

**CANDIA SCHOOL BOARD MEETING
THURSDAY, AUGUST 20, 2020 AT 6:00 P.M.
HENRY W. MOORE SCHOOL**

These minutes have been approved.

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

Those in attendance were Board members Stephanie Helmig and Dana Buckley. Mark Chalbeck and Kristina Ickes joined via telephone.

Also in attendance were Principal, Becky Wing, Assistant Principal, Johnathon Banks, Technology Director, Chris Jamrog; Superintendent, William (Bill) Rearick, and Assistant Superintendent, Marge Polak.

Matt Woodrow led the attendees in the Pledge of Allegiance.

PROOF OF POSTING

Bill Rearick provided proof of posting.

MINUTES

Motion by Stephanie Helmig, seconded by Kristina Ickes, to approve the Board Meeting Minutes of August 6, 2020. A poll vote was taken. With all in favor, the motion carried.

Motion by Dana Buckley, seconded by Stephanie Helmig, to approve the sealed, non-public Board Meeting Minutes of August 6, 2020. A poll vote was taken. With Mark Chalbeck and Kristina Ickes abstaining, all others in favor, the motion carried.

OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC TO ADDRESS THE BOARD

No participation.

OLD BUSINESS

Re-Entry to School and Instructional Update

Bill Rearick stated that at the last meeting, the Board decided to have administration look into the feasibility of providing remote instruction. Becky Wing reviewed the results of the survey that was sent out after that meeting. She gave an overview of remote instruction, and described a typical day in the life of a remote learner. She said things remain fluid as she follows weekly updates from the state. Bill Rearick stated that the Board should create a policy to establish remote learning parameters. Because of the new option available, Becky will follow up with parents tomorrow asking if they would like to change their previous decision.

Stephanie Helmig asked why a teacher can't Zoom live instruction, to which Becky said she didn't want teachers doing double duty. In addition, that wouldn't allow for small group instruction. Stephanie asked if there would be a para in the kindergarten classroom, to which Becky stated that all paras are assigned to students needing special education services. Bill Rearick stated that they wouldn't look into hiring a long-term sub until numbers of in-school learners were more solid. Dana Buckley asked how the upper grades would be allowed to socialize, to which Becky Wing stated that she felt confident it could be worked out by the teacher when possible.

Motion by Dana Buckley, seconded by Matt Woodrow, to approve the Remote Learning Plan as presented. A poll vote was taken. With all in favor, the motion carried.

Bill Rearick stated that Lynda Byrne did a study to determine the additional time needed to clean, which came out to over ten hours a day. Bill suggested contracting with a cleaning service so services could be ended if the school had to close. Matt Woodrow asked if there was any state aid, to which Bill Rearick stated that the Business Administrator has applied for FEMA assistance, but right now they are only appropriating funds for school start-ups for items such as PPE's. Matt asked how the cleaning service would be funded. Bill said because schools aren't 'front-loading' supplies for a full year, there is some flexibility there.

Motion by Matt Woodrow, seconded by Dana Buckley, to approve outsourcing cleaning services. A poll vote was taken. With all in favor, the motion carried.

Matt Woodrow stated that community members have asked what 6' distancing will look like in the classroom and at recess. Becky Wing stated that in K-4, when neither the teacher nor students are walking about, there will be ample times for mask breaks, as those in the classroom will be maintaining the 6' distance. She said that recess time is more difficult to maintain 6', but that there will be opportunities for breaks if students are able to spread apart appropriately. Becky said that those with underlying health issues and unable to wear a mask should

contact the school.

Athletics

Becky Wing reviewed survey results showing a number of students interested in participating in soccer and cross-country. Individual, participating schools will develop their own health and safety protocols and will determine if they want to participate with other districts based on their protocols.

Video Recording

Some discussion ensued relative to video recording. Zoom would not be viable for long-term. Marge Polak explained that by law, they are required to close caption any streamed/recorded meetings. These cost \$1 a word. Dana Buckley felt it was important to provide this service. Bill Rearick stated that video recording of meetings is not an operational issue. The Board agreed to put this on the ballot as a warrant article for Candia residents to vote on.

NEW BUSINESS

Policy KF

Bill Rearick said he wanted to discuss Policy KF as the Board may want to consider suspending or limiting use of the building. Considerable discussion ensued relative to who might still be allowed to use it and what, if any, cleaning would be necessary to cover. Bill suggested putting a hold on for 30 days.

Motion by Matt Woodrow, seconded by Dana Buckley, to put a temporary hold on indoor use of the Moore School facility for any non-school sanctioned groups. This will be revisited at the Board's next meeting.

A roll call vote was taken. With all in favor, the motion carried.

Resignation

Motion by Matt Woodrow, seconded by Dana Buckley, to accept, with great regret, the resignation of Katie Healey. A roll call vote was taken. With all in favor, the motion carried.

Superintendent's Nominations

Motion by Matt Woodrow, seconded by Dana Buckley, to approve the Superintendent's nomination of Caroline Megan as school nurse. A poll vote was taken. With all in favor, the motion carried.

Motion by Matt Woodrow, seconded by Kristina Ickes, to approve the Superintendent's nomination of Victoria Brown as presented. A poll vote was taken. With all in favor, the motion carried.

Manifest Approval

Motion by Dana Buckley, seconded by Stephanie Helmig, to approve the August 21, 2020 manifest in the amount of \$118,921.39. A poll vote was taken. With all in favor, the motion carried.

Dana Buckley asked about bus routes, to which Becky Wing stated the bus company will determine routes and stops after they are notified of those who plan on attending in-school session.

Dana stated that there has not been enough interest in the New Morning before-school program. He said those interested should contact New Morning directly.

OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC TO ADDRESS THE BOARD

There was no participation.

The Board decided to move their September 3 meeting to September 24.

NON-PUBLIC SESSION RSA 91-A:3 Section II (a-k) (if necessary)

Not necessary.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Dana Buckley, seconded by Matt Woodrow, to adjourn the meeting at 7:32 p.m. A poll vote was taken. With all in favor, the motion carried.

The next regularly scheduled Candia School Board Meeting will be on Thursday, September 24, 2020 at 6:00 p.m. at the Henry W. Moore School Cafetorium.

There will be an SAU Board Meeting on Wednesday, September 16, 2020 at 6:30 p.m. at the David R. Cawley Media Center in Hooksett.

Respectfully submitted,

Rebecca SJ McCarthy
Recording Secretary