

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

CONTOOCOOK VALLEY SCHOOL BOARD

Communication Committee Meeting

Thursday, January 13, 2022

6:30 p.m.

Physical Location: SAU 1 Board Room

Minutes

Committee Members:

- Keira Christian
- Alan Edelkind, Co-Chairperson
- Jim Fredrickson
- Janine Lesser, Co-Chairperson
- Liz Swan

Present: Alan Edelkind, Janine Lesser, Keira Christian, Jim Fredrickson, Liz Swan, Dr. Kimberly Saunders

1. Call to Order

Janine Lesser called the meeting to order at 6:33 p.m.

2. Approve Minutes – December 9, 2021

Alan Edelkind moved to approve the minutes of December 9, 2021. Liz Swan second. Unanimous.

3. Logistics of the Community Forum

- The Moderator will control the flow of the meeting.
- Q&A from in house people present and then Q&A from the livestream audience through email will be responded to.
- Screening of questions by board members will take place.
- Two people, Liz Swan and Keira Christian, will screen the email and pass it on for a response.
- Putting the question on the monitor so those present can see the question was suggested.
- Multiple questions on the same topic with similar language will be melded into one question and handed to the moderator.
- Keira and Liz will work out the details on how best to pull this off.
- The YouTube Livestream link is in place.
- School Board members and administration will be sitting in the front of the audience.

A second communication on the forum will be released next week. It will detail the agenda and format. Alan Edelkind will work on it and share it with the committee. The email address will be included in the release to submit questions during the format.

There will be no daycare as a result of the start time of the meeting and no one taking advantage of the offer last time.

Police detail will be hired. The overflow room will not be needed.

The forum will be split into two 45-minute segments to send the message that more than one topic will be discussed. Budget, Q&A, and then Pre-K, Q&A.

A half hour for each of the three speakers was decided. An hour for two budget related speakers and a half hour for Pre-K.

Tim Theberge will be the Moderator.

Should the presentations be received in advance for review? Jim Fredrickson will share his piece and expressed interest in seeing what Katherine Heck will share in advance.

Jim referenced the budget process and tax bills among others for budget topics.

Jim shared his presentation to allow the committee to get an idea of what to expect.

Jim further suggested having those interested in coming to be encouraged to read the financial article.

4. Firming up the list of communications on the budget pre-deliberative and vote

The Community Forum is on January 25th. The Press Release and ConVal News will facilitate sharing of information.

Janine Lesser said that a piece for local newsletters and the newspaper is needed to rally the troops about Deliberative Session and the March vote. Janine agreed to write that.

Jim Fredrickson reported that he has several financial articles to distribute. The Collective Bargaining Agreement, Operating Budget and Default, Trust Funds, and other non-budget warrant articles were among them.

Discussion took place about the mailer and the warrant articles.

Having the warrant articles available at the forum will be possible.

Laying out what the petition warrant article means and the true cost associated needs discussion.

Keira Christian exited the meeting at 7:30 p.m.

5. Tabling any activity on the videos for a while

- Top 10 things about the budget.
- Teacher's Contract
- Education Funding

6. Other

None.

Liz Swan motioned to adjourn at 7:37 p.m. Jim Fredrickson second. Unanimous.

Respectfully submitted,

Brenda Marschok