

COLCHESTER SCHOOL DISTRICT

Board of Education Meeting
Colchester High School Room 114A
Colchester High School Media Center

Tuesday, February 17, 2015
6:45 p.m. (Executive Session)
7:00 p.m. (General Session)

MINUTES (Executive Session)

The Executive Session meeting for the Kindergarten Waiver Request was cancelled.

MINUTES (General Session)

The Colchester Board of Education held a regular board meeting on Tuesday, February 17, 2015, in the Colchester High School Media Center. Those in attendance were: Board Chair Mike Rogers; Directors: Lindsey Cox, Craig Kieny, Lincoln White; Superintendent Larry Waters; Director of Curriculum & Instruction Gwen Carmolli; Director of Special Education Carrie Lutz; Principals: Chris Antonicci, Amy Minor, and Carolyn Millham. Absent: Director Christine Shepard, Student Board Member Cassandra LaBonte; Business & Operations Manager George Trieb; Principals Julie Benay and Dawn Gruss. There were 10 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.

III. Citizen Participation

There was no citizen participation.

IV. Hear Colchester School District Audit Report for FY'14

Superintendent Larry Waters introduced Fred Duplessis from Sullivan, Powers & Co. who provided an overview of the school district's financial statements for fiscal year 2014. The audit was clean and in full compliance.

V. Hear and Discuss Plans and Presentation for School Report for March 2

Superintendent Larry Waters reviewed his presentation for School Report on March 2.

The schedule of events for the evening of March 2:

- Community Dinner, CHS Cafeteria from 5:30-6:30
- Colchester Legislators from 6:30-7:30
- Town Report, CHS Theater, 7:30
- District Report, CHS Theater

VI. Hear Update on Early Education Center Feasibility Study

Superintendent Larry Waters shared with the board and community space needs, square footage, and cost estimates for an Early Education Center.

VII. Hear Smarter Balanced Assessment Consortium (SBAC)

Director of Curriculum & Instruction Gwen Carmolli provided an overview of the Smarter Balanced Assessment Consortium (SBAC). SBAC replaces the New England Common Assessment Program (NECAP). Students in grades 3 through 8 and grade 11 will participate in this web-based testing format in the spring of 2015.

VIII. Approval of Recommendations for Teacher Contract Renewals

Director Lindsey Cox moved, seconded by Director Craig Kieny, to approve the superintendent's recommendation for teacher contract renewals for FY'16, as provided. Motion passed unanimously, 4-0.

IX. Personnel Consent Agenda

Superintendent Larry Waters presented the following Personnel Consent Agenda for February 17, 2015.

Superintendent Waters acknowledged the resignation of Erin Sorenson, Elementary Teacher at UMS and resignation of Wendy Rogers, Paraeducator – Title I at Porters Point School.

PERSONNEL CONSENT AGENDA**Board Date: February 17, 2015**

Contract Type	First Name	Last Name	Category	Position	FTE/Hours	Building	Agenda Information	Person Replacing	Rationale	Admin Support
Job Description				Special Education Building Secretary			Approval of job description			Yes
Job Description				Middle School Guidance Counselor			Approval of job description			Yes
Support Staff	Bernard	Denton	New Hire	Custodian	20.0 hr	CMS	Notice of Hire	Santo Yel		Yes
Support Staff	Tamarra	Lessor	New Hire	Paraeducator - Special Education	32.5 hr	CHS	Notice of Hire	Andrew Duling		Yes
Support Staff	Elizabeth	Billings	End of Employment	Paraeducator - 504	32.5 hr	MBS	Notice of End of Employment			Yes
Support Staff	Robyn	Brosius	End of Employment	Paraeducator - Special Education	32.5 hr	CMS	Notice of End of Employment			Yes
Support Staff	Wendy	Rogers	End of Employment	Paraeducator - Title I	30.0 hr	PPS	Notice of End of Employment			Yes
Teacher	Mary	Morgan-Mitchell	End of Employment	Librarian/Media Specialist	1.0 FTE	PPS	Approval for End of Employment			Yes
Teacher	Erin	Sorenson	End of Employment	Elementary Teacher	1.0 FTE	UMS	Approval for End of Employment			Yes

Director Craig Kieny moved, seconded by Director Lincoln White, to approve the personnel consent agenda as provided for February 17, 2015. Motion passed unanimously, 4-0.

X. Approval of Minutes: February 3, 2015

Director Lincoln White moved to approve the minutes of February 3, 2015, seconded by Director Lindsey Cox. Motion passed unanimously, 4-0.

XI. Board/Administration Communication, Correspondence, Committee Reports

- Chair Mike Rogers received an acknowledgement letter from Grand Isle School District – possible future conversations.

XII. Possible Future Agenda Items

- Election of Board Officers
- Administrator Contract Renewal Recommendations
- Multi-tiered System of Services Model
- CMS Personalized Learning Plans
- Future Maintenance Projects
- Lunch Program

XIII. Adjournment

Director Lindsey Cox moved, seconded by Director Lincoln White, to adjourn at 8:54 p.m. Motion passed unanimously, 4-0.

Recorder:

Board Clerk:

Erin Dye
Reporting Secretary

Lincoln White
Board Clerk