

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

CONTOOCCOOK VALLEY SCHOOL BOARD

School Board Meeting

**Tuesday, May 3, 2022
7:00 p.m.**

Physical Location: SAU #1 Board Room

Livestream Link: <https://www.youtube.com/c/ConValEvents>

Minutes

BOARD

Tom Burgess, Keira Christian,
Richard Dunning, Alan Edelkind,
Greg Kriebel, Janine Lesser,
Crista Salamy, Liz Swan,
Tim Theberge, Stephen Ullman

ADMINISTRATION

Dr. Kimberly Saunders, Supt.
Dr. Ann Forrest, Asst. Supt.
Lori Schmidt, B.A.
Carrie James, H.R.
Ben Moenter, Special Ed.
Larry Pimental, PES
Tim Conway, SMS
Colleen Roy, GES
Kat Foecking, GBS
Heather McKillop, CVHS
Beth Gibney, Pierce/FES

1. Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance

Tim Theberge called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

2. Points of Pride

Kimberly Saunders shared various points of pride as reported to her by administrators.

3. Student Representative – Abby Kamieniecki

None.

Tim Theberge reported that the board does not have a policy requiring a Student Rep to the board. Other districts do.

Dick Dunning moved to have a student representative on the ConVal School Board. Alan Edelkind second.

Dick confirmed that this was for the 2022-2023 school year.

Tim Theberge said that this authorizes the student representative to participate in meetings.

Unanimous.

4. Public Comment

None.

5. Consent Agenda

a. Acceptance of School Board Meeting Minutes

1) April 19, 2022

b. Personnel

1) Leave of Absence 22/23 School Year
2) Resignation

Leave positions will be filled with a one-year contract.

The Consent agenda was adopted as presented.

6. Superintendent's Report and Presentation of Business

a. Monthly Events Calendar

Updates were made to the May and June calendars to include a time change for the May 19th and June 16th Strategic Plan Committee to begin at 5:30 p.m. rather than 7:30 p.m. Equity Committee will meet on May 24th at 5:30 p.m. The

Policy Committee will not meet on June 21st and Education Committee will meet on June 13th rather than June 20th at 5:30 p.m.

Dr. Saunders asked about July meetings. Typically, one board meeting is scheduled in July and no subcommittee meetings. July 19th was the preferred meeting date. Strategic Plan will meet as well TBD.

b. School Board Requests

Kimberly Saunders said that she has several requests pending related to the website and preschool.

c. NEASC Letter

Kimberly Saunders referenced a letter that commends the high school for items they have been working on since the last report.

Tim Theberge reported that CVHS was recently ranked 20th in the State of NH. Tim noted that CVHS was the highest ranked in this area of the state.

7. Reports

a. Teacher Representative – Cheryl Jessie

None.

b. Policy Committee – Crista Salamy

Crista Salamy reported having met tonight. Several policies come for a first read. One policy will be marked as reviewed. EHAC will be brought forward after further review. This will go to administration.

c. Communication Committee – Janine Lesser/Alan Edelkind

Alan Edelkind reported that on three areas; logistics, technology, and venue, all are going well. Four communications will be sent out related to the public forum on May 12th. The email account to submit questions and communication is set up, presentations are coming along well. The write-up previews are going well with one remaining. Alan thanked everyone for their work on this.

d. Strategic Plan Committee – Tim Theberge

Tim Theberge reported on two meetings. He thanked board members and administration for their work that brought them to five priority areas. Work will continue. The committee has looked at several design ideas. Of interest, was the Baltimore School District format.

e. Selectmen's Advisory Committee – Tim Theberge

Tim Theberge reported that discussion on the budget, preschool, and consolidation occurred.

8. Old Business

a. Legislative Update

Tim Theberge reported that the requirement to hold public comment periods was shared. Our policy would require change. HB1195 goes to the floor this week.

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

- DK: Payment Procedures

Stephen Ullman moved to adopt this policy as presented. Dick Dunning second. Unanimous.

- DAF: Administration of Federal Grants

Stephen Ullman moved the adoption of Policy DAF. Dick Dunning second. Tim Theberge abstained. All others in favor. Motion carried.

9. New Business

a. 1st Read Policy

- DID: Fixed Assets
- FA: Facilities Development Goals/Priority Objective
- FAA: Annual Facility Plan
- FE: Facilities Construction
- GBCD: Background Investigation and Criminal Records Check
- JLCJA: Emergency Plan for Sports Related Injuries

The above six policies are for a first read. Please send comments or questions to Crista Salamy or Kimberly Saunders.

b. Accept Gift/Donation (Board Vote Required)

- 1) Peterborough Elementary School requests authorization to accept from PES PTO, the following

donation of an outdoor basketball hoop valued at \$1,400.00 for the purpose having a better outdoor basketball option for students.

Greg Kriebel motioned to accept the donation as presented. Dick Dunning second. Unanimous. Thank you to the PES PTO for this donation.

c. Memorials & Facility Naming

Tim Theberge said that ConVal does not currently have a policy covering this. The decision to allow various plaques is left to administration. There are policies in existence that cover this. There is a related policy related to memorials. There is a request for such a naming at Peterborough Elementary School.

Kimberly Saunders said that she would like a policy to be in place regarding naming.

Dick Dunning said that it is great to want to recognize staff members for their dedication. A policy should be in place first. There are so many people who are deserving of recognition. Dick Dunning said that he did not support doing anything absent a policy in place.

Stephen Ullman said that there is a distinction between naming after a living person or after one has passed.

Tim Theberge said that he will inform the PES staff that the board would not be in a position to confirm this request absent a policy. It can be revisited after a policy is in place.

The New Hampshire School Board Administration (NHSBA) sent boards an email calling for resolutions. Annually, there are resolutions that are proposed that are voted for adoption or not. Board members may draft resolutions for consideration. Please send any proposals to Katherine Heck and Tim Theberge.

10. Public Comment

None.

11. Approval of Manifests (Board Vote Required)

Lori Schmidt certified that manifests listed, totaling \$1,049,344.39, 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 manifests as shared. Greg Kriebel second. Unanimous.

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

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

Janine Lesser moved to enter into Non-Public Session at 7:35 p.m. for matters of negotiations and legal. Dick Dunning second. Unanimous.

Greg Kriebel moved to exit Non-Public Session at 8:37 p.m. Dick Dunning second. Unanimous.

Janine Lesser motioned to seal the minutes of Non-Public Session for a period of 5 years. Liz Swan second. Unanimous.

Stephen Ullman motioned for the School Board Chairman to form 4-person ad hoc committee made up of Alan Edelkind, Crista Salamy, and Tim Theberge as discussed. Keira Christian second. Unanimous.

Liz Swan motioned to direct the School Board Chairman to execute the compensation of the Superintendent as discussed in non-public session.

Stephen Ullman second. Crista Salamy abstained. All others in favor. Motion carried.

Stephen Ullman motioned to adjourn at 8:39 p.m. Dick Dunning second. Unanimous.

Respectfully submitted,

Brenda Marschok