

**CANDIA SCHOOL BOARD MEETING
THURSDAY, MARCH 7, 2024
HENRY W. MOORE SCHOOL MEDIA CENTER**

These minutes have been approved.

Board Chair, Matt Woodrow opened the meeting at 6:00 p.m. Those in attendance were Board members Dana Buckley, Mark Chalbeck, Stephanie Helmig and Kristina Ickes (6:03 p.m.); Principal Becky Wing, Assistant Principal Dorothy Franchini, Director of Student Services Stacey Eaton, and Superintendent William (Bill) Rearick..

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Stephanie Helmig thanked outgoing Board Chair, Matt Woodrow, for his many years on the School Board, and Matt led the attendees in the Pledge of Allegiance.

PROOF OF POSTING

Bill Rearick provided proof of posting.

MINUTES

Motion by Dana Buckley, seconded by Mark Chalbeck, to approve the February 8, 2024 meeting minutes, and the motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Kristina Ickes, seconded by Stephanie Helmig, to approve the non-public February 8, 2024 meeting minutes, and the motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Stephanie Helmig, seconded by Dana Buckley, to approve the meeting minutes of February 8, 2024, which followed the Deliberative Session, and the motion carried unanimously.

OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC TO ADDRESS THE BOARD

Kelly Dark-Brown Rd-Is there a 'buddy system' in place for introverted kids. Becky Wing there is lunch-bunch and a buddy bench. She encouraged parents to contact the school if they have any concerns.

Meredith Wilson-High St.-Verify the process of what happens when there is a bullying incident. Becky Wing explained the process and said the term 'bullying' means when there is an imbalance of power. She said all reports of bullying are investigated and there are many factors that are taken into consideration such as age, frequency and severity.

Carol Batchelder-Does the Board plan on scheduling a parent information night.

Danielle Davis-Laliberte Lane-Any adult can request a bullying investigation, even if it happens outside the school, such as in social media.

Amanda Ciofalo-Patten Hill-What are the expected enrollment numbers for kindergarten.

Becky Wing said it looks like there will be two kindergarten classes, and Stephanie Helmig said the Board will schedule a parent information night at their April meeting.

SUPERINTENDENT'S UPDATES

Bill Rearick summarized his report which was in the packet. He said he had to reschedule a visit to the Moore School until next week.

Bill also congratulated Becky Wing on being named School Principal of the Year, and the attendees gave her a round of applause. Becky also said that the Moore School is up for K-8 School of Excellence this year.

NEW BUSINESS

NH K-8 School of Excellence Presentation

Becky showed the Moore School's NH K-8 School of Excellence presentation.

Custodial Staff Benefits

Some discussion ensued relative to part-time custodian's not being entitled to sick/vacation time. Bill and the Human Resources Director will look into this and the Board will discuss it further at their April meeting.

FINANCIAL

Expenditure Report

The expenditure report was reviewed.

Manifest Approval

Motion by Matt Woodrow, seconded by Mark Chalbeck, to approve the manifest in the amount of \$1,215,039.56, and the motion carried unanimously.

POLICIES

Motion by Dana Buckley, seconded by Stephanie, to approve the second reading/adoption of policies JKAA, JKAA-R Use of Child Restraint/Seclusion and Procedures, DFGA Crowdfunding, IKL Academic Honesty and Integrity, KCD Public Gifts/Donations, GBAA Sexual Harassment-Students / Staff, AC Non-Discrimination, KED Grievance Procedure and IJOA / IJOA-R Field Trips and Form as presented, and the motion carried unanimously.

PERSONNEL

Motion by Matt Woodrow, seconded by Kristina Ickes, to approve the co-curricular nominations as presented, and the motion carried unanimously.

OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC TO ADDRESS THE BOARD

Kelly Dark asked if coaches are aware that coaching is a stipend position.

Jason Gustin-Crowley Road-Reminded the Board that the votes passed by only 34 votes last year.

Carol Batchelder-Asked if citizens could explain the budget online, to which Bill Rearick said members of the public may explain and make requests regarding the budget, but Board members risk electioneering if they don't word things about the warrant articles properly.

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

Motion by Kristina Ickes, seconded by Dana Buckley, to enter into a non-public meeting at 7:05 p.m. A roll-call vote was taken. With all in favor, the motion carried.

The Board reconvened their public session at 7:15 p.m.

Motion by Matt Woodrow, seconded by Dana Buckley, to approve the CESPAs MOU as presented, and the motion carried unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Dana Buckley, seconded by Mark Chalbeck, to adjourn the meeting at 7:15 p.m., and the motion carried unanimously.

The next regularly scheduled Candia School Board Meeting will be on April 4, 2024, at 6:00 p.m. at the Henry W. Moore School Media Center.

Respectfully submitted,

Rebecca McCarthy
Recording Secretary