

COLCHESTER SCHOOL DISTRICT

Board of Education Meeting
Colchester High School Media Center

Tuesday, February 6, 2018
7:00 p.m. (General Session)

MINUTES (General Session)

The Colchester Board of Education held a regular board meeting on Tuesday, February 6, 2018, at the Colchester High School Media Center. Those in attendance were Board Chair Mike Rogers; Directors Lincoln White, Craig Kieny, Lindsey Cox, and Curt Taylor; Student Board Member Robert Davis; Superintendent Amy Minor; Director of Curriculum and Instruction Gwen Carmolli; and Principals Chris Antonicci, Julie Benay, and Carolyn Millham.

There were 8 audience members.

I. Call Meeting to Order and Pledge of Allegiance

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

II. Citizen Participation

None.

III. Report from Building Principals

UMS Principal Chris Antonicci and MBS Principal Julie Benay shared how their schools recently honored World Read Aloud Day. At UMS, the school community enjoyed several poems over the intercom. At MBS, they invited community members into classrooms to read aloud to students. Guests included CPD Chief Jen Morrison, several reporters from local media outlets, librarians from Burnham Library, students from the high school, and athletes from St. Michael's College.

Principal Benay also recognized the dedicated effort put forth by the district custodians and maintenance crews over the weekend after a burst pipe lead to standing water in a wing at MBS. Thanks to their efforts, classes resumed as normal on Monday morning.

Principal Carolyn Millham echoed that this time of year is an exciting time for learning. Students are gearing up to celebrate the 100th day of school and teachers are also doing some learning by visiting classrooms in the grade level below them to get a sense of the curriculum and routine. Kindergarten teachers had the opportunity to go over to MBS to spend time with the PreK classes which was quite unique since they are housed in a different building.

IV. Budget Communication Plan and LCATV Filming Work Session

Superintendent Minor shared the master schedule and outline for the FY19 budget communication plan. Included in the plan were a number of PTO and community meetings, a 4-part video series explaining the different components of the budget and how they correlate to district initiatives, letters to the editor in The Colchester Sun, a student perspective video, a direct mailing of the 2018 Report to the Community, as well as a round table taping at LCATV to air in the weeks leading up to the vote. Student Board Director Davis confirmed the LCATV filming to take place on the 12th

and agreed to serve as the moderator. The board then went over potential talking points and common questions to answer during the filming.

V. Approval of Personnel Consent Agenda

The following Personnel Consent Agenda was presented for February 6, 2018.

PERSONNEL CONSENT AGENDA

Board Date: February 6, 2018

Licensed Employees (Teacher/Administrator)

Contract Type	First Name	Last Name	Category	Position	FTE/Hours	Building	Agenda Information	Person Replacing	Budgeted	Admin Support
Administrator	Timothy	Emery	End of Employment	Assistant Principal		CHS	Request to end Employment effective June 30, 2018			Yes
Teacher	Brenda	Hunt	End of Employment	Elementary Teacher	1.0 FTE	MBS	Request to end Employment effective June 30, 2018			Yes

Non-Licensed Employees (Support Staff), Informational

Contract Type	First Name	Last Name	Category	Position	FTE/Hours	Building	Agenda Information	Person Replacing	Budgeted	Admin Support
Support Staff	Lisa	Kromer	End of Employment	Paraeducator-Special Education	32.5 hr	MBS	Notice of End of Employment			Yes
Support Staff	Goma	Mabika	End of Employment	Behavior Interventionist	35.0 hr	MBS	Notice of End of Employment			Yes
Support Staff	Cindel	Otto	Leave of absence	Paraeducator-Special Education	32.5 hr	PPS	Leave of Absence Request 2/12/2018 - End of Year			

Director Cox moved to approve the Personnel Consent Agenda as presented, seconded by Director Taylor. The motion passed, 5-0.

VI. Approval of Minutes: January 22, 2018

Director Cox moved to approve the minutes of January 22, 2018, seconded by Director Kieny. The motion passed unanimously, 5-0.

VII. Board/Administration Communications, Correspondence, Committee Reports

- Superintendent Minor checked in with board members for anticipated attendance to the February 20th meeting. With three members planning to attend she confirmed there will still be a quorum.
- Superintendent Minor shared that Colchester was rated in Money Magazine as the best Vermont town to live in. Part of their reasoning included a favorable rating of the school district.

VIII. Possible Future Agenda Items

- Andros Field Trip Proposal
- Quarterly Reports
- Contract Renewals

IX. Executive Session to Discuss a Personnel Matter

Board Chair Rogers moved to enter executive session at 7:37 pm to discuss a personnel matter as permitted by Vermont Statute: Title One, Section 313, seconded by Director Kieny. The motion passed unanimously, 5-0.

Director White moved to exit executive session at 7:50 pm, seconded by Director Cox. The motion passed unanimously, 5-0.

X. School Board to Hold MBS Principal Interview

The board interviewed finalist Jordan Burke for MBS Principal position.

XI. Executive Session to Discuss a Personnel Matter & Support Staff Negotiations

Director White moved to enter executive session at 8:18 pm to discuss the MBS principal interview and support staff negotiations as permitted by Vermont Statute: Title One, Section 313, seconded by Director Kieny. The motion passed unanimously, 5-0.

Board Chair Rogers moved to exit executive session at 9:17 pm, seconded by Director Kieny. The motion passed unanimously, 5-0.

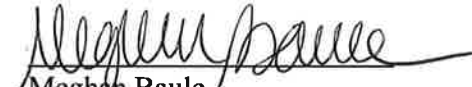
The school board agreed to offer Ms. Burke the Malletts Bay School Principal position.

Director White moved to accept the hiring recommendation for the MBS principal position put forth by the search committee, seconded by Director Kieny. The motion passed unanimously 5-0.


XII. Adjournment

Director White moved to adjourn at 9:18 p.m., seconded by Director Kieny. The motion passed unanimously, 5-0.

Recorder:


Meghan Baule
Communications Specialist

Board Clerk:


Craig Kieny
Board Clerk