

**CANDIA SCHOOL BOARD MEETING
THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 24, 2020 AT 6:00 P.M.
HENRY W. MOORE SCHOOL CAFETORIUM**

These minutes have been approved.

CALL TO ORDER

Matt Woodrow, Board Chair, called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Those attending remotely were Board members Stephanie Helmig, and Dana Buckley. Mark Chalbeck, and Kristina Ickes joined via telephone. Each stated they were alone. Also in attendance were Principal, Becky Wing, Assistant Principal, Johnathon Banks, Director of Student Services, Kathryn Duncan, and Technology Director, Chris Jamrog; Superintendent, William (Bill) Rearick, Business Administrator, Amy Ransom and Assistant Superintendent, Marge Polak.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Johnathan Banks led the attendees in the Pledge of Allegiance.

PROOF OF POSTING

Bill Rearick provided proof of posting.

All votes taken were roll call votes.

MINUTES

Motion by Stephanie Helmig, seconded by Dana Buckley, to approve the August 20, 2020 meeting minutes. A roll call vote was taken. With all in favor, the motion carried.

Motion by Kristina Ickes, seconded by Dana Buckley, to approve the August 24, 2020 meeting minutes. A roll call vote was taken. With all in favor, the motion carried.

Motion by Dana Buckley, seconded by Matt Woodrow, to approve August 31, 2020 meeting minutes. With Stephanie Helmig and Mark Chalbeck abstaining, all others in favor, the motion carried.

Motion by Dana Buckley, seconded by Stephanie Helmig, to approve the non-public, sealed August 31, 2020 meeting minutes. With Kristina Ickes and Mark Chalbeck abstaining, all others in favor, the motion carried.

OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC TO ADDRESS THE BOARD

No participation.

SUPERINTENDENT'S UPDATES

Bill Rearick summarized his report.

Matt Woodrow asked Bill what other Superintendents are finding challenging during the COVID-19 pandemic, to which Bill said having enough teachers and subs.

Mike Davey from Energy Efficient Investments was in attendance to speak to the current facilities project. Matt Woodrow stated that there are still a number of items that need to be addressed and that they shouldn't be continually deferred. Mr. Davey prioritized other items that were determined by the Turner Report to be necessary. Considerable discussion ensued relative to funding. Stephanie Helmig stated that she will be meeting with the Budget Committee in October and will get their feedback at that time. Matt Woodrow asked Amy Ransom if she knew of any grants for building improvements. Amy said she does not.

REPORTS

Reports of Administrators

Matt Woodrow stated that the exterior of the building looks awesome, and asked Becky Wing to express that to Maintenance Director, Lynda Byrne. Matt asked how online learning is going, to which Becky said there have been some hiccups, but things have been positive.

Reports of Standing Committees

Matt Woodrow said that Greg Martakos from the Hooksett School Board, has reached out to him with regard to enrollments. Mark Chalbeck and Dana Buckley, who are on the Candia Enrollment Committee will coordinate a time to meet with Greg.

OLD BUSINESS

Goals

Goals were reviewed.

Recording of Meetings

Marge Polak explained that anything being put on the website must be ADA compliant, and that whatever method the Board chooses to record meetings must have that capability. Stephanie Helmig stated that it is a good idea to ask for funding for it in a warrant article.

Use of Facility

Some discussion ensued relative to the use of the Moore School during the pandemic. Currently, school groups are allowed to use the building while groups such as the scouts may use the exterior. Discussion on the use of the facility will remain on the agenda until further notice.

NEW BUSINESS

Budget Timeline

The timeline for the budget was discussed. The Board will hold their next meeting on October 8, 2020 instead of October 1, 2020 as scheduled, and it will include a 5:00p.m. budget meeting to be followed by the board business meeting.

Handbook Changes

Becky Wing reviewed the handbook changes saying most were the addition of health and safety protocols.

October Meeting Date

The October 1 meeting has been changed to October 8, 2020 per discussion during 'Budget Timeline'.

Facilities Improvement Plan/Funding Options

This was discussed during Mr. Davey's presentation.

FINANCIAL

Manifest Approval

Motion by Dana Buckley, seconded by Matt Woodrow, to approve the September 4, 2020 manifest in the amount of \$321,130.30. A roll call vote was taken. With all in favor, the motion carried.

Motion by Dana Buckley, seconded by Matt Woodrow, to approve the September 18, 2020 manifest in the amount of \$229,067.31. A roll call vote was taken. With all in favor, the motion carried.

Motion by Dana Buckley, seconded by Matt Woodrow, to approve the September 24, 2020 manifest in the amount of \$138,667.30. A roll call vote was taken. With all in favor, the motion carried.

PERSONNEL

Ratification of Co-Curricular Assignment Nomination

Motion by Matt Woodrow, seconded by Kristina Ickes, to approve the ratification of the nomination of Brian McKenna as Boys' Soccer Coach. A roll call vote was taken. With all in favor, the motion carried.

Motion by Matt Woodrow, seconded by Dana Buckley, to accept the retirement of Cheryl St. Pierre, with much regret. A roll call vote was taken. With all in favor, the motion carried.

Stephanie Helmig asked for clarification on how student illnesses are handled during the pandemic. Bill Rearick stated that the nurse would examine the child, their symptoms, and their health record. If the symptoms are unexplained, the parent has three options: have the child tested, wait 10 days, or get documentation from the child's physician that the symptoms are not COVID related.

Becky Wing stated that two touchless water bottle refill stations are on order.

Dana Buckley expressed his concern for going totally remote. He said the decision to do so must take the community as a whole into consideration before doing so. Matt Woodrow asked what would constitute closing, to which Bill Rearick stated that one positive case would not close down a class for any length of time. He said a recent situation in Hooksett warranted the closing of a building for two days. He said there is lag time between the testing centers and DHHS, saying the one situation in Hooksett had three different point people at DHHS. Bill added that he kept one class out an additional day while DHHS figured it out. He hoped if the Moore School closed, that they would be able to shift immediately to online instruction.

Stephanie Helmig asked if a student could remove their mask if they were in the playground alone, to which Becky Wing said they could.

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No participation.

NON-PUBLIC SESSION RSA 91-A 3 SECTION II e

Motion by Matt Woodrow at 7:46 p.m., seconded by Dana Buckley, to enter into a non-public session 91-A 3 Section II e. A roll call vote was taken. With all in favor, the motion carried.

The Board resumed their public meeting at 8:08 p.m.

Motion by Matt Woodrow, seconded by Dana Buckley, to seal the non-public minutes in perpetuity. A roll call vote was taken. With Kristina Ickes abstaining, all others in favor, the motion carried.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS/UCOMING AGENDA

NHSBA Call for Resolutions

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Stephanie Helmig, seconded by Mark Chalbeck, to adjourn the meeting at 8:09 p.m., and the motion carried unanimously.

The next regularly scheduled Candia School Board Budget and Business Meeting will be on Thursday, October 8, 2020 beginning at 5:00 p.m. at the Henry W. Moore School Cafetorium.

Respectfully submitted,

Rebecca SJ McCarthy
Recording Secretary