

**Stewartstown School Board  
Meeting Minutes**

<b>Date</b>	January 6, 2020
<b>Time</b>	4:15 p.m.
<b>Location</b>	Stewartstown Community School Library
<b>Chairperson</b>	Philip Pariseau

**Attendance**  
Attendance Legend: **P** – Present **A** – Absent

School Board Members		Principals		SAU Members			
P	Kathleen Covell	P	Philip Pariseau	P	Jennifer Mathieu	P	Bruce Beasley
P	Kara Sweatt			P		P	Cheryl Covill

**Public in Attendance: None**

Philip Pariseau opened the meeting at 4:15 pm.

**Adjustments to the Agenda:** Bruce asked for non-public session per 91-A: 3IIA

K. Covell/K. Sweatt: To go into non-public session at 4:23 pm per 9a-A: 3IIA with Cheryl Covill present.

Roll Call Vote: P. Pariseau – Yes; K. Covell – Yes; K. Sweatt – Yes

K. Sweatt/K. Covell: To return to public session at 4:45 pm.

Roll Call Vote: P. Pariseau – Yes; K. Covell – Yes; K. Sweatt – Yes

Kathleen Covell left the meeting at 4:45 pm.

**Hearing of the Public:** None

**Reading of the Minutes:**

Stewartstown Board Meeting of December 2, 2019

K. Sweatt/P. Pariseau: To accept the minutes of December 2 as presented.

**VOTE:** UNANIMOUS

**Special Reports:** None

**School Administrator’s Report:**

1. Mr. Beasley and Jenn have developed a plan for Jenn’s maternity leave. Dorothy Stebbins will take over the office when needed. Donna Estes will be in Dorothy’s classroom full time so she can take over when Dorothy must do administrative duties. Donna is comfortable receiving \$80-\$100 per day as sub. She will not be doing any lesson plans so will not receive a first-year teacher stipend as per policy.
2. Jenn sent home a letter to parents about skiing. Five students are interested. They will be able to ride on the Pittsburg bus.
3. SCS was bursting with the Christmas spirit over the last three weeks. Shout out to Mr. Rainville for the tree, Santas, and lights on the trees on the bank! Also, to our staff and students for the fun festivities and support during the whirlwind! Students did a fantastic job at their Christmas Concert.
4. Code Week was phenomenal! Jenn presented pictures to the board of the activities.

5. Upon returning from break, teachers will be conducting benchmark testing (STAR360 & AIMSweb+). When those benchmarks are finished, we will hold our mid-year data meetings and determine appropriate groupings, based on student need, for our next session of Rtl.

### **Superintendent's Report:**

January 17 is Professional Development Day in Pittsburg. Jenn and Laurel are part of the committee

There will be college tour later in January through GearUp. Students will be staying overnight at SNHU.

Bloomfield has approved paying the tuition for a student to attend SCS. They will pay the State average cost.

We have three new students: 1 High School, 1 Elementary, and 1 Kindergarten. Now we have 70 students.

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

The swim and skate program at NCCRC will start that week.

Law Enforcement has requested that every person in their employ should have a card to enter the SCS. Now, they can enter with just a pin number. Cheryl said there would need to be a Memorandum of Understanding signed. The card appears to be better choice than just a pin.

We are working on a Wellness Plan. Four teachers went to Concord today to learn more about this. Tina Perreault, from the SAU Office, attended also.

### **Unfinished Business: Nursing**

Barbara Pires-Lynch is the new school nurse commencing January 2, 2020. Tanya is helping to train her.

### **New Business:**

We have a new position in the budget – Clinical Social Worker.

Budget Analysis is ongoing due to new students.

Timeline for Budget Committee hearing was discussed. It was decided that January 28<sup>th</sup> would be a good date at 6:00 pm.

If there are no changes to the 2020-2021 budget, the tax rate will be up \$1.10.

Cheryl has written the bus bids. She is waiting for Don and Yvonne to look them over.

North Country Master Schedule: Collaborative team met last week. English and Math are the first courses discussed. Moving staff around the schools has been discussed. There are good numbers of students participating. Nine students are in the LNA Program at the CCNH. The committee wants one schedule for all three high schools.

There are lots of reasons to look more closely at staff numbers now: Insurance and Enrollment decline are just two of them.

Regional Committee Update: They have been looking at the Black River design. Canaan School has three areas of high need to bring them up to code.

\$4,750 is available through the grant from NH Charitable Foundation for next year's SAU budget.

K. Sweatt/P. Pariseau: To cast Stewartstown's vote in favor of this.

VOTE: UNANIMOUS

Bruce presented proposed grade distributions from the Connecticut River Planning Committee. He encouraged the Board to review this and chose which one is best for Stewartstown students.

K. Sweatt/P. Pariseau: To accept Kara Sweatt's resignation at the end of the school district meeting.

VOTE: UNANIMOUS

We now have two school board positions open: a one-year and a three-year position.

Philip is on the Superintendent Search Committee.

There is an insurance meeting January 7 at 4:00 pm. Bruce will meet with the SCS staff before that at 3:15 pm to discuss compensation and insurance.

K. Sweatt/P. Pariseau: To adjourn at 5:56 pm.

VOTE: UNANIMOUS

Respectfully submitted,

Patricia E. Grover  
Minutes Taker

*Adopted by Stewartstown School Board 02/03/2020*