

Pittsburg School Board Meeting Minutes

Date	11/09/2020						
Time	6:00 pm						
Location	Pittsburg School Library						
Chairperson	Toby Owen						
School Board Members							
School Board Members			Principal		SAU Members		
P	Jamie Gray	E	Toby Owen	P	Elaine Sherry	P	Debra Taylor
P	Lindsey Gray					P	Cheryl Covill
P	Bob Ormsbee						
Public in Attendance:							

Roll Call / Pledge of Allegiance: The meeting was called to order at 6:10 pm by Vice-Chairman Bobby Ormsbee and opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Adjustments to the Agenda:

- Resignation – New Business

Hearing of the Public:

- To expend up to \$25,000 from the Facilities and Maintenance Fund for the kitchen suppression system and renovating bathrooms.

J. Gray / L. Gray: Motion to approve withdrawing from the Facilities and Maintenance Fund for the kitchen suppression system and renovation of the bathrooms.

VOTE: MOTION CARRIES

Reading of the Minutes:

J. Gray/L. Gray: Motion to approve the October 26, 2020 minutes.

VOTE: MOTION CARRIES

Connecticut River Collaborative Exploratory Committee:

- 4 Major Items were discussed last Thursday:
 - Naming of the group
 - Governance
 - Progress on the Articles of Agreement
 - Progress on the finance review
- Sub-committees will meet and work on a presentation to the Committee
- Discussed the potential Curriculum proposal

Policy Review: None

Special Reports: None

School Administrator's Report:

- Reviewed the fall sports tournament results
- Remote Learning – Arrangements have been made for the Parents/students to pick-up materials.

Superintendent's Report:

- New websites for all schools and SAU 7 have been completed
 - Highlights include: updated information for parents and community, links for students and parents for grades and google classroom, School Board Agenda and Minutes, and School Board Policies.
- Curriculum Instruction and Assessment
 - SAU #7 and ENSU intend to scale and deepen their implementation of personalized learning through a collaborative effort.
- Substitute Teachers
 - Slow, but steady progress on recruiting substitute teachers.
 - Severe staffing shortage in this area.
- Communications during these challenging times
 - Only communication information about the effect of COVID-19 on our schools through official channels.
 - We must honor confidentiality requirements.
 - Inaccurate information that relates to school operations should be referred to Dr. Taylor.

Business Administrator's Report:

- Technology Coordinator was able to secure additional Chromebooks to cover as many grades as possible.
- Governor has provided an additional \$45M of which \$35M is available to the school districts.
 - Guidelines: Each district will receive funds within a couple of weeks
 - Constraints: must be expended and in service by December 30, 2020 for COVID expenses.
- All CARES funds must be budgeted before November 6th
 - Funds were distributed based on student residents - Pittsburg received \$ 9,800.
- Clarksville received \$3,600 and they voted to transfer the funds to Pittsburg.
- Meals have been offered to Pittsburg, Clarksville, and Stewartstown.

Unfinished Business:

- Budget Discussion 2021 – 2022
 - First Draft will be distributed at the next meeting
- Town Library update
 - On hold for now due to school closure

New Business:

- RFP – School Reports
 - Received 2 Bids
 - Smith and Town – Berlin 92 pages
 - 200 reports \$ 1,015.00
 - 225 reports \$ 1,104.00
 - Liebl Printing 110 inside pages 200 copies
 - 200 reports \$978.73
 - Colored \$1,080.40

J. Gray/L Gray: Motion to approve Liebl Printing's bid for \$978.73 for 110 pages and 200 copies
VOTE: MOTION CARRIES

- Elaine Sherry has submitted her letter of resignation as of June 30, 2021.

J Gray/L Gray: Motion to accept Elaine Sherry's resignation with regrets.

VOTE: MOTION CARRIES

Other Business: None

Meeting Dates:

- SAU #7 Board Meeting: Thursday, November 12, 2020 @ 6:00 pm – CA&ES cafeteria
- Pittsburg School Board Meeting: Monday, November 23, 2020 @ 6:00 pm

Adjournment:

J. Gray / B. Ormsbee: Motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:41 pm

VOTE: MOTION CARRIES

Respectfully Submitted,
Cheryl Covill
Business Administrator

Adopted 11/23/2020