COLCHESTER SCHOOL DISTRICT

Board of Education Meeting, Special Meeting - Retreat Central Office Conference Room

Monday, May 21, 2018 4:00 p.m. (General Session)

MINUTES (Work Session)

The Colchester Board of Education held a Special Board Meeting on Monday, May 21, 2018, in the Central Office Conference Room. Those in attendance were: Board Chair Mike Rogers; Directors: Lincoln White, Craig Kieny, Curt Taylor and Lindsey Cox; Superintendent Amy Minor; and Business and Operations Manager George Trieb.

There were no members of the community in attendance.

I. Call Meeting to Order

Chair Mike Rogers called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m.

II. Board of Education Retreat

A. School Safety Update

Lieutenant Doug Allen from the Colchester Police Department provided the board with a presentation on the safety audit that was done in March of 2018. Together, Colchester School District and the Colchester Police Department have developed a strong set of school safety procedures that are rooted in best practices. Lieutenant Allen also gave the board the opportunity to ask any questions regarding district safety planning and the practicing of drills.

B. Town of Colchester Municipal Sewer Project

The board discussed the recent presentation from Public Works Director Bryan Osborne including the financial impact of joining the project. The board plans to have a discussion on the MBS Sewer Project at their June 5 meeting.

C. Negotiations Update

School Board Chair Mike Rogers provided the board with an update as to where negotiations are with support staff. Superintendent Amy Minor and Business Manager George Trieb provided the board with an update on the district's progress transitioning to the new HRA/FSA administrator, DataPath. Overall it is progressing as planned and the next communication to employees will happen this week. The board decided to send a letter to the CEA asking to begin negotiations as the current teacher contract expires June 30, 2019.

D. District Planning

Superintendent Minor shared an overview of a process to develop the next strategic plan for the school district. This process is expected to begin sometime this fall. As part of the visioning process for the district, Superintendent Minor asked to board to discuss the current state of facilities for preschool through grade 2. For the past three years, the board has been discussing a significant investment in district facilities so that they can better

meet the needs of its students. The board expressed a desire to move forward with a facilities project in this area and will have more detailed discussions at the fall retreat. Finally, the board brainstormed topics that they would like to see presented at upcoming school board meetings as part of their 2018-2019 work plan.

III. Hear Possible Future Agenda Items

None.

IV. Adjournment

Board Chair Rogers moved to adjourn at 8:02 p.m., seconded by Director White. The motion passed unanimously, 5-0.

Recorder:

Amy Minor

Superintendent of Schools

Board Clerk:

Craig Kieny Board Clerk