

Pittsburg School Board Meeting Minutes

Date	11/23/2020
Time	6:00 pm
Location	Pittsburg School Library
Chairperson	Toby Owen

School Board Members				Principal		SAU Members	
P	Jamie Gray	P	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 6:02 pm by Chairman Toby Owen and opened with the Pledge of Allegiance

Adjustments to the Agenda: None

Hearing of the Public: None

Reading of the Minutes:

B. Ormsbee / L. Gray: Motion to approve the November 9, 2020 minutes.

VOTE: MOTION CARRIES

Connecticut River Collaborative Exploratory Committee:

- The next meeting will be held on December 21st at 6:00pm

Policy Review: None

Special Reports: None

School Administrator's Report:

- School will be in remote session until after the Holiday break.
- Basketball season is on hold at this point in time.
 - Board inquired about cancelling the season.
 - After discussion it was decided to hold off until January.
- Administrative Assistant position is open. The position has been advertised.
- Looking for a long-term sub for Physical Education.
- The SAU is in the process of ordering 5 hotspots for Pittsburg students without internet access.

Superintendent's Report: Debra Taylor (see attached)

- Curriculum Instruction and Assessment
 - The curriculum committee was initiated and held their first meeting on November 16th.
 - The Collaborative VT and NH Committee is working together to facilitate this system and disseminate information to teachers.
 - Early Release days will be devoted toward the Curriculum work.
- Remote Learning
 - Staff, families and students have been significantly impacted by the rise in COVID cases.
 - SAU #7 is also experiencing staffing challenges due to substitute teacher shortages and strict travel guidance requiring quarantining after non-essential travel.

- Consequently, the schools had to continue remote learning
- Communication
 - Efforts are ongoing, but include:
 - New websites; Updates on Facebook and Twitter; and Parent Forums
- Looking ahead to 2021
 - Out of challenge comes opportunity!
 - Superintendent goals

T. Owen / J. Gray: Motion to authorize the Superintendent to hire a long-term substitute teacher for Physical Education.

VOTE: MOTION CARRIES

Business Administrator’s Report: Cheryl Covill

- Continuing food service deliveries during the month of December
- Work continues throughout the facilities
- Suppression system – delayed to April
- Duct work plan in the process of revision for cost saving and efficiency
- Discussed Principal Position
- Advertised Anticipated Principal position opening and look at alternative option

Unfinished Business:

New Business:

- Budget 2021 – 2022
- Distributed copies of the Proposed budget for 2021 - 2022
- Reviewed the preliminary proposed budget

Other Business: None

Information: None

Meeting Dates:

- SAU #7 Board Meeting: Thursday, December 10, 2020 @ 6:00 pm – Pittsburg cafeteria
- Pittsburg School Board Meeting: Monday, December 14, 2020 @ 6:00 pm

Adjournment:

T. Owen / J. Gray: Motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:44 pm.

VOTE: MOTION CARRIES

Respectfully Submitted,
Cheryl Covill
Business Administrator

Adopted 12/14/2020