

Pittsburg School Board Meeting Minutes

Date	04/26/2021						
Time	6:00 pm						
Location	Pittsburg School library computer lab						
Chairperson	Toby Owen						
School Board Members							
School Board Members				Principal		SAU Members	
E	Jamie Gray	P	Toby Owen	P	Elaine Sherry	P	Debra Taylor
P	Lindsey Gray	P	Reggie Parker			P	Cheryl Covill
P	Bob Ormsbee (entered 6:10)						
Public in Attendance: Jillian Kilborn							

Roll Call / Pledge of Allegiance: The meeting was called to order at 6:00 pm by Chairman Toby Owen and opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Adjustments to the Agenda:

- Add Non-Public Session at the end of the meeting.

Hearing of the Public:

- Jillian, a Biologist from Lancaster, presented a program to preserve the Cliff Swallow which is on the endangered species list. Pittsburg is a stronghold for Cliff Swallows.
 - She is working with a researcher from Massachusetts who develops artificial nests. They are made from clay pots which you can attach to a building.
 - The nest must be cleaned out annually. Jill has spoken with April Wallace, who is interested in monitoring the birds. She will do a presentation with the students. Jill is looking into working with April on May 13th.

R. Parker / L. Gray: Motion to authorize Fish and Game and the School District to investigate installing Cliff Swallow housing. VOTE: YEA – 3, ABSTAIN – 1 (B. Ormsbee)

- Discussed the invasion of a species called Knot Weed which is located on the school property. There is a new process to choke out the weed using mesh material, rather than chemical use.
 - Jillian is willing to work with a local conservation group to eradicate the invasion of the species and manage the area. April Wallace is interested in working with Jillian and having her students observe.

Reading of the Minutes:

L. Gray / R. Parker: Motion to approve the minutes of April 12, 2021.
VOTE: MOTION CARRIES

Connecticut River Collaborative Exploratory Committee:

- A meeting was held on April 13, 2021.
- Committee discussed the 2 models.
- David shared the Pittsburg School plan.
- Discussed looking into funding for a new high school.
- Formed a committee to study the location of the high school.

Policy Review: None

Special Reports: None

School Administrator's Report: Elaine Sherry

- Tom Ledue worked with the teachers last week.
 - The staff is working on building PLC.
- Ann Mordecai worked with the staff reviewing the assessments and state standards.

Superintendent's Report: Debra Taylor

- Martha VanderWolk will not be returning next year.
 - She presented an alternative proposal to mentor a new teacher.

Business Administrator's Report: Cheryl Covill

- Transportation
- Replacement of Equipment
 - Update on the Kitchen Refrigerator quotes from the last meeting
 - Optimum Food Service Conway \$5,220
 - Douglas Equipment \$4,458
 - Douglas Equipment did not meet the quote specifications. Requested Stainless Steel exterior and interior. They quoted on aluminum. Service information was not available.
 - Optium from North Conway met the specifications.
 - Both vendors did not quote delivery and installation. The cost would be an additional \$700 for delivery and installation. This would ensure the unit was in working order and not damaged upon delivery.

T. Owen / L. Gray: Motion to award the RFP based on the best option for the school district.

VOTE: MOTION CARRIES

- Budget Analysis
 - Distributed a copy of the Budget Analysis to be discussed at the next board meeting.

Unfinished Business: None

New Business:

- Program Assurances- Consulted with the school board and reviewed the General Assurances, Requirements, and Definitions for Participation in Federal Programs.

B. Ormsbee / L. Gray: Motion to approve submitting the Program Assurances Requirements and Definitions for Participation in the Federal Programs as presented and discussed at the board meeting.

VOTE: MOTION CARRIES

Other Business: None

Next Meeting:

- Pittsburg School Board Meeting: Monday, May 10, 2021, @ 6:00 pm – Pittsburg School library computer lab

Non-Public Session:

T. Owen / L. Gray: Motion to go into non-public session per RSA 91-A:3 II(a) at 7:11 pm.

ROLL CALL VOTE: L. Gray – yes, R. Parker – yes, B. Ormsbee – yes, T. Owen – yes

- Elaine Sherry and Debra Taylor were invited to the non-public session.
- Cheryl Covill left the meeting at 7:12 pm

Respectfully Submitted,
Cheryl Covill
Business Administrator

L. Gray / T. Owen: Motion to exit non-public session at 7:55 pm.

ROLL CALL VOTE: L. Gray – yes, R. Parker – yes, B. Ormsbee – yes, T. Owen – yes

Adjournment:

L. Gray / T. Owen: Motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:55 pm.

VOTE: MOTION CARRIES

Respectfully Submitted,
Debra J. Taylor
Superintendent

Adopted 05/24/2021