

COLCHESTER SCHOOL DISTRICT

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

Tuesday, September 20, 2016
5:30 p.m. (Executive Session)
7:00 p.m. (General Session)

MINUTES (Executive Session)

The Colchester Board of Education held an Executive Session on Tuesday, September 20, 2016, in Colchester High School Room 114A. Those in attendance were: Board Chair Mike Rogers; Directors: Craig Kieny, Curt Taylor, and Lincoln White; Superintendent Amy Minor, and Business & Operations Manager George Trieb. Absent: Director Lindsey Cox.

Director Lincoln White moved, seconded by Director Craig Kieny, to enter Executive Session at 5:30 p.m. to have a discussion regarding negotiations. Motion passed unanimously, 4-0.

Director Lincoln White moved, seconded by Director Craig Kieny, to exit Executive Session at 6:30 p.m. Motion passed unanimously, 4-0.

No decisions were made. The school board members present further developed their plan for negotiations for teacher and support staff negotiations this fall.

MINUTES (General Session)

The Colchester Board of Education held a regular board meeting on Tuesday, September 20, 2016, in the Colchester High School Media Center. Those in attendance were: Board Chair Mike Rogers; Directors: Lindsey Cox, Craig Kieny, Curt Taylor, and Lincoln White; Superintendent Amy Minor, Business & Operations Manager George Trieb, Director of Special Education Carrie Lutz, Director of Curriculum & Instruction Gwen Carmolli. Absent: Principals Chris Antonicci, Heather Baron, Julie Benay, Michele Coté, and Carolyn Millham. There were 13 senior seminar students, 7 employees, and 1 community member in attendance.

I. Call Meeting to Order and Pledge of Allegiance

Chair Mike Rogers called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Chair Mike Rogers led in the Pledge of Allegiance.

II. Citizen Participation

Maureen Dakin shared her disappointment in the education that her grandson has received by the school district and that she was saddened that her grandson will not be graduating from Colchester High School. Maureen also had questions for the school board regarding a recent Colchester Sun Article written by Jason Starr regarding the potential purchase of the building that houses the Colchester Alternative Program. The board shared with Maureen that no decisions have been made regarding the potential purchase of this property. Maureen shared a few of her thoughts.

III. Check Point and Changes

Colchester High School administrators Tim Emery, Jean Shea and Justin Brown provided the community with an update on the two substance abuse prevention programs in place: Check Point and Changes. Both of these programs are critical to supporting students and families. Both programs are primarily grant funded and provided by CenterPoint. The CenterPoint staff shared with the board the key components of each program.

IV. Food Service Report

George Trieb, Business & Operations Manager, and Steve Davis, Director of Food Service, reviewed the FY'16 results and the FY'17 budget.

Director Lincoln White moved, seconded by Director Lindsey Cox, to provide continued financial support to the food service program in the amount of \$50,000. Motion passed unanimously, 5-0.

V. Special Education Enrollment and Staffing Impact

Carrie Lutz, Director of Special Education, provided the board and community with a detailed report regarding current staffing levels and changes based on student enrollment.

VI. SBAC Score Disaggregation

Gwen Carmolli, Director of Curriculum & Instruction, provided the board and community with a detailed report on student performance on the SBAC assessment given last spring. Gwen shared that in all grade levels the CSD scores were above the Vermont statewide average.

VII. School Report Recommendations

Superintendent Minor asked for suggestions from school board members as to items to be presented as part of each schools' report. Building Principals will present their school reports in late October/early November.

VIII. Budget Timeline

Superintendent Minor and Business & Operations Manager George Trieb reviewed a plan for involving the community in the budget development process with the board and community.

IX. Personnel Consent Agenda

Superintendent Amy Minor presented the following Personnel Consent Agenda for September 20, 2016.

PERSONNEL CONSENT AGENDA

Board Date: Revised September 20, 2016

Contract Type	First Name	Last Name	Category	Position	FTE/Hours	Building	Agenda Information	Person Replacing	Rationale	Admin Support
Co-Curricular	Andrew	Corran	New Hire	Hockey, Varsity Coach		CHS	Notice of Hire	Greg Murray		Yes
Support Staff	Christopher	Coleman	End of Employment	Paraeducator - EEE Bus	7.5 hr	MBS	Notice of End of Employment			Yes
Support Staff	Jessica	McSweeney	New Hire	Paraeducator - EEE Bus	10.0 hr	MBS	Notice of Hire			Yes
Support Staff	Mitchell	Thayer	New Hire	Paraeducator - EEE Bus	4.0 hr	MBS	Notice of Hire			Yes
Support Staff	Charles	Wise	New Hire	Paraeducator - Special Education	32.5 hr	CMS	Notice of Hire	Justin Chamberlin		Yes
Support Staff	Irene	Shagam	Leave of Absence	Paraeducator - Special Education	32.5 hr	CMS	Request for Leave			

Director Lindsey Cox moved, seconded by Director Craig Kienny, to approve the personnel consent agenda for September 20, 2016. Motion passed unanimously, 5-0.

X. Approval of Minutes: September 6, 2016

Director Craig Kienny moved to approve the minutes of September 6 2016, seconded by Director Lindsey Cox. Motion passed unanimously, 5-0.

XI. Approval of Minutes: School Board Retreat, September 13, 2016

Director Curt Taylor moved to approve the minutes of September 13, 2016, seconded by Director Lindsey Cox. Motion passed unanimously, 5-0.

XII. Board/Administration Communication, Correspondence, Committee Reports

- Theatre Update and Financial Update

XIII. Possible Future Agenda Items

- Budget Timeline
- Continued Policy Work
- Early Education Center – Timelines
- Special Education New Model Shift and Impact

XIV. Adjournment

Director Lindsey Cox moved, seconded by Director Craig Kienny, to adjourn at 9:22 p.m. Motion passed unanimously, 5-0.

Recorder:

Board Clerk:

Amy Minor
Superintendent of Schools

Craig Kienny
Board Clerk