

CANDIA SCHOOL BOARD MEETING
Wednesday, December 4, 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. Hooksett Technology Director, Dan Roma was also in attendance.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Sixth-grader Eli Juskiewicz led the attendees in the Pledge of Allegiance.

PROOF OF POSTING

Bill Rearick provided the proof of posting.

Pinkerton Liaison, Rebecca Gill, was not in attendance tonight, but Stephanie Helmig reported that the Pinkerton girls' soccer team won the state championship and the girls cross country and boys football teams both won their respective divisions.

MINUTES

Motion by Dana Buckley, seconded by Mark Chalbeck, to approve the minutes of the November 7, 2024 Board meeting, and the motion carried unanimously.

OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC TO ADDRESS THE BOARD

No participation.

REPORTS

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

Bill Rearick summarized his report and said Pinkerton's Start Time Committee has narrowed down the start times they are considering to 7:45 am or 9:00 am. Nothing will change until at least the 2026/2027 school year. Bill said Auburn is not agreeable to Pinkerton changing the start time as it would have too much of an effect on the AVS bus schedule. Both Candia and Hooksett Boards will consider it at a later date.

Administrator's reports were reviewed.

Merideth Wilson said the Wellness Committee met and the Winter Wellness Fair will be held on January 30, 2025 between 5:30 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. Sean McDonald will be hosting a 'Chopped' competition.

Stephanie Helmig said that the Budget Public Hearing is next Wednesday, but she is unable to attend. Mark Chalbeck will attend in her place.

OLD BUSINESS

Heating System Update

Bill Rearick said the circulator pump at the boiler failed to work, causing the second one to overheat. This and a failed alarm have been replaced. A spare circulation pump has been purchased.

School Choice-Discussion

There were no audience members in attendance. This will be on the January agenda.

NEW BUSINESS

Henry W. Moore Phone/Internet Issues-D. Roma

Dan Roma explained the phone and internet issues in Candia when the Hooksett Tech team was called in to assist. The problems were varied and were all rectified in a timely manner. Dan will be looking into the current cable wiring and will research the cost of running fiber cable instead. Dana Buckley suggested having a backup circuit as well.

FINANCIAL

2025-2026 Budget Update

Bill Rearick said the revised budget includes updated tuition costs for Pinkerton Academy.

Motion by Dana Buckley, seconded by Mark Chalbeck, to approve the 25-26 operating budget in the amount of \$11,303,509.00, and the motion carried unanimously.

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 \$527,136.23, 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 second reading/adoption. Motion by Dana Buckley, seconded by Stephanie Helmig, to approve the second reading/adoption of the policies, and the motion carried unanimously.

Policies AC-R Non-Discrimination Annual Notice of Contact Information, ADB/BGEC Drug-Free Workplace/Drug-Free Schools, ADC/JICG, GBED Tobacco Products Ban-Use and Possession in School Facilities in and on Grounds, IHBA and IHBA-R Programs for Pupils with Disabilities, ACF Food and Nutrition Services Anti-Discrimination and Civil Rights Complaints, JLP Parental Notification of and Student Welfare, and JI Students Rights and Responsibilities were in the packet for a first reading. Motion by Dana Buckley, seconded by Mark Chalbeck, to approve the first reading policies, and the motion carried unanimously.

OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC TO ADDRESS THE BOARD

No participation.

INFORMATIONAL/UPCOMING AGENDA ITEMS

The School District Moderator and Clerk will be invited to attend the January Board meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Dana Buckley, seconded by Stephanie Helmig, 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, January 2, 2025 at 6:00 p.m. at the Henry W. Moore School Media Center.

**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