

Stewartstown School Board Meeting Minutes							
Date		April 5, 2021					
Time		4:15 p.m.					
Location		Stewartstown Community School					
Chairperson		Philip Pariseau					
Attendance							
Attendance Legend: P – Present at SCS A – Absent Z – Via Zoom C – Cell Phone							
School Board Members			Principals			SAU Members	
	Vacant	P	Philip Pariseau	P	Jennifer Mathieu	P	Debra Taylor (4:26)
P	Betsy Gray					P	Cheryl Covill
Public in Attendance: None							

Debra Taylor opened the meeting at 4:26 pm. She asked for nominations for Chairperson.

Betsy Gray nominated Philip Pariseau. He seconded and vote was in the affirmative.

Philip accepted the position and asked for volunteers for the rest of the positions:

- Vice-Chairman – Betsy Gray
- NHSBA Delegate – Betsy Gray
- NHSBA Alternate – Vacant
- Legislative Delegate – Philip Pariseau
- Legislative Alternate – Betsy Gray
- Budget Sub-Committee – Betsy Gray
- SAU #7 Policy Committee – Philip Pariseau
- SAU #7 Technology Committee – Philip Pariseau

Adjustments to the Agenda: None

Hearing of the Public: No public was present.

Reading of the Minutes: School Board Meeting of March 8, 2021

B. Gray/P. Pariseau: To accept the minutes of March 8, 2021 as presented.

VOTE: AFFIRMATIVE

At 4:30 pm the Board took at recess to go speak to the staff who had been conducting interviews.

At 4:38 pm the Board resumed the meeting

Special Reports: Stewartstown Annual School District Meeting minutes were presented.

School Administrator’s Report – Jennifer Mathieu

- By the time we meet, I will have an updated report for you regarding openings for next year, as I have several interviews prior to our meeting.
- The Administrative Team has been planning professional development opportunities for the staff this summer. If everything falls into place, we have a very exciting, jam-packed summer ahead! Work includes, but is not limited to, continuation with competency work, Responsive Classroom training, and summer school.

- I have been working diligently to ensure all scheduling, documents, and other pertinent information will be readily available for the next SCS Administrator. As I stated, I will be more than happy to help with the transition to ensure it's as smooth as possible for everyone involved!

Superintendent's Report – Dr. Debra Taylor:

1. Dr. Taylor included a written report in the packet.
2. She attended a Zoom meeting about Governor's order to open full time. We are already in compliance.
3. 80% of staff are vaccinated.
4. Professional Development is centering on Improving Curriculum.

Business Administrator's Report – Cheryl Covill:

1. Sharing buses with other districts. We are now transporting a Canaan student from Pittsburg to Canaan in the afternoon. Canaan will pay for this. Philip thought this was working well.
2. Cheryl received a request from a parent who lives in Clarksville. One child attends Stewartstown School. The sibling can now drive. Cheryl needs to follow up to get more info.
3. Summer Work: Dennis will wash the building, but we haven't found the product that will bring back the white it was when built. Do we want to replace the floor in the multi room?
4. We have two new tuition students so will not be turning back the same amount reported to the public in March.
5. Esser III monies are out there, but no particulars yet. We may consider changing the motors in the air handlers.
6. We can pay for engineers with Esser II funds.
7. Medicaid training is available for new staff. The total cost for the SAU will be \$2,010. Stewartstown will pay a portion. Betsy questioned whether the training was necessary. Cheryl explained that OT and PT are the main items to be reimbursed if the family allows.

B. Gray/P. Pariseau: To approve the expenditure for Medicaid reimbursement training.

VOTE: UNANIMOUS

8. Disposal of Technology Equipment (Policy DH). We have old equipment that is still good, but we have purchased new. How do we want to dispose of it: Advertise, give away, or throw it away? Advertising has cost us more in the past than we have received for the products. Can we offer the printers to staff? We have a place to send the towers once all information has been removed.

B. Gray/P. Pariseau: To offer the equipment to staff first.

VOTE: UNANIMOUS

Unfinished Business:

1. Support staff retirement policy.

B. Gray/P. Pariseau: To accept the Support Staff Benefit Policy as written.

VOTE: UNANIMOUS

New Business:

School Board Vacancy: Cheryl reminded the Board that they can appoint someone, or they can advertise for anyone interested to apply. Philip thought they should advertise in the newspapers for the one-year position. Betsy suggested that it also be put on the school Facebook page.

Debra reminded the Board that it would be necessary to accept or refuse the resignation of the principal.

B. Gray/P. Pariseau: To thank Jennifer Mathieu for all she has done as principal and accept her resignation as of June 30, 2021.

VOTE: UNANIMOUS

Cheryl presented the Board with the new salary schedule and positions for 2021-2022 school year were discussed. New hires:

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| Alyssa Scott | Title I Director & teacher |
| Oxanna Joos | Title I Teacher (Norma Gray will not return) |
| Caitlyn Wood | Library Assistant (Alan Farnsworth will continue as consultant) |
| John Kennedy | Math & Science Teacher for Junior High Level |

Currently two staff members are sharing one position. The member working two days a week is not interested in returning. The three days a week member will stay if we can't find someone to work all five days.

Long-term floating sub, Brandon, will not be returning. He is pursuing an EMT position.

B. Gray/P. Pariseau: To approve proposed teachers and staff members as presented.

VOTE: UNANIMOUS

CONNECTICUT RIVER COLLABORATIVE COMMITTEE

No update

Meetings:

SAU School Board will meet on April 8 at SCS.

Next meeting for Stewartstown School Board will be May 3, 2021 at 4:15 pm.

B. Gray/P. Pariseau: To go into nonpublic session at 5:28 pm

ROLL CALL VOTE: B. GRAY – YES; P. PARISEAU - YES

Respectfully submitted,

Patricia E. Grover
Minutes Taker

B. Gray/P. Pariseau: To return to public session at 5:50 pm

ROLL CALL VOTE: B. GRAY – YES; P. PARISEAU – YES

Adjournment:

B. Gray/P. Pariseau: To adjourn the meeting at 5:50 pm

VOTE: UNANIMOUS

Respectfully submitted,

Debra J. Taylor
Superintendent

Adopted 05/03/2021