

**CANDIA SCHOOL BOARD MEETING**  
**Thursday, November 7, 2024**  
**Henry W. Moore School Media Center**

These minutes have been approved.

**CALL to ORDER**

Stephanie Helmig, Board Chair called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Those in attendance were Board members, Dana Buckley, Merideth Wilson and Mark Chalbeck. Also in attendance was Superintendent William (Bill) Rearick, Assistant Superintendent Kimberly Sarfde, Business Administrator Cheryl DiGennaro, Moore School Principal, Becky Wing, Assistant Principal, Dorothy Franchini and Director of Student Services, Stacey Eaton.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Emily Esty (Grade 3) and Anthony Esty (K), new to the Moore School, led the attendees in the Pledge of Allegiance.

**PROOF OF POSTING**

Bill Rearick provided the proof of posting.

**PINKERTON LIAISON**

Rebecca Gill updated the Board on upcoming events at Pinkerton which included:

Veteran's Day breakfast

Sophomore Semi-Formal

Winter Play

Holiday Concert

New building on target

Girls' soccer team is in the championships

Stacey Eaton and Dorothy Franchini showed the presentation made by the Moore Staff and students commemorating Becky Wing on being honored as Principal of the Year in Washington, DC.

**MINUTES**

Motion by Merideth Wilson, seconded by Dana Buckley, to approve the minutes of the October 3, 2024 Board meeting. With Mark Chalbeck abstaining, all others in favor, the motion carried.

**OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC TO ADDRESS THE BOARD**

Nicole Esty-Patten Hill Rd said her kids have are having a great experience at the Moore School and would like the Board to consider allowing for school choice and to open high school options up to Trinity.

**REPORTS**

The Superintendent's and Administrator's reports were reviewed.

Bill Rearick said he has been busy doing budgets. The insurance rates came in at a 5.2% increase, only 2% higher than the 5% placeholder. Pinkerton tuition rates won't be available for a few more weeks. Bill said Becky Wing joined the Active Shooter training in Hooksett, which was a very informative and productive training.

**OLD BUSINESS**

**2025/2026 Budget and Summary**

Motion by Dana Buckley, seconded by Mark Chalbeck, to accept the proposed 2025/2026 budget as presented in the amount of \$1,288,268, and the motion carried unanimously.

**Goals**

Goals were discussed. Becky Wing will provide updated goals from the Retreat and will use last year's format.

**NEW BUSINESS**

**School Choice**

Stephanie Helmig said she put School Choice on the agenda so the Board could discuss and make a final decision. Considerable discussion ensued relative to the Pinkerton contract that only allows for 5% of the entire student population to attend a high school other than Pinkerton, which limits the ability of the Board to open up school choice. This will be on next month's agenda as well.

## **May 1 Board Meeting**

The Board moved their May 1, 2025 meeting to May 8, 2025 as it falls during vacation.

Motion by Dana Buckley, seconded by Merideth Wilson, to amend the agenda to discuss cameras, and the motion carried unanimously.

Becky Wing said the camera installation for recording Board meetings will potentially be ready for use by the December meeting. Bill said additional hallway and outdoor cameras must be installed which will cost \$13,896. He said this can be funded using the SRO line which hasn't been used this year.

Motion by Dana Buckley, seconded by Mark Chalbeck, to approve \$13,896, for camera installation, and the motion carried unanimously.

## **FINANCIAL**

### **Expenditure Report**

The expenditure report was in the packet for review.

### **Manifest Approvals**

Motion by Merideth Wilson, seconded by Dana Buckley, to approve the manifest in the amount of \$736,210.69, and the motion carried unanimously.

## **PERSONNEL**

### **Co-Curricular Nominations**

Motion by Stephanie Helmig, seconded by Dana Buckley, to approve the co-curricular assignments as presented, and the motion carried unanimously.

## **POLICIES**

Policies DAF Administration of Federal Grants, DIA Fund Balance, EBCH Chemical Safety and Chemical Hygiene, GBGBA Automated External Defibrillators, and IHAM Health Education & Exemption from Instruction were in the packet for a first reading.

Motion by Dana Buckley, seconded by Merideth Wilson, to approve the first reading of the policies, and the motion carried unanimously.

Policies GBAA / JBAA Sexual Harassment and Sexual Violence-Staff / Students, AC Non-Discrimination, ACE Procedural Safeguards: Nondiscrimination of the Basis of Disability, JICD Student Conduct, Discipline, and Flag Displays were in the packet for a second reading/adoption.

Motion by Dana Buckley, seconded by Stephanie Helmig, to approve the second reading/adoption of the policies as presented, and the motion carried unanimously.

## **OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC TO ADDRESS THE BOARD**

No participation.

## **INFORMATIONAL/UPCOMING AGENDA ITEMS**

On November 25, 2024, the Budget Committee will meet with the School Board at 7:00 p.m. at the Moore School.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

Motion by Dana Buckley, seconded by Mark Chalbeck, to adjourn the meeting at 6:50 p.m., and the motion carried unanimously.

The next regularly scheduled Candia School Board Meetings will be held on Thursday, December 5 2024 at 6:00 p.m. at the Henry W. Moore School Media Center.

Respectfully submitted,  
Rebecca SJ McCarthy, Board Recording Secretary

*\*Materials enclosed for Board review prior to meeting*

Please note: In addition to the items listed on the agenda, the Board may consider other matters not on the posted agenda and they may enter a non-public session or convene in non-meeting session in accordance with RSA 91-A if the need arises