

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

CONTOOCCOOK VALLEY SCHOOL BOARD

School Board Meeting

**Tuesday, November 1, 2022
7:00 p.m.**

Physical Location: SAU #1 Board Room

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

Minutes

BOARD

Tom Burgess, Richard Dunning,
Alan Edelkind, Jim Fredrickson,
Katherine Heck, Greg Kriebel,
Janine Lesser, Crista Salamy,
Doug Sutherland, Liz Swan,

Katherine Craig, Student Rep.

ADMINISTRATION

Dr. Kimberly Saunders, Supt.
Dr. Ann Forrest, Asst. Supt.
Lori Schmidt, B.A.
Cari Christian-Coates, Student Serv.
Carrie James, H.R.
Stephanie Syre-Hager, AES
Tim Conway, SMS
Heather McKillop, CVHS

1. Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance

Janine Lesser called the meeting to order at 7:03 p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

2. Points of Pride

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

3. Public Comment

None.

4. Consent Agenda

a. Acceptance of School Board Meeting Minutes

1) October 18, 2022

b. Personnel

1) Retirement – June 2023

- Amy Janoch, District Learning Recovery
- Lisa Carne, CVHS, English Teacher

2) 2022-2023 Co-Curricular Notifications

Katherine Heck asked if all of the fall co-curricular notifications have been come before the board. Kimberly agreed to verify.

Dick Dunning asked if the buyback days for the retirees will be incorporated into next year's budget. Carrie James said that work is underway on that topic.

5. Superintendent's Report and Presentation of Business

a. School Board Requests

Kimberly reported being up to date on School Board Requests.

b. Monthly Events Calendar

The November 5th School Board Budget Work Session was moved to November 12, 2022 beginning at 8:30 p.m.

c. November 1st Enrollment Update

November 1st Enrollment was reviewed.

d. November 5th Budget Work Session Agenda

The proposed agenda for the now November 12th meeting was referenced.

6. Reports

a. Student Representative – Katherine Craig

Katherine Craig reported on exciting sports news; Varsity Boys' Soccer won in a double overtime game this past weekend. Volleyball had a quarter final game and lost but there was a great effort. Football wrapped up this past weekend. Kendall Sullivan was named Keene Sentinel Player of the Week. Fifteen students were recognized for their good work with Advanced Placement Exams. The Agatha Christie play "And Then There Were None" will be performed this upcoming weekend. The Holiday Craft Fair is on Saturday, November 19th. Planning is underway for the winter formal the "Snowball".

b. Teacher Representative

None.

c. Communication Committee – Alan Edelkind

The Communication Committee did not meet formally due to a lack of quorum. Alan Edelkind provided an update on the Community Forum scheduled on November 10th (see attached).

Presentations on the Strategic Plan, Upcoming Events, and Renovations will be shared. It will be followed by an open Q&A. Twenty-one people responded that they will attend in person to date.

Alan Edelkind thanked everyone involved in making this happen.

d. Selectmen's Advisory Committee- Janine Lesser

Janine Lesser reported that SAC met and Kimberly Saunders gave a presentation on the lawsuit from its genesis to the current state. Janine suggested that the presentation be shared at a future board meeting. In addition, an update on the timeline for submitting the MS-25 and DOE-25 were provided at this meeting. Historical dates to show prior submissions for comparison were also shared. Lastly, everyone was invited to the next Community Forum.

e. Policy Committee – Crista Salamy

Crista Salamy reported that the Policy Committee met two weeks ago and looked at Student Board Members. It will be put into template form and brought back to the committee. The opportunity would not be limited to only students on student government but rather any student.

District Communication Plan policy was discussed and will be looked at further and discussed at a future policy committee meeting.

Student Dress Code was discussed at the meeting two weeks ago and then again tonight. Administration was present at tonight's meeting to share how dress code is going. The policy is vague and will be looked at by comparing to other districts. It may also be left as is.

The Wellness Policy was looked at to assure Free and Reduced Lunch requirements are being met.

Other policies were also reviewed.

JFAM was reviewed at the meeting two weeks ago as well.

Crista said that policies KEC and IJL were worked on by the Library/Media Specialists. Time to digest by the Policy Committee was allowed. More to come.

7. Old Business

a. Legislative Update

Kimberly Saunders reported that the NH School Board Association put out an update. A commission to study cooperative schools may be put together.

Katherine Heck reported that another opportunity may occur after the election. Education as a topic tracked as the highest topic amongst Legislature.

Kimberly Saunders referenced the ED306 update. An official draft has not been released. It includes sweeping changes on the guidelines for public schools. Kimberly agreed to send the board the most recent release.

8. New Business

a. Policy – 1st Read

JFAM: Education of Military Children & Military Connected Students

This policy is before the board for a first read. Send any questions or comments to Crista Salamy.

b. Accept Gift/Donation (Board Vote Required)

1) South Meadow School requests authorization to accept a gift of checks and gift cards for the purpose of helping teachers purchase items for their classroom or the purchase of items such as teacher celebrations in the amount of \$11,500.00 from an anonymous donor.

Dick Dunning moved to accept the donation as presented. Liz Swan seconded with gratitude. Unanimous.

Janine Lesser gave thanks to the donor.

9. Public Comment

None.

10. Approval of Manifests (Board Vote Required)

Lori Schmidt certified that manifests listed totaling \$4,105,385.45 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 presented. Alan Edelkind seconded. Unanimous.

Katherine Heck said that having the auditors come to a board meeting was once discussed. She asked if this could be scheduled. Kimberly Saunders said that they would extend the invite.

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

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

Alan Edelkind moved to enter into Non-Public Session in accordance with RSA 91-A:3,II at 7:35 p.m. for student matters. Dick Dunning second. Unanimous on a roll call vote.

Greg Kriebel moved to exit Non-Public Session at 7:44 pm. Dick Dunning seconded. Unanimous.

Greg Kriebel moved to seal the minutes of Non-Public Session for a period of ten (10) years. Liz Swan seconded. Unanimous.

Dick Dunning motioned to adjourn at 7:45 p.m. Liz Swan seconded. Unanimous.

Respectfully submitted,

Brenda Marschok