# Chebeague Island School Committee Building and Grounds Committee- at the Recreation Center August 17, 2021 5:00 P.M.

Present: School Committee Meredith Beaupre and Ann Kirkpatrick.

The committee reviewed the list of tasks and projects generated last year. Next we walked around the outside of the building noting the water spout to the left of the front door needs to be replaced. The floors including the hall were waxed and were drying. The committee looked at the gardens, playground equipment and wooden boat. Add to the to- do list; look up policy for memorials on school grounds, check all the bolts and safety check the playground equipment, Beaupre will bring sand in for the boat once it is completed.

# Chebeague Island School Committee Regular Meeting Minutes- at the Recreation Center August 17, 2021 6:00 P.M.

### **Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order at 6:08 p.m. by the School Committee Chair Leah Guay. School Committee members in attendance were Meredith Beauipre, Jeff Putnam, Suzanne Rugh, Viktoria Wood. Others in attendance were Superintendent Ann Kirkpatrick and Travis Nedeau.

**Approval of Agenda for August 17, 2021-** A motion was made by Suzanne Rugh to approve the agenda as written. Seconded by Viktoria Wood. Motion passed 5-0-0.

**Minutes from August 3, 2021-** A motion was made by Jeff Putnam to approve the minutes of August 3, 2021, Seconded by Viktoria Wood. Motion passed 4-0-1 (sr).

Correspondence- None at this time

Public Comment - None

#### Reports

<u>School Committee Chairperson</u>- Leah Guay led a discussion about the upcoming election of 2 school committee members. Positions are for a 2 year and 3 year terms. The new members will be sworn in and be ready for the September 21, 2021 meeting.

<u>Superintendent/ Principal-</u> Ann Kirkpatrick updated the School Committee with the progress of getting the school ready for the opening of school on August 30, 2021, staff has 3 days of workshop and preparation next week Tuesday- Thursday. All staff have been given the time from which they are expected to be present. The Superintendent is meeting with the Recreation Director and Kid's Pace Director to find ways to work together for the benefit of the children and

the families of Chebeague Island School. The morning bus schedules were distributed to the School Committee members, it was noted that the elementary run will start at the Stone Pier as a help for parents needing to take the 8:00AM boat.

There was a discussion about the use of the school and the bus during summer time. Ann has had a conversation with Steve about the town using the Recreation Center during summer as they are open for the use of bathrooms and refrigerators. Ann will review the policies regarding the use of the school bus, as we do not have a driver during the summer. Ann has been in contact with Long Island and Chebeague Island Library to begin our work together in the new school year. Ann and Leah are working together to put together a notebook so that all School Committee members have school related information.

LeadTeacher- No report

# **New Business**

**Motion** was made by Leah Guay and seconded by Suzanne Rugh to review and approve the cost of school lunch for the 2021/2022 school year. Motion passed 5-0-0.

<u>Parent Packet</u>- There are 2 packets going out this year; for the elementary students and one for the Middle and High School parents. We will update the contact information for all parents PreK-grade 12.

**Motion** was made by Jeff Putnam to set the school lunch program price at \$2.50 going back to before COVID procedure of school providing snacks for all the students and lunch for those who purchase it on a day to day basis including staff, seconded by Suzanne Rugh. Motion passed. 5-0-0.

Back to school COVID-19 Protocol- Superintendent Ann Kirkpatrick recommends the following layered system of strategies to maximum teaching and learning for students and staff, reduce time lost due to illness, quaranties, or school closure to the School Committee;

- 1. continue the expectation of daily self checks for symptoms or possible exposure to positive cases by staff and family of students.
- 2. continue the focus on personal hygiene including hand-washing, minimal sharing of supplies, CIS will again supply water bottles for the students.
- 3. continue to be aware of physical distancing 3 feet.
- 4. continue to use the window fans for improved air circulation including when the heating system is operating.
- 5. continue to limit visitors in the building to invited guests. All visitors will follow the indoor universal masking and other protocols for being in school.
- 6. everyone signs into the school so if we need to contract trace we are able to contact people. We will follow the recommendations for quarantining as directed by CDC.
- 7. Beginning Monday, August 23, 2021, face coverings will be required in all indoor settings and on all school transportation; bus and van for all students and staff regardless of vaccination status/

-masks may be removed when actively eating or drinking.

-vaccinated staff may remove their masks when alone in a classroom or office.

-NO MASKS when staff and students are outdoors.

**Motion** was made by Vika Wood to allow masking to be optional. Seconded by Leah Guay. Motion failed 2 (vw lg)-3-0.

**Motion** was made by Jeff Putnam to allow the Superintendent to use her judgement in making sure the school is safe to open and that the School Committee revisit the decision at the September 7, 2021 meeting. Seconded by Meredith Beaupre. Before the vote there was a request that the superintendent send out a survey to staff, students and parents for their input, work on criteria that would eliminate universal masking at the school and to research other island schools and schools of the same size on their mask requirements. Motion passed 5-0-0.

Policy- Motion was made by Leah Guay to accept policy BED- Remote Participation in School Committee Meetings in its first reading. Seconded by Vika Wood. Motion passed 5-0-0.

Review of the CTC Contract- The School Committee was given a copy of the CTC contract. This contact will be available in the School Committee notebook.

### **Old Business**

Letter to parents regarding CTC- The School Committee reviewed the letter going to the Middle and High School parents. This will be included in the packet going to these parents along with contact information and Yarmouth School Calendar.

Slate of Positions- The School Committee reviewed the slate of positions that this current budget was built to support. There are positions at this time that are not filled and other that are not needed. The slate of positions will be reviewed and voted on again during the budget process for the 2022-2023 school year.

#### **Other Business**

There is a warrant for the School Committee to review and sign with one bill for insurance.

Adjournment at 8:31 pm

Respectfully Submitted, Ann C. Kirkpatrick; Superintendent