

Pittsburg School Board Meeting Minutes

Date	September 9, 2019
Time	6:00 p.m.
Location	Pittsburg School Conference Room
Chairperson	Toby Owen

Attendance

Attendance Legend: **P** - Present **E** - Excused Absence **A** - Absent

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

Public in Attendance: Steve and Andrea Hodge, Bridger DeWitt

Minutes

Item	Subject	Action
1.	The meeting was called to order at 6:06 p.m. by Vice-Chairperson, B. Ormsbee and opened with the Pledge of Allegiance	
2.	Adjustments to the Agenda: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • None 	
3.	<p>Hearing of the Public:</p> <p>Steve and Andrea Hodge discussed the new parent school visitation policy</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • School Board adopted a policy establishing a procedure for parents walking their child to class and parent visitation during lunch. The policy established a family table if the parents visit during lunch. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Discussed impact on other students ○ Outside food being brought in for only some students ○ Students Food Allergies • Add under Unfinished Business at the next meeting to revisit the procedure on parental visitations and school lunch <p>Steve and Andrea left the meeting at 6:25pm</p> <p>Bridger DeWitt</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • By next spring he will have earned his Master's degree for budgeting purposes • Proposal for a senior privilege <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Allow 8 seniors to paint a parking space ○ Charge a fee of \$ 5 for the privilege <p>L. Gray/B Paquette: Motion to allow the senior privilege to paint student parking spaces following the guidelines submitted to the school board.</p>	Vote: Unanimous
4.	<p>Reading of the Minutes:</p> <p><u>I Gray/ L. Gray:</u> To accept the minutes with the following changes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Correction on the minutes: # 10 asking the board to approve 4th bullet 2nd bullet 	Vote: Unanimous

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • # 8 Pittsburg Alumni not “Alumina’s” • #7 add B. Paquette • Arriving to the school 7:40am remove “d” • #9 “increased” • # 9 Reviewed and discussed bus routes • # 7 Kim Sweatt remove “the” • Motion: add after option add” other options” 	
5.	<p>Collaborative Committee :</p> <p>Lindsey gave the board an overview of the meeting on September 5, 2019:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The committee is trying to work on the collaborative offerings; at the same time a few members are working on alternative plans. • A Zoom meeting was held with the Dresden/Hanover/Norwich school board and committee members. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ The presentation included discussion on their articles of agreement and the changes made throughout the years ○ Voting and committee makeup ○ How funding works in New Hampshire and Vermont; funding is based on student population <p>Lindsey has not received any notifications of the meetings</p>	
6.	<p>Policy Review:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Policy committee looking at September 26th for the next meeting 	
7.	<p>Special Reports:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • None 	
8.	<p>School Administrator’s Report: Elaine Sherry</p> <p>Report distributed at the meeting</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reviewed game schedule • Discussed establishing a senior lounge for use during study halls. All students who have B’s or above would be able to go to the senior lounge. The lounge will be monitored by the study hall person assigned to seniors. David Covill has agreed to share his store with the seniors since it is only utilized in the morning and would be free. In addition, seniors, if they did not have homework, would be able to use their phones. <p>B. Paquette/J Owen: To allow a senior lounge area with appropriate approved furniture and appropriate space.</p> <p>Elaine discussed the need for a full year mentor to assist with developing an Alternative plan.</p> <p>L Gray/B. Paquette: Approve the additional \$ 250 for full year mentor in order for the teacher to obtain certification</p>	<p>Vote: 3 yes – 1 abstention</p> <p>Vote: Unanimous</p>

9.	<p>Superintendent's Report: Bruce Beasley</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Discussed Soccer teams standing this year • Observed a fire drill • Project Aware grants runs out the end of September • SAU has applied for a federal grant offering similar services as Project Aware • Bruce will be attending NCES tomorrow to work on a Strategic Plan • North Country Superintendent's Meeting will be held on Wednesday in Lincoln/Woodstock. • Judge Broderick will be presenting to students in grade 7-12 in Colebrook • Professional Development Day will be held on October 11th in Berlin. • Casey Hibbard started work at the SAU last week 	
9.	<p>Business Administrator's Report: Cheryl Covill</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Discussed sharing a bus with Stewartstown this week, due to work needed on a Stewartstown bus. 	
10.	<p>Unfinished Business:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Next meeting – Parent visitation during student lunch 	
11.	<p>New Business:</p> <p>Nursing Services</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Exploring contracted nurse services before advertising for hire • UCVH is exploring the ability to offering nursing services to the schools • A decision should be made this week <p>AREA Committee</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Distributed an outline • Representative: Toby Owen, Jamie Owen, Lindsey Gray <p>Bobby discussed the abutting property for sale</p> <p>Bobby asked the school board to support purchasing a plaque in recognition of Luke Merrill's induction into the NHTI Hall of Fame.</p>	
12.	<p>Information:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • None 	
13.	<p>Non-Public:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • None 	
<p>Respectfully Submitted: Cheryl Covill Business Administrator</p>		