

Colebrook School Board Board Meeting Minutes

Date	2/7/2023
Time	Following Public Hearings
Location	Colebrook Academy & Elementary School Cafeteria
Chairperson	John Falconer

Attendance

Attendance Legend: **P** - Present **E** - Excused **A** - Absent **R** - Remotely

School Board Members				Principal		SAU Members	
P	John Falconer	P	Robert Murphy	P	Kim Wheelock	P	Debra Taylor
P	Deb Greene	P	Tim Stevens		Asst. Principal	P	Bridget Cross
P	Craig Hamelin	P	Tanya Young	P	Ron Patterson		
P	Nathan Lebel				College Career & Technical Education Director		
				P	Tia Cloutier		

Public in Attendance: There were approximately 20 community members in attendance at the meeting.

Minutes

Item		Action
1.	The Board Meeting was called to order at 8:20 pm by Chairman John Falconer.	
2.	Agenda Adjustments: None	
3.	Reading of the Minutes: R.Murphy/C.Hamelin: Motion to approve the School Board minutes of January 17, 2023 as presented.	VOTE: Motion Carries
4.	Hearing of the Public: D.Greene/T.Young: Motion to open 30-minute public session at 8:24 pm. D.Greene/T.Young: Motion to end 30-minute public session at 8:55 pm.	VOTE: Motion Carries VOTE: Motion Carries
5.	School Administrator's Report: Kim Wheelock February Report Kim reviewed her report noting the current enrollment as 317 students PK-12. She provided updates on principal activities and school news. Highlights include a visit with students from North Country Health Consortium concerning the dangers of vaping. She highlighted weekly organized activities including Burke Mountain student skiing and hands on student science and math activities. Winter student STAR and AIMSWEB assessments are complete. Data team meetings for results are happening this week. Teachers met in Data teams this week to review student assessment results and plan interventions. She noted that both elementary and high school met ESSA status of good standing. There are Read Across America and Random Acts of Kindness events this month. The district received \$2000. DASH grant from the Tillotson Foundation to put towards a workshop for middle school students. The workshop is based on the book Oh Shift for teens by Mark Tucker	

	<p>and Jennifer Powers. There are six 55 minutes workshop sessions for middle school students to improve their sense of self and communications skills facilitated by Ken Senzure. The total amount of the presentation is \$3,500. The district also received a donation of \$1,500. from Mr. Strasburger to cover the remaining cost.</p>	
<p>6.</p>	<p>College Career & Technical Education Director: Tia Cloutier February Report Tia reported that 2023-24 student recruitment efforts are underway for North Point Career and Technical Education Programs including visiting students in Pittsburg on February 3 and heading to Canaan to speak with Stewartstown students on February 13 as well as hosting an event for Colebrook students next month. Two students from our culinary team competed at the state level MRE challenge (Granite State Skillet). They represented the North Country Region well and were complimented on the commitment and ability by the head of the culinary program at Lakes Region Community College. She noted that the auto program received a donation of a Camaro from the Lakes Region Community College and Don Noyes Chevrolet. The students have begun diagnostics on the vehicle and completed repairs. Our hospitality program began in the second semester. We have been approached by Mount Washington hotel to arrange shadow visits and potential summer opportunities. She spoke about the Health Science program that has begun implementation of the phlebotomy pathway for students. The program includes classroom instruction by the Health Sciences teacher and school nurse and will also include live clinical hours starting in spring for students who are 18. The Bureau of Career Development awarded a grant for the addition of an Anatomage table. This 3D anatomy table will allow a wide range of learning opportunities. The equipment and software upgrades are warrantied for 5 years. The Education program continues to create lesson plans and objects and implement them withing our classrooms. This strategy of learning has shown success for the student and the teachers alike. The Information Technology Program is coordinating with XR Terra to potentially offer an opportunity for students to participate in a program they have created concerning augmented reality. They are seeking funding from the Tillotson Fund and if approved will allow students access to an entry level understanding augmented reality and the potential for startups in the field.</p>	
<p>7.</p>	<p>Superintendent's Report – Debra Taylor February Report – Debra reviewed her report noting the dates of upcoming public hearings in February in each of our 5 districts. She also provided a five-year comparison of each district's budget's and noted the proposed 2023-24 budgets for each district. She noted that two districts (Pittsburg and Colebrook) included approval of the negotiated collective bargaining agreement with teachers. She also noted that the Colebrook budget included the proposed bond cost for the school bond payment. She informed that board that the problem of reduced revenue is occurring in all SAU 7 districts due to decreased adequacy aid and increased SWEPT taxes. Debra noted that the calendar is under development and will be presented to the SAU Board for approval in April. Teachers are working hard during early release days continuing our focus on competency-based education and personalized teacher and learning. As John Hattie, Educational researcher advises, we expect quality teaching and focus on</p>	

	<p>the impact of teaching on student achievement.</p> <p>Building Project Update – Debra reported that the Building Committee meeting is scheduled on February 9 to discuss communication and the new developments shared this evening. When the building budget and warrants are updated, the board will consider them in a meeting.</p>	
8.	<p>Business Administrator’s Report – Bridget Cross</p> <p>The Board signed the proposed budget document and warrant article as presented.</p> <p>T.Stevens/R.Murphy: Motion to accept the donated vehicle to North Point CTE from the Lake Region Community College and Don Noyes Chevrolet.</p>	VOTE: Motion Carries
9.	<p>NH School Board Association Business: John Falconer</p> <p>None</p>	
10.	<p>Co-Curricular Committee Report: Nathan Label</p> <p>None</p>	
11.	<p>Building Committee Report: Craig Hamelin</p> <p>None</p>	
12.	<p>Policy Committee Report: Deb Greene</p> <p>None</p>	
13.	<p>Negotiations Committee Report: John Falconer</p> <p>None</p>	
14.	<p>Curriculum Committee Report: Nathan Label</p> <p>None</p>	
16.	<p>Technology Committee Report: Nathan Label</p> <p>None</p>	
17.	<p>Unfinished Business</p> <p>None</p>	
18.	<p>New Business - Board discussed concerns on teacher reduction in budget.</p>	
19.	<p>Information –</p> <p>None</p>	
20.	<p>Non-Public Session –</p> <p>None</p>	
21.	<p>Meetings:</p> <p>Colebrook School Board Meeting Tuesday, February 21, 2023 6:00 pm at Colebrook Elementary School Library</p> <p>A special meeting may be called depending on future developments.</p>	
22.	<p>Adjournment:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • T.Stevens/C.Hamelin: Motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:58 pm. 	VOTE: Motion Carries

Respectfully Submitted,
Debra J. Taylor
Superintendent