

COLCHESTER SCHOOL DISTRICT

Board of Education Meeting
Colchester High School Library

Tuesday, May 3, 2011
7:00 p.m. (General Session)

The Colchester Board of Education held a regular board meeting on Tuesday, May 3, 2011 at the Colchester High School Library. Those in attendance were: Board Chair: Dirk Reith, Directors:, Steve Cormier, Dick Pecor, and Paul Smith; Student Board Member: Tom Yasewicz; Superintendent, Larry Waters; Business and Operations Manager, George Trieb; Director of Curriculum and Instruction, Gwen Carmolli; Special Education Director, Carrie Lutz. Principals: Chris Antonicci, Julie Benay, Carolyn Dickinson, James Marshall and Amy Minor. Absent: Christine Shepard. There were 18 members of the community in attendance.

MINUTES (General Session)

I. Call to Order

Board Chair Dirk Reith called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

II. Pledge of Allegiance

Board Chair Dirk Reith led in the Pledge of Allegiance.

III. Approval of Minutes: April 19, 2011

Director Paul Smith moved, seconded by Director Steve Cormier to approve the minutes of April 19, 2011. Motion passed unanimously.

IV. Citizen Participation

No citizen participation.

V. School Board Communication, Committee Reports & Correspondence

Superintendent Larry Water reminded the community of the School District's Blog and encouraged citizens to view and navigate through it.

VI. Wellness Presentation

Wellness Coordinator Connie Gavin provided information concerning the Wellness Program and the accomplishments achieved throughout the 2010-2011 school year. Ms. Gavin acknowledged the hard work of the Wellness Committee and the School Based Wellness leaders.

VII. View Video “Failure is Not an Option”-Volume IV (Hope Foundation)

Principal Chris Antonicci introduced the video which highlights Differentiated Instruction and the effectiveness on student learning. This is a national video in which Union Memorial School is featured.

VIII. Review of the Policy: Code of Ethics for School Board Members

Superintendent Larry Waters reviewed the Code of Ethics Policy for School Board Members. This review is intended to determine any areas in the District’s current policy requiring amendment. It is desired that the board sign, in agreement with the code. The board did not wish to make any changes to the policy.

IX. First Reading of the Policy: Fiscal and Business Management Policy

Business and Operations Manager George Trieb illustrated in the FY 2010 audit report that the financial policy needs to specifically note, when spending federal funds, the District must ensure the vendor is not suspended or debarred. This information is available online. The district has not violated any conditions associated with the spending of federal dollars.

Director Dick Pecor moved, seconded by Director Steve Cormier to approve the First Reading of the Fiscal and Business Management Policy as presented. Motion passed unanimously.

X. Colchester Police Department Building on School Property

Director Dick Pecor provided information from the Select Board stating the decision did not need to be considered this evening.

Director Paul Smith moved to take no action, seconded by Director Dick Pecor. Motion passed unanimously.

XI. Personnel Consent Agenda

Superintendent Waters presented the following consent agenda:

PERONNEL CONSENT AGENDA**Board Date: May 3, 2011**

Board Date	Contract Type	First Name	Last Name	Category	Position	FTE/Hours	Building	Agenda Information	Person Replacing	Rationale	Admin Support
05/03/11	Teacher	Courtney	Van Kleeck	Partial Resignation	Social Studies Teacher	1.0 FTE	CHS	Resignation of .60 of his 1.0 contract			Yes
05/03/11	Teacher	Adria	Bahr	Resignation	Physical Education Teacher	1	CHS/MBS	Notice of end of employment			Yes
05/03/11	Support Staff	Diana	Eide	End of Employment	Technology Assistant/Food Service	40 hrs	CHS	Notice of end of employment			Yes
05/03/11	Support Staff	Brian	Sowle	End of Employment	Network Administrator	40 hrs	CHS	Notice of end of employment			Yes

Director Paul Smith moved, seconded by Director Steve Cormier to approve the personnel consent agenda for May 3, 2011. Motion passed unanimously.

XII. Possible Future Agenda Items

- School Reports
- Virtual High School Program(June)
- NEASC Report (June)
- Update on CMS Schedule 2011
- Vision Meeting (June 15th & 16th)

XIII. Adjournment

Director Dick Pecor moved, seconded by Director Steve Cormier to adjourn general session at 8:01 p.m. Motion passed unanimously.

Recorder:

Board Clerk:

Rachel Howes

Paul Smith
Board Clerk