

COLCHESTER SCHOOL DISTRICT

Board of Education Meeting
Colchester High School Media Center

Tuesday, November 19, 2013
7:00 p.m. (General Session)

MINUTES (General Session)

The Colchester Board of Education held a regular board meeting on Tuesday, November 19, 2013, in the Colchester High School Media Center. Those in attendance were: Board Chair: Mike Rogers, Directors: Lindsey Cox, Craig Kieny, and Lincoln White. Superintendent, Larry Waters; Business & Operations Manager, George Trieb; Director of Curriculum & Instruction, Gwen Carmolli; and Director of Special Education, Carrie Lutz. Absent: Director Christine Shepard; Principals: Chris Antonicci, Julie Benay, Dawn Gruss, Jim Marshall, and Amy Minor. There were two members of the community in attendance.

I. Call to Order

Chair Mike Rogers called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

II. Pledge of Allegiance

Chair Mike Rogers led in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Superintendent Larry Waters introduced the new student board member Teremy Garen.

III. Citizen Participation

Eben Wolcott, a member of the Colchester community, presented the land grant document to Superintendent Waters and the school board to commemorate the 250th Anniversary of Colchester's 1763 Charter.

IV. Approval of Minutes: November 5, 2013

Director Lincoln White moved to approve the minutes of November 5, 2013, seconded by Director Craig Kieny. Motion passed unanimously, 4-0.

V. Board/Administration Communication, Correspondence, Committee Reports

Superintendent Larry Waters made the following announcements:

- November 26 – Negotiations Meeting with Board only (5:00 PM at CHS Library)
- December TBD – Negotiations Meeting with CEA
- November 25 – Parent/Teacher Conferences (11:00 AM – 7:00 PM)
- November 26 – Parent/Teacher Conferences (8:00 AM – 12:00 PM)

VI. Hear Second Reading of Student Attendance and Tardiness Policy

This policy was presented for a second reading acknowledging a few amendments. At Colchester High School, it is important to recognize that students are marked present/absent/tardy for each class period – daily attendance is not recorded.

Director Craig Kieny moved, seconded by Director Lincoln White, to approve the second and final reading of the new Attendance and Tardiness Policy. Motion passed unanimously, 4-0.

VII. Hear Colchester School District '14-Year Budget Overview

Superintendent Larry Waters provided an overview of the '14 budget.

VIII. Hear Current and Projected Student Enrollments and Class Size

Superintendent Larry Waters reviewed the current and projected student enrollment for grades K – 8, including current and anticipated FTEs. Principal Minor will report on current class size and FTEs at Colchester High School at a future board meeting.

IX. Discuss and Review Baseline Budget Expenditure Descriptions

Business & Operations Manager George Trieb provided the board and community with a list of expenditures by object code with descriptions.

X. Discuss School Board Communication Plan

Communication is one of the school district's pathways in the vision plan. The school board had a discussion on how to increase communication with the school board and the Colchester community.

The school board decided to create a general e-mail account where members of the community can submit their comments/questions. Community inquiries will be answered at the school board meetings beginning December 17.

The school board will also address topics in a section of *Currently Colchester*.

XI. Approval of the Personnel Consent Agenda

Superintendent Larry Waters recognized the retirement of Cynthia Boyea, Elementary Teacher at Colchester Middle School. Cynthia Boyea has provided many years of service to the Colchester School District.

Superintendent Waters presented the following Personnel Consent Agenda for November 19, 2013.

PERSONNEL CONSENT AGENDA**Board Date: November 19, 2013**

Contract Type	First Name	Last Name	Category	Position	FTE/Hours	Building	Agenda Information	Person Replacing	Rationale	Admin Support
Co-Curricular	Matthew	Gile	New Hire	Alpine Ski, Assistant Coach		CHS	Notice of Hire	vacant last year		Yes
Co-Curricular	Kerry	Wiebe	New Hire	Girls Ice Hockey, Assistant Coach		CHS	Notice of Hire	Danielle DelDotto		Yes
Support Staff	Dennis	Ashley	New Hire	Food Service Worker, One-Year Only	15.0 hrs	CHS	Notice of Hire			Yes
Support Staff	Carol	Boutwell	New Hire	Food Service Worker	14.0 hrs	CMS	Notice of Hire	Alfretta Viau		Yes
Support Staff	Megan	Downing	New Hire	Paraeducator - SPED	32.5 hrs	MBS	Notice of Hire	Kathleen Dustira		Yes
Support Staff	Mary	Giordani	New Hire	Paraeducator, EEE-Bus	9.75 hrs	MBS	Notice of Hire	Linda Whalen		Yes
Support Staff	Shannon	Jankowski	End of Employment	Paraeducator - SPED	32.5 hrs	CMS	Notice of End of Employment			Yes
Support Staff	Alfretta	Viau	End of Employment	Food Service Worker	14.0 hrs	CMS	Notice of End of Employment			Yes
Teacher	Cynthia	Boyea	End of Employment	Teacher	1.0 FTE	CMS	Approval for End of Employment			Yes

Director Lincoln White moved, seconded by Director Lindsey Cox, to approve the personnel consent agenda as provided for November 19, 2013. Motion passed unanimously, 4-0.

XII. Future Agenda Items

- Budget – Goals, Anticipated Expenditures
- Data Reports from Schools (First Trimester – Reading/Math)
- Calendar Discussion (not 2.0)
- Proposal for New Programs 2014-2015
- Flexible Pathways
- CHS Class Size

XIII. Adjournment

Director Craig Kieny moved, seconded by Director Lindsey Cox, to adjourn at 8:58 p.m. Motion passed unanimously, 4-0.

Recorder:

Board Clerk:

Erin Dye
Reporting Secretary

Lincoln White
Board Clerk