LINCOLN-WOODSTOCK COOPERATIVE SCHOOL BOARD

SAU #68

DATE: May 8, 2019

MEETING MINUTES

**SCHOOL BOARD PRESENT**: **ADMINISTRATION/STAFF PRESENT**:

Tony Drapeau, Chairperson Judith McGann, Superintendent of Schools

Vance Pickering Scott Currier, Principal

Jasmine Weeden Deb O’Connor, Financial Manager

Joe Bossie Rebecca Steeves, Teacher Representative

Jay Duguay

**PUBLIC PRESENT**:

Mark Houde

Sheila Rich

**CALL TO ORDER – TRUST FUND PUBLIC HEARING**:

Tony Drapeau called the bond hearing to order at 6:30 pm.

Three quotes for replacement of the garbage disposal unit in the school kitchen were received. The quotes were reviewed by the School Board. The School Board asked Mark Houde for his opinion. The Hobart model was recommended. The unit comes with a 5-year warranty.  
  
Jay Duguay made a motion up to $1,500 from the Equipment trust fund be approved for the replacement of the garbage disposal. Joe Bossie seconded the motion. All School Board members in attendance voted to approve the motion.

**ADJOURNMENT TO REGULAR SCHEDULED SCHOOL BOARD MEETING:**  
A motion to adjourn to the School Board meeting was made by Vance Pickering at 6:37 pm. The motion was seconded by Jay Duguay. All School Board members in attendance voted to approve the motion.

**CALL TO ORDER**

Tony Drapeau called to order the School Board meeting at 6:38 pm.

**MINUTES**:

1. Minutes of April 17, 2019 – With a minor correction to the New Business – Grading System section a motion was made to approve the minutes of April 17, 2019 by Vance Pickering. The motion was seconded by Joe Bossie. Vance Pickering abstained. All other School Board members in attendance voted to approve the motion.
2. Non-public Minutes of April 17, 2019 – Approval moved to next meeting.

**CORRESPONDENCE:**

1. An invitation to attend the North Country Charter Academy Celebration in Whitefield on June 1st was received by Tony Drapeau. As he will not be able to attend he asked if any other School Board member would like to attend.
2. A thank you note addressed to the School Board was received from Kristie Morris thanking them for the continued opportunity to teach at Lin-Wood all of these years.

**REPORTS:**

1. **BUSINESS ADMINISTRATOR REPORT:**  
   Deb O’Connor reported that the check manifests were being circulated. The open enrollment period for benefits is starting. Orders for next year’s budget items are being received. The next steps in the bond process will be discussed later in the meeting.
2. **SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT:**  
   Superintendent McGann informed the School Board that a meeting with Cobb Hill regarding upcoming projects had been taking place and currently everything was on-schedule.  
   The Middle School windows were installed during April vacation and look great.  
   The air conditioning unit is in and complete.  
   The survey results regarding MS/HS schedules was once again included in the packet given to the School Board for further discussion later in the meeting. Superintendent McGann and Deb O’Connor attended the funding meeting which was held in Plymouth. Information received at the meeting describing the current school funding system was provided to the School Board.  
   There will be a Safety Committee meeting held on Monday, 5/13.  
   Communication was sent to the team of people assisting the School Board with strategic planning. They will be available to meet with the School Board this summer. School Board goals should be provided in advance so they can figure out the strategic plan.  
   The flooring bid is included in the packet.
3. **PRINCIPAL’S REPORT:**  
   Principal Scott Currier reported that May 4th Lin-Wood hosted the North Country Music Festival throughout the day and it culminated in a concert later that day. Thank you to Thom and Barb for their work to make sure that the event happened. May 7th was the Spring Choral Concert. Principal Currier thanked the PTA for the things they are doing for Teacher Appreciation Week. The Admin team made breakfast for the staff the morning of May 8th. The prom will be held Saturday, May 11. There will also be a post-prom event held by Adapt. May 15th will be an in-service day showing Resilience film at 12:30. May 16th is the Elementary Revue.
4. **COMMITTEE REPORTS:**   
     
   a. Technology Committee – The Technology Committee met on May 7th. They discussed the new law.   
    Trey Aldridge reviewed new standards and new curriculum with the committee.  
     
   b. Facilities Committee – Will be meeting on May 22nd. The goal is to develop a plan for the piping project.  
    Wayne Fillion’s report is included in the packet.  
     
   c. Policy Committee – Met prior to the May 8th School Board meeting. They will be sending a group of updated  
    policies for first reading at the next School Board meeting on May 22nd.

