward.

How many hours a week would students be at school? Kimberly said that this report is to provide implications. A program has not been developed yet.

Looking at the length of the day, and potential extension of daycare was cited.

Rich Cahoon said that a narrow scope of what preschool is offered here. The board is being asked if they approve the scope. Rich said that this is being done in a lot of places. One of the costs of the small schools is not doing things that we would have done. This is going to cost money. We would be doing this if our cost per pupil was less.

What is the number of 3 and 4 year olds associated with current program?

Is the social worker certified for case management? No, they would not be certified for case management. It is about home visits to help families enroll in preschool.

Kimberly said that she is looking for a sense of the board to continue work looking at programming. A solid scope of proposal for November would be the goal. Rough income data was asked.

Stephan Morrissey moved for administration to further develop this proposal. Jerry second. Unanimous.

There will not be a proposal for a preschool in every building.

Cari Christian-Coates asked that board members send exact questions they might have to Cari, Ben, and Kimberly.

c. Policy EEAG Discussion and Potential Waiver

Kimberly reported that PRIMEX felt confident enough with the relationship between Peterborough and the district, an insurance certificate has been provided. No waiver needed.

d. 2nd Read/Adoption Policy (Board Vote Required)

- ADB/GBEC: Drug-Free Workplace & Drug-Free Schools

- JLD: School Guidance and Counseling Program

Rich Cahoon moved to adopt the policies as presented. Linda Quintanilha second. Unanimous.

10. New Business

a. 1st Read Policy

- IKF: High School Graduation

Rich Cahoon reported this for a first read which incorporates changes regarding math at the high school. Direct questions to board.

11. Public Comment

Universal preschool was brought up at regional committee to bring in families and avoid consolidation.

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

a. Personnel

b. Negotiations

c. Legal

Stephan Morrissey moved at 7:53 p.m. to enter into non-public session for matters of personnel and negotiations. Unanimous on a roll call vote.

Linda Quintanilha moved to exit non-public session at 8:54 p.m. Stephan Morrissey second. Unanimous.

Stephan Morrissey moved to seal the minutes of non-public session for a period of ten years. Unanimous.

Linda Quintanilha motioned to adjourn at 8:54 p.m. Jerry Wilson second. Unanimous.

Respectfully submitted

Brenda Marschok