

**CANDIA SCHOOL BOARD MEETING
TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 5, 2024
HENRY W. MOORE SCHOOL MEDIA CENTER**

These minutes have been approved.

Board Chair Stephanie Helmig opened the meeting at 6:00 p.m. Those in attendance were Board members Mark Chalbeck, Kristina Ickes, Dana Buckley and Merideth Wilson. Also in attendance was Superintendent William (Bill) Rearick, Assistant Superintendent Kimberly Sarfde, Moore School Principal, Becky Wing, Assistant Principal, Dorothy Franchini and Director of Student Services, Stacey Eaton.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Aaliyah and Adriel Saigbah, grades 5 and 2 respectively, led the attendees in the Pledge of Allegiance.

PROOF OF POSTING

Bill Rearick provided proof of posting.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion by Dana Buckley, seconded by Merideth Wilson, to approve the School Board Meeting minutes of June 1, 2024. With Mark Chalbeck abstaining, all others in favor, the motion carried.

Motion by Kristina Ickes, seconded by Mark Chalbeck, to approve the School Board Meeting minutes of June 6, 2024, and the motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Kristina Ickes, seconded by Mark Chalbeck, to approve the non-public meeting minutes of June 6, 2024, amending the referenced policy if necessary, and the motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Kristina Ickes, seconded by Mark Chalbeck, to approve the School Board Meeting minutes of August 6, 2024, and the motion carried unanimously.

PUBLIC INPUT

Patty Davis (Critchett Road), asked if there was any update on Ag Day, to which Becky Wing said Meg Morenz will coordinate it.

Nicole Esty (Patten Hill), asked the Board to consider school choice, namely Trinity.

Carol Batchelder (Raymond Road) echoed Ms. Esty for high school choice.

Kristina Ickes spoke for a constituent asking if lunch portions are enough to fill a student. Ms. Batchelder, who also works in the Moore School cafeteria, stated that the lunch program follows USDA guidelines, but staff cannot track what is consumed. Some students toss the fruit/vegetables, and purchase a second helping of the entrée. Seconds are offered when available.

Stephanie Helmig introduced and welcomed Assistant Superintendent, Kimberly Sarfde.

The administrator's reports were reviewed.

Stephanie Helmig introduced Pinkerton Liaison Rebecca Gill, who updated the Board with upcoming events that included:

- Primary Day will be a remote day
- The science building is open/the social studies building will be complete in January
- Mack Plaque will be hosted at Londonderry
- Students now have access controls to enter/exit buildings

The expenditure report was reviewed.

Motion by Dana Buckley, seconded by Mark Chalbeck, to approve the June manifest in the amount of 853,643.21, and the motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Dana Buckley, seconded by Mark Chalbeck, to approve the July 1 manifest in the amount of 397,751.94, and the motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Dana Buckley, seconded by Mark Chalbeck, to approve the July 23 manifest in the amount of 826,139.57, and the motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Dana Buckley, seconded by Mark Chalbeck, to approve the August 17 manifest in the amount of 334,514.25, and the motion carried unanimously.

PERSONNEL

Motion by Kristina Ickes, seconded by Merideth Wilson, to approve the Superintendent's nominations as presented, and the motion carried unanimously.

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

PUBLIC INPUT

Carol Batchelder asked where we are at with the SRO, to which Bill Rearick explained that the person expected to take the position decided against it. Once the new Chief starts and the department is fully staffed, the subject will be revisited. Ms. Batchelder asked where we are at with the recording of meetings, to which Bill Rearick said it is on order.

NO-PUBLIC/NON-MEETING

Motion by Kristina Ickes, seconded by Merideth Wilson, to enter into a non-public session RSA 91A:3 Section II L at 6:25 p.m. A roll-call vote was taken. With all in favor, the motion carried unanimously.

The Board re-entered their public session at 7:10 p.m.

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

Discussion ensued relative to budget meetings and the October Board meeting.

The New Teacher Meet and Greet will be held at 5:00 p.m. prior to a Board budget meeting, which will be held prior to a Board meeting on October 3, 2024.

Dana Buckley said communication has been great with the Moore School.

Dana Buckley asked if the district would consider consolidating bus stops to lessen the number of children walking on the roadways.

Dana Buckley asked where we are with the Pinkerton start time, to which Bill Rearick said the next meeting is in November.

Dana Buckley asked if there are civics classes on state and local government, to which Becky Wing stated that they are starting that curriculum this year.

Merideth Wilson asked if students were supposed to be crossing High Street to get the bus. Becky Wing said no, but will look into why a student is doing so in the morning.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Kristina Ickes, seconded by Dana Buckley to adjourn the meeting at 7:18 p.m., and the motion carried unanimously.

The next regularly scheduled Candia School Board Meeting will be on September 5, 2024, following a Teacher Meet and Greet (5:00pm) and budget meeting at the Henry W. Moore School Media Center.

The SAU Board will meet on Thursday, September 26, 2024 at 6:30 at the Auburn Village School.

Respectfully submitted,
Rebecca McCarthy
Recording Secretary