

COLCHESTER SCHOOL DISTRICT

Board of Education Meeting
Colchester High School Library

Tuesday, June 2, 2009
7:00 p.m. (General Session)

The Colchester Board of Education held a regular board meeting on Tuesday, June 2, 2009 at the Colchester High School Library. Those in attendance were: Chair: Dirk Reith; Directors: Steve Chamberlain, Dick Pecor, Mike Rogers, and Paul Smith; Superintendent, Larry Waters; Business and Operations Manager, George A. Trieb, Jr.; Director of Curriculum and Instruction, Gwen Carmolli, Director of Special Education, Carrie Lutz; Principals: Chris Antonicci, Carolyn Dickinson, Jim Marshall, Amy Minor, Barbara Nason, and Student Board Member Lindsey LaCross. There were 20 members of the community in attendance.

MINUTES (General Session)

I. Call to Order, Pledge of Allegiance

Chair Dirk Reith called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and led in the Pledge of Allegiance.

II. Act on Minutes of May 19, 2009

Mike Rogers moved, seconded by Steve Chamberlain to accept the minutes of May 19, 2009. The motion passed unanimously.

III. Citizen Participation:

None

IV. School Board Communication, Committee Reports, and Correspondence

School Board Chair, Dirk Reith, presented flowers as well as a scholarship to Lindsey LaCross for her time served as the 2008/2009 Student Board Member.

Superintendent Waters relayed to the Board that at this time the District is not prepared to make any decisions or present any information regarding the possible new police station on Laker Lane.

V. Hear and Discuss Colchester Middle School Restructuring

CMS Principal, Carolyn Dickinson, presented an overview of the changes that are going to happen at CMS in the fall. There will be a new schedule and students will be divided into houses. The new schedule was developed based on feedback given from staff and parents. The new restructuring will provide smaller learning communities, enhance connections with students and provide structural responsiveness for future reductions due to our declining enrollment. The chief concerns vocalized by community members in attendance was in regards to physical education being offered every other quarter to students, and students having the

ability to participate in multiple unified arts classes and the reason behind the changes.

VI. Hear and Discuss the Colchester Middle School Mathematics Program

A new mathematics program has been developed for CMS. This program has been created to best suit the needs of our students. Some members of the community argued that the new program would not be challenging enough to gifted students.

VII. Colchester School District Professional Development Outline 2009-2010

Superintendent Waters presented the 2009/2010 professional development outline to the Board.

VIII. Vermont School Board Association Membership

The value of the District's VSBA membership was discussed. The District currently pays \$3,000/year for the membership. Benefits of the membership include, but are not limited to: legal updates, training, salary data and policy help.

IX. Hear and Act on Resurfacing Parking Lot Bid Approval

Business and Operations Manager, George Trieb, presented four bids received by local vendors to seal and line the parking lots at CHS, CMS and MBS. Mr. Trieb recommended we hire VT Pavement Maintenance due to the quality of their past work and their pricing. Director Paul Smith moved, seconded by Director Steve Chamberlain to accept the Business and Operations Manager George Trieb's recommendation. Motion passed unanimously.

X. Act on Personnel Consent Agenda

REVISED

Superintendent Waters presented the following consent agenda:

Personnel Consent Agenda

Dated: June 2, 2009

ADMINISTRATOR

NEW HIRES:

Name	Position	Building	FTE Change	Person Replacing	Rationale
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RESIGNATIONS:

Name	Position	Building	Effective Date
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LEAVE REQUEST:

Name	Position	Building
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TEACHER

NEW HIRES:

Name	Position	Building	FTE Change	Person Replacing	Rationale
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Jessica Barnum-Muller	Language Arts Teacher One Year Only	CMS		Peggy Gillard	LOA
Rosemary Lucier	LTS Kindergarten	UMS		Tracy Helfrich	LOA
Michelle Page	Mathematics Teacher (.80 FTE)	CHS		Mark Ellingson (.40 FTE)/ Julie Conrad (.40 FTE)	

RESIGNATIONS:

Name	Position	Building	Effective Date	Admin Support
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Meghan Kelley	Spanish Teacher	CMS	6/30/2009	Yes
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NON-RENEWAL

Name	Position	Building	Effective Date
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CHANGE IN FULL TIME EQUIVALENCY:

Name	Position	Building	FTE Change	Person Replacing	Rationale
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Kara Pawlusiak	Guidance Counselor	CMS	Add'1 .20	Carol McCleary	
Carolyn Robinson	Spanish Teacher	CHS	Add'1 .20	Cecelia Miga	1 year only FTE increase

LEAVE REQUEST:

Name	Position	Building	Admin Support
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SUPPORT STAFF INFORMATION

NEW HIRES

Name	Position	Building	Hours Change	Person Leaving	Rationale
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RESIGNATIONS

Name	Position	Building
Jeff Campoli	Autism Interventionist	UMS
Kyle Burkhard	Tutor – SPED	CMS
Erika Hamblett	Tutor – SPED	CHS
Jennifer Jacobson	Tutor – 504	CAP
Rebecca Laubenstein	Tutor – SPED	UMS
Almin Piric	Tutor – ESL	MBS

TERMINATIONS

Name	Position	Building
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LEAVE REQUEST

Name	Position	Building	Admin. Support
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CO-CURRICULAR

CONTRACT OFFER:

Name	Position	Building
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RESIGNATIONS:

Name	Position	Building
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POSITION DESCRIPTION(S)

Director Dick Pecor moved, seconded by Director Steve Chamberlain to accept the personnel consent agenda. Motion passed unanimously

XI. Hear Possible Future Agenda Items

- Summer Board Retreat
- Colchester School District Action Plan
- School Board/Select Board Joint Meeting

XII. Adjourn

Director Mike Rogers moved, seconded by Director Dick Pecor to adjourn at 9:35 p.m.
Motion passed unanimously.

Recorder:

Board Clerk:

Laura Frazier
Reporting Secretary

Paul Smith
Board Clerk