

# Pittsburg School Board Meeting Minutes

<b>Date</b>	11/12/2019
<b>Time</b>	6:00 p.m.
<b>Location</b>	Pittsburg School Conference Room
<b>Chairperson</b>	Toby Owen

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

**Public in Attendance:**

**Roll Call:**

- The meeting was called to order at 6:05 pm by Chairman Toby Owen and opened with the Pledge of Allegiance

**Adjustments to the Agenda:**

Superintendent Beasley added an item – North Country Master Schedule discussion

**Hearing of the Public:** None

**Reading of the Minutes:**

L. Gray / T. Owen: Motion to approve the minutes of October 28, 2019

VOTE: Motion Carried

**Connecticut River Collaborative Exploratory Committee:**

- Superintendent Beasley updated the board on the committee’s work. They are continuing to work on the number of staff currently employed in each curriculum area.
- Superintendent Beasley also shared with the board the four potential models that are being explored. Board members expressed their concerns and support.
  - Areas of concern include losing governance of their own building and the condition of other buildings being proposed.
- Superintendent Beasley noted that there is a Board Chairs meeting on 11/13/19.

**Policy Review:** see Unfinished Business

**Special Reports:**

- None

**School Administrator’s Report:** Elaine Sherry

- Elaine shared that some of the para subs are not taking the jobs because of the pay rate.
- Play practice is under way for Shrek
- The basketball season gets underway on 12/6
- The staff is exploring a ski program at Burke Mountain for grades 7-12

**Superintendent’s Report:** Bruce Beasley

- Superintendent Beasley has been at the school for a couple of weeks teaching math. He noted how much he has enjoyed teaching and having lunch with the kids.
- Superintendent Beasley also noted that the Honor Society Induction went well and the Boston trip for seniors went well.

### **Business Administrator's Report:**

- The Safe Schools Committee met. Law enforcement is looking at additional ALERT training and the district is looking to train staff members as certified ALICE instructors. There is training in Wells River in February.

### **Unfinished Business:**

- AREA Agreement:

L. Gray / B. Ormsbee: Motion to approve the AREA Agreement as written

VOTE: Motion Carried

- Policy KD rev:

L. Gray / T. Owen: Motion to approve Policy KD as written

VOTE: Motion Carried

- Policy KD-R rev:

L. Gray / T. Owen: Motion to approve Policy KD-R as written

VOTE: Motion Carried

- Policy GBEBD rev:

T. Owen / B. Paquette: Motion to approve Policy GBEBD as written

VOTE: Motion carried

- Pittsburg Policy IGAF – PE Credit Policy: No discussion; removed from Agenda – will bring up again at a future meeting.

### **New Business:**

- Staffing Update:

T. Owen / B. Paquette: Motion to accept the resignation of Andrew Merdinyan.

VOTE: Motion Carried

T. Owen / B. Paquette: Motion to hire John Bean for the remainder of the 19-20 school year.

VOTE: Motion Carried

T. Owen / B. Paquette: Motion to hire Kaitlin Wood as the new basketball coach for 7/8 grade girls and boys

VOTE: Motion Carried

T. Owen / B. Paquette: Motion to hire Ed Wood as the assistant coach for 7/8 grade girls and boys

VOTE: Motion Carried

T. Owen / B. Paquette: Motion to approve Holly Paquette and Chris Paquette to co-coach 5/6 grade girls and boys

T. Owen / B. Paquette: Motion to hire Bridger Dewitt as the basketball timer for all games

VOTE: Motion Carried

- 20-21 Budget:

The board decided to initially budget \$25,000 into the Bus Trust Fund and \$25,000 into the Building Trust Fund

- North Country Master Schedule:

Superintendent Beasley asked if the board was interested in having the Collaborative Group (including Principals, School Counselors and other Administrators) prepare a North Country Master Schedule, which will be shared with the board once complete. After some resistance, the board approved to look at a Master Schedule, but not to commit at this point.

**Information:** None

**Non-Public:** None

**Other Business:** None

**Meeting Dates:**

- Pittsburg School Board Meeting: Monday, November 25, 2019 @ 6:00 pm

**Adjournment:**

T. Owen / B. Paquette: Motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:57 pm

VOTE: Motion Carried

Respectfully Submitted,  
Bruce Beasley  
Superintendent

*Approved by Pittsburg School Board on 11/25/2019*