

Chebeague Island School Committee
Regular Meeting Minutes
September 20, 2022
6:00 P.M.

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 6:03 p.m. by Jeff Putnam. School Committee members in attendance were Courtney Doughty, Elizabeth Doughty, Nancy Earnest, Geoff Summa. Also in attendance was Superintendent Ann Kirkpatrick and Carol White (7:15).

Approval of Agenda for September 20, 2022- A motion was made by Nancy Earnest to approve the agenda for September 20, 2022. Seconded by Geoff Summa. Motion passed 5-0-0.

Minutes from September 6, 2022- A motion was made by Courtney Doughty to approve the minutes for September 6, 2022. Seconded by Elizabeth Doughty. Motion passed 5-0-0.

Correspondence-

Public Comment: (7:00) Carol White spoke about the water testing results in the school. Carol is the water operator for Chebeague Island School and with that she tests the water as required by the State of Maine. The school has a new filtration system to remediate the presence of 'forever chemicals'. Recent water test results show that the carbon filter system is working. The water from the fountain and sinks are 100% drinkable and may be used for cooking. The system will be sanitized on a Friday to make sure that the pipes are clean. Carol will look into the use of the outdoor water spigots to determine if they are at the same level of sanitation as the indoor pipes. Carol also recommended that we start budgeting for the maintenance of the filtration system and water testing.

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.

Report from Superintendent/Principal- Ann Kirkpatrick had a chance to update the School Committee on some emails from the MSBA.

Report from Lead Teacher- Sarah Klein had a written report that was shared with the School Committee. Some highlights include a successful trip to Cow Island last Friday, island visiting between Chebeague, Cliff and Long will start happening once per month, there needs to be some attention to the technology access points in the school and finally we are studying the need to go to 5:00 vs 4:30 in the afterschool programs.

Old Business

Lunch Program- Maine Department of Education- nutrition will be reviewing our lunch program this year. Kaitlyn from the MDOE was onsite today to inspect the kitchen and help us with the paperwork for getting reimbursed for our meals. Polly shared some of the recipes that she uses in the lunch and breakfast/snack program. CIS uses a considerable reduced amount of sugar then the state requires with their ingrediance. The reimbursement rate for lunch is \$4.25 and snack is \$2.18. We will not be reimbursed for milk because they require skim or 1% milk in flavors regular, chocolate or strawberry to be served. CIS serve whole milk. The paperwork for this program will be divided between the Superintendent, Administrative assistance and food services.

Bus Update- The red check engine light came on after the morning trip(9/20). It will go into a “D rate” and will not be able to be driven. Plans have been made to barge the bus on Tuesday, September 20 in the evening and be towed Wednesday morning to Kennebunk for service.

New Business

Technology Update- The internet continues to have a weak signal that does not allow multiple computers to be accessing it. The internet signal is not strong enough to download. Before access points are replaced, we will contact the provider.

Budget- FY22- the last warrant had some bills that needed to be entered on to the year’s expense journal. Once that is completed, the FY22 budget will be forwarded to the School Committee members.

Budget FY23- The Bookkeeper and I are going to stay up to date as much as possible so the work of tracking expenses to the correct cost center and line does not get overwhelming to either of us.

Policy KE- Resolving Complaints The School Committee will read over the 2 policies. Edits can be emailed or paper copies dropped off to the school by Monday.

Policies BEDH, BBA, BBAA, BCA should be reviewed on the paper copy that was handed to determine if changes need to be made.

Warrant- There was a warrant to sign

The School Committee adjourned at 7:40PM

Respectfully Submitted,

Ann C. Kirkpatrick; Superintendent