

Chebeague Island School Committee
Regular Meeting Minutes
November 1, 2022
6:00 P.M.

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 6:02 p.m. by Courtney Doughty. School Committee members in attendance were Elizabeth Doughty, Nancy Earnest, Geoff Summa. Absent Jeff Putnam. Also in attendance was Superintendent Ann Kirkpatrick and Lead Teacher Sarah Klein.

Approval of Agenda for November 1, 2022- A motion was made by Elizabeth Doughty to approve the agenda for November 1, 2022. Seconded by Geoff Summa. Motion passed 4-0-0.

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

Minutes from October 15, 2022- A motion was made by Nancy Earnest to approve the minutes for the October 15, 2022 joint meeting with Yarmouth School Committee. Seconded by Geoff Summa. Motion passed 4-0-0.

Correspondence-Carol White is keeping us informed about the water testing.

Public Comment- none

Report from School Committee Chair- none

Report from Superintendent/Principal- none

Report from Lead Teacher- Sarah Klein shared with the committee a paper with upcoming dates in November that the School Committee and community would be interested. We hope to have the new website; www.chebeagueschool.org launched and updated with the school's events.

Old Business

Guidance /Social Worker Update

Our Serving School post for a social worker has been updated to include "or Guidance Counselor". This will remain active through the end of the school year or until we find a permanent person to fill the position.

Barbara Sullivan is the Wellness Coach at the Long Island School. Sarah and Ann were able to have a conversation with Barbara. She has agreed to visit and work with Chebeague Island students for 5 days from now until Christmas Break.

Transition to Grade 6

Sarah Klien has been in contact with the guidance counselor and principal in Yarmouth to include our fifth grade student in the activities and field trips at the end of the year.

Technology-

Sarah Klien attended a technology workshop recently. In speaking with the Yarmouth Technology people she learned that they were instrumental in setting up and/or designing the technology infrastructure at Chebeague School. They came out last week and made some recommendations to improve connectivity of the internet once it is in the school.

The administration and teachers technology equipment is all fairly new; under five years. It was proposed to include \$5000 in the technology budget for updating the student's technology equipment.

New Business

Budget Timeline -

Ann Kirkpatrick handed out the dates of the School Committee meetings when the budget would be discussed. We will invite the select board to our February and March meetings so there is more information sharing before the joint meeting with them on April 11, 2023.

Staffing for Next Year-

The student count for next year is estimated at this time to be 11 students with 2 pre-kindergarteners joining us. It was generally agreed that pre-kindergarten will go 5 half days next year and will not be included in the K-1/2 classroom. Staff will have discussions on how this will work in the school.

Curriculum- Sarah Klein is meeting with the elementary teachers in Yarmouth on Wednesday, November 2 to share and exchange ideas around social studies and science curriculum. Updates will continue at the School Committee meetings.

Warrant- There was a warrant to sign-

The School Committee adjourned at 7:40PM
Respectfully Submitted,
Ann C. Kirkpatrick; Superintendent