

Chebeague Island School Committee
Regular Meeting Minutes
October 4, 2022
6:00 P.M.

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 6:06 p.m. by Jeff Putnam. School Committee members in attendance were Courtney Doughty, Elizabeth Doughty, Nancy Earnest, Geoff Summa (6:45). Also in attendance was Superintendent Ann Kirkpatrick and Sarah Klein.

Approval of Agenda for October 4, 2022- A motion was made by Elizabeth Doughty to approve the agenda for September 20, 2022. Seconded by Courtney Doughty. Motion passed 4-0-0.

Minutes from September 20, 2022- A motion was made by Nancy Earnest to approve the minutes for September 20, 2022. Seconded by Courtney Doughty. Motion passed 4-0-0.

Correspondence-none

Public Comment- none

Report from School Committee Chair- Jeff Putnam informed the School Committee that the new website is continuing to be worked on. Roll out is expected in early October. Jeff reminded the School Committee members that the next meeting will be on Saturday, October 15, 2022.

Report from Superintendent/Principal- Ann Kirkpatrick reported that the water system was flushed over the weekend and another sample had been taken. Although the water is safe to drink according to the test before the flush, the drinking water will continue to be bottled until we receive the results of this final water sample.

The school is a busy place during the day. October means the State Reports are open for us to start submitting student counts. Teachers and Staff have their 'assignments' for the workshop days. We are working on field trips for the students and ways to get the public back in the building to share their knowledge with the students. Also for the students to share their work with the community.

Report from Lead Teacher- Sarah Klein reminded the School Committee the classrooms have been establishing routines and expectations.

Old Business

Technology- A combination of Beverly Johnson's knowledge of the equipment and a call to Network Maine by Ann, we came to the same conclusion. The access points are a logical place to start by replacing them with newer ones that work together to keep the connection to the

internet regardless of moving around the building. The school is moving forward on replacing these access points. We will also be reviewing the Technology Plan for the School.

Barging the School Bus -

CTC can barge the school bus from April - November on Tuesdays through Thursday during high tide. The cost is \$190 one way. CTC can also barge on Mondays and Fridays during the same time for an additional cost of \$315 one way. If the barge needs to go into Yarmouth the cost is over \$500. This takes additional time and lands in Yarmouth versus Portland.

Lionel Plante can barge the bus 12 months out of the year from Chandlers right into Portland. Current charge is \$345 plus a fuel surcharge.

After School Programs- Starting next week (10/11) the after school programs offered by the school will end and students will need to be picked up at 4:30. The school will post for someone to stay from 4:30 - 5:00 if there is a need. Parents will be notified of any changes to the ending time of the programs

New Business

Handbook - the handbook was sent to the School Committee members to review and make suggestions.

Curriculum- Sarah Klein led a discussion about the reading, writing, spelling and handwriting programs that are used with the students. In math the classes use Everyday Math. The concern from the School Committee was if the teacher had the resources that they needed to teach and challenge the students. The teacher supplements the programs with computer programs that help the students practice the skill and or reinforce skills. The number of students and the multi-grades in a classroom make it difficult to use whole programs.

Teachers will be reviewing the 3 year rotation of social studies and science. These subjects are the focus of Forrest Fridays.

Warrant- There was a warrant to sign-
School Committee would like a review of the property valuations.

The School Committee adjourned at 7:40PM

Respectfully Submitted,

Ann C. Kirkpatrick; Superintendent