

Stewartstown School Board Meeting Minutes

Date	December 3, 2018
Time	4:15 p.m.
Location	Stewartstown Community School Library
Chairperson	Philip Pariseau

Attendance

Attendance Legend: **P** – Present **A** – Absent

School Board Members				Principals		SAU Members	
P	Kathleen Covell	P	Philip Pariseau	P	Jennifer Mathieu	P	Bruce Beasley
P	Kara Sweatt					P	Cheryl Covill

Public in Attendance: None

Item	Subject	Action
1.	The meeting was called to order at 4:23 pm <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Roll Call – all present 	
2.	Adjustments to the Agenda:	
3.	Hearing of the Public:	
4.	Reading of the Minutes: <u>K. Covell/K. Sweatt</u> : To approve the minutes of November 5, 2018	Vote: Unanimous
5.	Policy Review (30 Minutes) – Student Handbook: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> No policies to review at this meeting 	
6.	School Administrator’s Report: Jennifer Mathieu <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Recently the SAU 7 principals spent some time going through the Atlas program, which houses all the UbD units. The Hour of Code takes place each year during Computer Science Education Week, December 3-9 this year. Great things are happening at SCS: monthly family nights; meteorologist Sean Parker from Local News 22 visited grades 6 & 7; student of the month and honor roll ceremonies are well attended, as was the Thanksgiving meal hosted by our kitchen. We have received an abundance of positive comments from students, staff, families, and community members regarding the kitchen relations/food this year. Toni and Pam are doing a phenomenal job! 	
7	Superintendent’s Report: Bruce Beasley <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Collaborative Committee will meet on December 6 in Stewartstown. We want to make sure information is out to the public early. GEAR UP held a regional meeting on 11/28 in Gorham. Arlene Allard and other staff from SAU 7 joined me. Some time was spent discussing a program called i-tutor that GEAR UP NH is willing to invest in for cohort schools. I have visited the school on several occasions. As always, the students are welcoming, the staff is awesome, and the culture is second to none. I am always amazed at the number of staff that willingly stay late to participate in activities that involve the Stewartstown students. 	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • I also stopped into Kim Sweatt’s woods class and asked her how things are going with the Stewartstown kids. She was very complimentary of their manners, they work ethic, and their willingness to work with her on the projects. • Basketball season is underway. • It was great to see the Stewartstown kids participating in the play in Pittsburg. 	
8.	<p>Business Administrator’s Report: Cheryl Covill</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cheryl has been working on the budgets and Infrastructure funds – phone company needs to use same lines. • Johnson Controls – mistakes were made in the bid, but Cheryl believes they need to live with them. They want more money for the rotating head on camera. • Bus 26 – 39 passenger has emissions problems. It was towed to Gorham. It did cost extra money to fix it. • The part time SAU employee has left. We are interviewing two people. • We may need to employ help from outside for Technology. • The amber lights were out on the Colebrook bus, so Bruce called Phil to get permission to use Bus 16. 	
9.	<p>Unfinished Business:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Collaborative Committee Update: The proposal most likely to be brought to the public hearings will be for PreK – Grade 4 students from Stewartstown, Canaan, and Beecher Falls to come to Stewartstown; after that students will be able to go to Colebrook or Pittsburg for Grades 5 – 8; the all High School students will go to CMHS. Bruce believes the public will want the option explored deeper. Everyone will lose something. Students numbers will be about the same. We still need to decide how this will be funded and what staff changes may be needed. 	
10.	<p>New Business:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cheryl went over the proposed changes in the 2019-2020 budget. Question was raised on whether Stewartstown wanted to remain a member of NCES. Currently, appropriations are up \$150,000. • We have a request from a Canaan teacher who wants their children to ride the Stewartstown bus from Colebrook to Canaan after school. It was not recommended as there are too many changes. The CE student would have to change buses at CA. • A light dinner will be served at the SAU Winter meeting. 	
11.	<p>Upcoming Meetings:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Connecticut River Collaborative Meeting: December 6 at 6:00 pm at SCS • SAU #7 Budget Hearing and Winter Meeting: December 13 at 6:00 pm at SCS • Stewartstown School Board Meeting: January 7, 2019 	
12.	<p>Adjournment: <u>K. Covell/K. Sweatt:</u> To adjourn at 6:00 pm.</p>	Vote: Unanimous
<p>Respectfully Submitted, Patricia E. Grover, Minutes Taker</p>		