**BUSINESS REQUIRING BOARD ACTION:**

* 1. Staff Nominations, recommendations and Resignations – Jaimie Dupuis, Special Education Teacher and Michelle O’Connell, Paraprofessional have decided to not renew their contracts and will be resigning effective the end of the current school year. Vance Pickering made a motion to accept their resignations for the end of the school year. Jay Duguay seconded the motion. All School Board members in attendance voted in favor and thanked Jaimie and Michelle for their service.
  2. Elementary MPR Flooring Bids – The warrant article approved up to $50,000. Contract is under that amount. Joe Bossie asked if there was a warranty. Mark Houde did not have the information with him and would check. Tony Drapeau asked if Mark Houde had seen the product selected on-site. Mark Houde responded that he had not but had discussed with Stuart Anderson and has seen similar products. Vance Pickering made a motion to accept the contract. Jasmine Weeden seconded the motion. All School Board members in attendance voted in favor of accepting the contract.
  3. Bond Bank Loan Agreement – Deb O’Connor reported to the School Board that the application for the bond bank has been approved for the bond sale in June. The next step in the process is the loan agreement, which needs to be approved by the School Board. Jay Duguay made a motion to approve the loan agreement. Joe Bossie seconded the motion. All School Board members in attendance voted in favor of approving the loan agreement.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

1. Elementary Playground Sign – At the next meeting on May 22nd, Stuart Anderson would like to come with students in Early Act to share ideas for a new elementary playground sign.
2. Assistant Principal Doyle would like to present the new elementary math program to the School Board at the May 22nd meeting.

**CONTINUING BUSINESS:**

1. Schedule Survey – Vance Pickering mentioned that it appears that approximately 40 High School students did not participate in the survey. Principal Currier stated that some students had chosen not to take the survey.  
     
   Tony Drapeau asked to know how people are utilizing the time provided by the extended classes. He believes there may have been too many questions and not perhaps age appropriate for some students. Principal Currier mentioned that they were all asked the same questions for consistency throughout the various groups surveyed.  
   Tony Drapeau feels that the expanded class time is not what the middle school wants. Jay Duguay thought it might be attention span problem for some Middle School students. The schedule is usually reviewed in the summer. Superintendent McGann believes the data needs to be reviewed and the system tweaked.

**RECOGNITION OF VISITORS/PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:**1. Students - None  
  
2. Staff –   
  
From Carol Smith is very pleased to tell you that the public and school libraries were successful in obtaining a grant from the Children’s Literacy Foundation. We will be receiving $500 worth of new children’s books; two storytelling presentations (one in the fall and one in the spring) for all elementary students; and the opportunity for all elementary students to select two new books of their choice at the spring storytelling event. The public library and the childcare center will also benefit from the grant.   
  
From Mrs. Krill – Some of our HS students have been invited to perform heir Poetry Out Loud poems at the Frost Place on May 22 with students from Lisbon, Profile, Littleton and the White Mountain School. Also, Lin-Wood was one of 10 community organizations to receive recognition at the First Annual children’s Mental Health Matters Awards due to our high percentage of students who participated in the Magnify Voices Film and Essay competition. Lastly, sign-ups have begun for our 13th season of Girls of Summer!

From Mrs. Nicoll and Ms. Avard – They would like to report that our third graders did an outstanding job presenting poems of their choice to the elementary school community and parents on April 16th. One May 30th at 12:00 they will present their Native American research as well.

From Ms. Pamplin and Ms. Steeves – They would like to share that they had a successful collaboration on May 8th between kindergarten and grade 7 with the MS students presenting information about wood frogs. They created a card game, poster, original book and a puppet show with a sing along. Thanks to a late evening walk with Ms. Halm, both classrooms are raising frog eggs and learning about vernal pools. Seventh graders really stepped it up to make some fun projects; we all enjoyed seeing the mix of students ask each other good questions, share what they know and learn about science.  
  
3. Community – None

**ADJOURNMENT –** Jay Duguay made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Vance Pickering seconded the motion. All School Board members present voted in favor.

Respectfully submitted,

Jeanette M. Fecteau, SAU Administrative Assistant