

**CANDIA SCHOOL BOARD MEETING
THURSDAY, MARCH 11, 2021 AT 6:00 P.M.
HENRY W. MOORE SCHOOL CAFETORIUM**

These minutes have not been approved.

CALL TO ORDER

Superintendent Bill Rearick, called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Those attending were Board members Matt Woodrow, Stephanie Helmig, Dana Buckley, Mark Chalbeck, and Kristina Ickes; Principal, Becky Wing; Director of Student Services, Kathryn Duncan; Technology Director, Chris Jamrog; Superintendent, William (Bill) Rearick and Assistant Superintendent, Marge Polak.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Matt Woodrow led the attendees in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Bill Rearick entertained a motion for Board Chair nominations.

Motion by Mark Chalbeck, seconded by Dana Buckley, to nominate Matt Woodrow as Board Chair, and the motion carried unanimously. Matt then presided over the meeting.

Motion by Dana Buckley, seconded by Kristina Ickes, to keep the same Board Officers and Committee Assignments as in 2020/2021, and the motion carried unanimously.

PROOF OF POSTING

Bill Rearick provided proof of posting.

MINUTES

Motion by Matt Woodrow, seconded by Dana Buckley, to approve the January 26, 2021 meeting minutes, and the motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Matt Woodrow, seconded by Stephanie Helmig, to approve the January 26, 2021 non-public, sealed, meeting minutes, and the motion carried unanimously.

OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC TO ADDRESS THE BOARD

No participation

SUPERINTENDENT'S UPDATES

Bill Rearick summarized his report adding that they are in the process of scheduling a closed POD vaccine clinic on March 18. He said this was offered to all staff members and that 65% of Candia staff will be participating.

REPORTS of Administrators and Standing Committees

Becky Wing reported that there have been no requests to shift to remote learning, but that 12 have requested shifting to in-person learning. Becky said she is thinking creatively to accommodate those returning to grade one, and would like to move the current reading tutor to grade 1 and to co-teach with the current grade 1 teacher. This would create the need for Title 1 for reading support for the remainder of the year. Dana Buckley expressed his concern for the lack of a reading tutor if a replacement can't be found. After some discussion, it was the consensus of the Board to allow the return of the 12 student to in-person learning and for Ms. Wing to do her best to fill the reading tutor position.

Matt Woodrow stated that he met with Mark Chalbeck, Becky Wing, and Lynda Byrne to work on a contingency plan in case the warrant article didn't pass. They reviewed and prioritized 10 items to use fund balance to complete.

OLD BUSINESS

Barn/Shed Update

Matt Woodrow gave a brief history of the storage shed gifted to the School District and the fact that Patriot Heating and Cooling is interested in either leasing or purchasing the shed/land. Bill Rearick stated that the district's attorney said that the district may enter into a lease agreement, but if they were to sell the property, it would have to be appraised and put on the ballot for voter approval.

Goals

The Goals were in the packet for review.

NEW BUSINESS

21/22 Enrollment Numbers

Matt Woodrow stated that Deerfield has started a committee to look into possibly tuitioning their students out so that they can eliminate modular classrooms and make renovations to the Deerfield Community School. They haven't reached out to Candia, but the Matt wanted the Board to be aware of it.

Spring Sports

Becky Wing stated the sign-ups were due today and that 14 students signed up for track and field, two for baseball, and one for softball. Because of these numbers, Becky recommends moving forward with only track and field but will consider adding other spring sports if enough students show interest.

Draft Calendar

Bill Rearick explained that the draft calendar was created before Pinkerton Academy changed the week of February vacation. Because of that revision, he suggested that the Candia School District change their week as well.

Motion by Kristina Ickes, seconded by Mark Chalbeck, to accept the draft calendar with the amended February vacation week to be February 28 to March 4, and the motion carried unanimously.

Substitute Rate of Pay

Bill Rearick explained that at the last SAU Board meeting, the Board's agreed that items like this should stay in sync. Currently, Candia pays certified subs \$80 a day and non-certified subs \$75. Auburn and Hooksett have both increased their sub rate of pay to \$90 for certified subs and \$80 for non-certified subs. Motion by Kristina Ickes, seconded by Dana Buckley, to raise the substitute rate of pay to match Auburn and Hooksett's.

POLICIES

Motion by Dana Buckley, seconded by Mark Chalbeck, to approve the first reading of Policies GBEBD, Employee Use of Social Networking Sites, and EH, Public Access to School District Records, and the motion carried unanimously.

FINANCIAL

Manifest Approval

Motion by Kristina Ickes, seconded by Matt Woodrow, to approve the January 25, 2021, to February 5, 2021 manifest in the amount of \$280,382.08, and the motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Matt Woodrow, seconded by Mark Chalbeck, to approve the second February 8, 2021 to February 19, 2021 manifest in the amount of \$926,810.02, and the motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Kristina Ickes, seconded by Matt Woodrow, to approve the second February 22, 2021 to March 5, 2021 manifest in the amount of \$255,489.98, and the motion carried unanimously.

Expenditure Report

The expenditure report was hand delivered for review by the Board.

Adequacy Funding was reviewed by the Board. Matt Woodrow asked Amy Ransom to provide how the cost per pupil is determined.

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No participation

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS/UPCOMING AGENDA

Enrollment Reports

NON-PUBLIC SESSION RSA 91-A 3 SECTION II (a-k)

At 7:00 p.m. motion by Kristina Ickes, seconded by Dana Buckley, to enter into a non-public session RSA 91-A 3 Section II a and c, and the motion carried unanimously.

The Board re-entered into a public session at 7:14 p.m.

Motion by Matt Woodrow, seconded by Mark Chalbeck to seal the non-public minutes in perpetuity because the divulgence of the information likely would affect adversely the reputation of any person other than a member of the public body itself, and the motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Matt Woodrow, seconded by Mark Chalbeck, to approve a bonus for Becky Wing of 6% of her salary, based on her exemplary performance, and the motion carried unanimously.

The Board set their retreat date for Saturday, May 22, 2021 at 8:00 a.m. at the Henry W. Moore School Cafetorium.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Matt Woodrow, seconded by Stephanie Helmig, to adjourn the meeting at 7:19 p.m., and the motion carried unanimously.

The next regularly scheduled Candia School Board Meeting will be on Thursday, April 1, 2021 at 6:00 p.m. at the Henry W. Moore School Cafetorium.

Respectfully submitted,

Rebecca SJ McCarthy
Recording Secretary