

Pittsburg School Board Meeting Minutes

Date	March 25, 2019
Time	6:00 p.m.
Location	Pittsburg School Conference Room
Chairperson	Toby Owen

Attendance

Attendance Legend: **P** – Present **E** – Excused Absence **A** – Absent

School Board Members				Principals		SAU Members	
P	Lindsey Gray	P	Jamie Gray	P	Elaine Sherry	P	Bruce Beasley
P	Bob Ormsbee	P	Billie Paquette			P	Cheryl Covill
P	Toby Owen						

Public in Attendance:

Minutes

Item	Subject	Action
1.	The meeting was called to order at 6:04 p.m. by Chairman, Toby Owen and opened with the Pledge of Allegiance	
2.	Hearing of the Public: None	
3.	Agenda Adjustments: None	
4.	Reading of the Minutes: <u>B/ Paquette / J. Gray:</u> Motion to accept the minutes of March 18, 2019 as presented.	Vote: Unanimous
5.	Policy Review: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Section J Policies <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ JICD – Student Discipline and Due Process ○ JICD-R – Memorandum of Understanding ○ JICDA A – Employee-Student Relations ○ JICDD – Student Discipline / Out-of- School Actions ○ JICE – Student Publications ○ JICE-R – Student Publications / Productions Website Publications ○ JICEA – Student Productions ○ JICF – Gang Activity ○ JICFA – Hazing ○ JICG – Tobacco Products Ban Use and Possession in and on School Facilities and Grounds ○ JICG-R – Disciplinary Procedures for Tobacco Products Ban ○ JICH – Drug and Alcohol Use by Students ○ JICH-R – Drug and Alcohol Use by Students Disciplinary Process <p><u>J. Gray / B. Paquette:</u> Motion to approve policies JICD-JICH-R as presented</p>	Vote: Unanimous
6.	Special Reports: None	
7.	School Administrator’s Report: Elaine Sherry <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mary Jolles delivered books from Kiwanis for grades K-8 • Tammy Jeralds “Simmer Down” cooking class is selling baked goods through the school store 	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Administrative Day was dismissed early due to inclement weather • Student Council is still working on the cell phone policy • E. Sherry asked the Board if they would support her applying for funds to be used for course reimbursement, above the funds available under CBA. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ SAU will look into available funds under the CBA and grants. 	
8.	<p>Superintendent's Report: Bruce Beasley</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Updated the Board on Friday's Professional Development Day in Pittsburg. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Due to inclement weather and traveling distance for staff and presenters, the day ended at lunch time. • NHSAA Legislative Update: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ HB 489: Educational Manifestation Hardship ○ Senate Bill 282: Suicide prevention training ○ HB 709: Adequate Education – blending with other bills • Upcoming Meetings: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ April 1st – Collaborative Meeting ○ April 4th – Connecticut River Collaborative Exploratory Committee ○ April 5th – Career Day at White Mountains Community College ○ April 8th – Pittsburg School Board meeting ○ April 11th - SAU #7 Policy Committee ○ April 17th – Joint meeting with Clarksville School Board (6:30 p.m.) ○ April 18th – SAU #7 Spring Meeting ○ April 29th – Pittsburg School Board (changed from April 22nd) 	
9.	<p>Business Administrator's Report: Cheryl Covill</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Discussed the vacant School District Treasurer position as of June 30th. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Consensus of the board to place an ad in the local newspapers • The joint meeting with Clarksville is scheduled for April 17th in Clarksville at 6:30 p.m. if the Pittsburg Board is available. • Request for Facility Use <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Ashley Hodge, President/Coach of Girls' Little League, is requesting use of the gym for indoor practice. ○ Approximately 15 children will practice 1.5 hours three times weekly. ○ She understands this practice would have to be scheduled so as not to interfere with varsity practice. ○ Jenn Mathieu will be assisting ○ Consensus of the Board to allow the Girls Little League to use the gym provided they have the required insurance. • Funding <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Request funding to add a night bell to the paging system to reach the custodians before/after school hours. Cost is \$257.90 <p><u>B. Paquette / T. Owen:</u> Motion to approve funding for a night bell to reach custodians before and after school hours.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Request funding for an annual license to upgrade iPads in use. ○ Cost is \$5.50 per license for 35 iPads – Total \$192.50. <p><u>J. Gray / B. Paquette:</u> Motion to approve purchase of licenses for iPads in use.</p> • Lead Testing <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Results of the recent water testing revealed that water from 4 sinks exceeded the state limit of lead content of 0.015. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Basement girls' locker room ▪ Room 303B sink 	<p>Vote: Unanimous</p> <p>Vote: Unanimous</p>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Library office sink ▪ Room 405 sink ○ Will be retesting a couple of sinks in April due to location and similar piping • Insurance Rates <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ The health insurance rate has been set and is 19.3% increase over last year and 1.10% less than projected. • Bangor Savings Bank <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ This is a Maine Charter Bank not a Federal Charter Bank ○ Will need to transfer accounts to an NH Charter Bank per RSA 197:23-a • Shared Positions Next Year <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Need clarification on students taking courses at the other schools. ○ Current policy states that if a core class is offered in Pittsburg, the student must take it in Pittsburg. 	
10.	<p>Unfinished Business:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cell phone policy <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Student Council still working on this policy • CIS Update <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ CIS Diagnostic Review Power Point 	
11.	<p>New Business:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Community Forum <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Distributed a draft ad for the Pittsburg Public Forum on the future of education in Pittsburg <p><u>T. Owen / J. Gray:</u> Motion to approve the ad submitted for review regarding the public forum.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Outlined options and what it means if Pittsburg re-opened discussions with the other school districts. ○ T. Owen will be the public forum facilitator ○ Discussed revising the wording in the ad <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Replace “collaborative” with “neighboring communities”. <p><u>T. Owen / J. Gray:</u> Motion to change the ad to read “opportunities with neighboring communities”.</p>	<p>Vote: Unanimous</p> <p>Vote: Unanimous</p>
12.	<p>Other Business:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Toby Owen hosted a field trip to his sugar house operation 	
13.	<p>Meetings:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pittsburg School Board Meeting: April 8, 2019 • SAU #7 Spring Meeting: April 18, 2019 in Colebrook 	
14.	<p><u>B. Paquette / J. Gray</u> Motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:18 p.m.</p>	<p>Vote: Unanimous</p>
<p>Respectfully Submitted by:</p> <p>Cheryl Covill, Business Administrator</p>		