

**CANDIA SCHOOL BOARD MEETING  
THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 10, 2022  
5:00 P.M.  
HENRY W. MOORE SCHOOL MEDIA CENTER**

**These minutes have been approved.**

**CALL TO ORDER**

Matt Woodrow, Board Chair, called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

Those in attendance were Board members Dana Buckley, Stephanie Helmig, Mark Chalbeck and Kristina Ickes (5:20 p.m.). Also in attendance were Assistant Principal, John Banks; Director of Student Services, Kathryn Duncan; Superintendent, William (Bill) Rearick; Assistant Superintendent, Marge Polak, and Business Administrator, Amy Ransom.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Matt Woodrow led the attendees in the Pledge of Allegiance.

**PROOF OF POSTING**

Bill Rearick provided proof of posting.

**LIAISON**

Pinkerton Liaison, Madison Butters, updated the Board with events at Pinkerton Academy which included:

- Homecoming Dance
- Winter Sports
- Girls Basketball Team #1
- Finalization of Course Selections

**MINUTES**

Motion by Mark Chalbeck, seconded by Stephanie Helmig, to approve the January 6, 2022 meeting minutes, and the motion carried unanimously.

**SUPERINTENDENT'S UPDATES**

Bill Rearick said that the DHHS is retiring the 'dashboard' which will eliminate criteria used in the Reopening Plan to determine mask requirements. He suggested that mask wearing be optional due to the fact that the criteria used to pivot will be obsolete. Some discussion ensued.

Motion by Matt Woodrow, seconded by Dana Buckley, to move to fully mask-optional, effective Monday, February 14, 2022, and to have Superintendent Rearick strike related language in the Reopening Plan. The motion carried unanimously. Bill reminded the Board that masks must still be worn on the bus as that is a federal mandate. Communication of this change will be sent to parents. All other rules regarding mitigation in the Reopening Plan will still apply.

**OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC TO ADDRESS THE BOARD**

Resident Kate Knowles said she appreciated the Board's change to allow optional mask use.

**REPORTS**

Administrator's Reports were reviewed.

Matt Woodrow asked for a bus update to which Bill Rearick stated that he met with the STA vice president, regional manager and terminal manager, and expressed the districts' frustration with bus operations. He said there are now 5 trainees and another 14 who have expressed interest in becoming bus drivers.

**NEW BUSINESS**

**Superintendent's Evaluation**

This will be done in a non-public session.

**OLD BUSINESS**

**Reopening Plan**

Bill Rearick covered this under Superintendent’s Updates.

**FINANCIAL**

Motion by Mark Chalbeck, seconded by Dana Buckley to approve the manifest in the amount of \$367,903.10, and the motion carried unanimously.

**POLICIES**

Motion by Dana Buckley, seconded by Stephanie Helmig to accept the second reading of Policies DG Depository of Funds, DI Fiscal Accounting and Reporting, DKC, Expense Reimbursements, and DGA Authorized Signatures/Check-Writing Services, and the motion carried unanimously.

Matt Woodrow stated that information on the tax impact from the warrant articles would be available at the Deliberative Session.

**OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC TO ADDRESS THE BOARD**

No participation.

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

Motion by Matt Woodrow, seconded by Kristina Ickes, to enter into a non-public meeting RSA 91-A:3 Section II c at 5:28 p.m. A roll call vote was taken. With all in favor, the motion carried unanimously.

The Board resumed public session at 5:55 p.m.

Motion by Mark Chalbeck, seconded by Kristina Ickes, to seal the non-public minutes in perpetuity, and the motion carried unanimously.

**INFORMATIONAL/UPCOMING AGENDA ITEMS**

Enrollments

**ADJOURNMENT**

Motion by Kristina Ickes, seconded by Stephanie Helmig to adjourn the meeting at 5:55 p.m., and the motion carried unanimously.

The next regularly scheduled Candia School Board Meeting will be on Thursday, March 10, 2022 at 6:00 p.m. at the Henry W. Moore School Media Center.

There will be an SAU #15 Board Meeting on Wednesday, February 16, 2022, at 6:30 p.m. at the David R. Cawley Middle School in Hooksett.

Respectfully submitted,

Rebecca McCarthy  
Recording Secretary