

COLCHESTER SCHOOL DISTRICT

Board of Education Meeting
Colchester High School Media Center

Tuesday, August 7, 2012
7:00 p.m. (General Session)

The Colchester Board of Education held a regular board meeting on Tuesday, August 7, 2012, in the Colchester High School Media Center. Those in attendance were: Board Chair, Dirk Reith; Directors: Dick Pecor, Christine Shepard, Lincoln White, and Mike Rogers. Superintendent, Larry Waters and Director of Curriculum and Instruction, Gwen Carmolli. Principals: Jim Marshall, Julie Benay, and Dawn Gruss. Absent: Business & Operations Manager, George Trieb; Director of Special Education, Carrie Lutz; Principals: Amy Minor and Chris Antonicci. There were 2 members of the community in attendance.

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: July 17, 2012

Director Mike Rogers moved to approve the minutes of July 17, 2012, seconded by Director Christine Shepard. Motion passed unanimously.

IV. Citizen Participation

A member of the Colchester community expressed their concern about inaccurate timeframes issued in recent Colchester Middle School student schedules that were mailed home.

V. School Board Communication, Committee Reports & Correspondence

Superintendent Larry Waters announced and introduced the new Recording Secretary, Erin Dye.

Board Chair Dirk Reith welcomed and introduced our new school board director Lincoln White. Lincoln is replacing Steve Cormier.

Director Dick Pecor moved to nominate Mike Rogers as the new school board clerk, seconded by Board Chair Dirk Reith. Motion passed unanimously.

The decision was made to have the school board retreat on August 18, 2012, from 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. in the Administrative Office building.

VI. Colchester School District Vision/Strategic/Action Plan – Pathway A: High Standards, Expectations, and Individual Engagement for All Learners

Superintendent Larry Waters provided the board and community with an overview of the Action Plan part of the Vision & Strategic Plan with recommended timelines.

VII. Colchester Middle School Report

Principal Dawn Gruss provided the community and school board with an annual report regarding the school's accomplishments for the 2011-2012 school year. This information included results in Reading, Writing, and Math standards (NECAP), along with recommendations to improve student achievement in Grades 6-8 by fall 2013.

VIII. Accountability Report for Colchester School District

Director of Curriculum and Instruction Gwen Carmolli presented the 2012 AYP Report for all of our schools.

IX. Approval for Purchase of New Driver Education Vehicle

Board Clerk Mike Rogers moved to approve the purchase of a new driver's education vehicle and to authorize Business & Operations Manager George Trieb to execute the necessary documents to make this happen. This was seconded by Director Christine Shepard. Motion passed unanimously.

X. Renovations for Colchester High School

The board reviewed and discussed the major maintenance projects at CHS and the district. The board would like to have a more in-depth discussion about these projects at their retreat. They would like to have the items prioritized, more financial information, critical elements, etc.

XI. Personnel Consent Agenda

Superintendent Waters presented the following personnel consent agenda for August 7, 2012.

PERSONNEL CONSENT AGENDA

Board Date: August 7, 2012

Contract Type	First Name	Last Name	Category	Position	FTE/Hours	Building	Agenda Information	Person Replacing	Rationale	Admin Support
Co-Curricular	Marc	Gagne	New Hire	Soccer, Boys A Coach		CMS	Notice of Hire	Jesus Calderon-Batioja		Yes
Support Staff	Stephanie	Chaput	New Hire	Paraeducator - SPED	32.5 hrs	CHS	Notice of Hire	Karin Brenin		Yes
Support Staff	Lindsey	Harhen	New Hire	Paraeducator - SPED	32.5 hrs	CHS	Notice of Hire	Sharon McGarry		Yes
Support Staff	Shannon	Jankowski	New Hire	Paraeducator - SPED	32.5 hrs	CMS	Notice of Hire	.5 Rebecca Barrett/.5 Christine Baker		Yes
Support Staff	Nicole	Lacharite	New Hire	Paraeducator - Title I Reading	30.0 hrs	UMS	Notice of Hire	Amanda Collins		Yes
Support Staff	Joshua	LaFrance	New Hire	Paraeducator - SPED	32.5 hrs	CHS	Notice of Hire	Marion Thompson		Yes
Support Staff	Martin	Morrison	New Hire	Paraeducator - SPED	32.5 hrs	CHS	Notice of Hire	Tracy Riley		Yes
Support Staff	Anthony	Rodriguez-Alcala	New Hire	Paraeducator - SPED	32.5 hrs	CMS	Notice of Hire	Kimberly O'Brien		Yes
Support Staff	Christine	Baker	Transfer	Autism Interventionist/Intensive Needs Interventionist	17.5 hrs/17.5 hrs	CMS	Notice of Transfer			Yes
Teacher	Janet	Cormier	End of Employment	Special Education Teacher	1.0 FTE	UMS/CMS	Approval for end of employment			Yes
Teacher	Joshua	Parker	New Hire	Mathematics Teacher	0.2 FTE	CHS	Approval for hire	Elizabeth Canal		Yes
Teacher	Erica	Schmidt	New Hire	Special Education Teacher	0.5 FTE	UMS	Approval for hire	Janet Cormier		Yes
Teacher	Cathy	Smart	New Hire	LTS - Special Education Teacher	1.0 FTE	MBS	Approval for hire	Ellen O'Meara		Yes
Teacher	Debra	DeMulder	Transfer	Special Education Teacher	1.0 FTE	CHS	Approval for Transfer	New Position - Islands Reimbursement	Deb is currently .50 FTE at CMS & .50 FTE at CHS, transferring to 1.0 at CHS	Yes

Director Christine Shepard moved to approve the personnel consent agenda for August 7, 2012, seconded by Director Dick Pecor. Motion passed unanimously.

XII. Possible Future Agenda Items

- Preparations for CHS Renovation Plan, Schedule and Funding

XIII. Adjournment

Director Dick Pecor moved, seconded by Lincoln White, to adjourn the meeting at 9:38 p.m. Motion passed unanimously.

Recorder:

Board Clerk:

Erin Dye
Reporting Secretary

Mike Rogers
Board Clerk