

Pittsburg School Board Meeting Minutes

Date	October 25, 2021						
Time	6:00 p.m.						
Location	Pittsburg School Library Computer Lab						
Chairperson	Toby Owen						
Attendance							
Attendance Legend: P – Present A – Absent E – Excused C – Cell Phone							
School Board Members			Principals		SAU Members		
P	Jamie Gray	P	Toby Owen	P	Elaine Sherry	P	Debra Taylor
P	Lindsey Gray	P	Reggie Parker			P	Cheryl Covill via Zoom
P	Bob Ormsbee						
Clarksville School Board Members							
A	Erin Blanchard	A	Michael Dionne	P	Heather Mitchell		
Public in Attendance: None							

Roll Call / Pledge of Allegiance: The meeting was called to order at 6:00 pm by Chairman Toby Owen and opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Adjustments to the Agenda: Nonpublic session to discuss personnel issue

Hearing of the Public: None

Reading of the Minutes: School Board Meeting of October 11, 2021

Heather thought her compliment of the job Cheryl has done over the years had been omitted, but she had made the comment at the Clarksville meeting, not the Pittsburg one. Debra said CRCC did not meet on October 12. She did not believe she had specified a date, but the group is planning to meet in November. Jamie abstained from voting as she was not at the last meeting.

Lindsey stated he is not interested in participating in CRCC. Jamie also doesn't want to continue due to the inactivity of the group. She thinks the group needs to be restructured. Debra asked that they respond with their concerns when they receive the email from Kyle with the meeting date.

L. Gray/R. Parker: To approve the minutes of October 11, 2021.

VOTE: MOTION CARRIES

Special Reports: None

Policy Review: The committee is meeting and will have policies for review at the SAU meeting on November 10th.

Connecticut River Collaborative Committee: Kyle will email when the next meeting is scheduled.

School Administrator's Report – Elaine Sherry (no written report included)

Tom Leduc has been in and will continue to work with the teachers after Elaine leaves.

Superintendent's Report – Dr. Debra Taylor:

1. Students are no longer required to wear masks as the numbers are down.

2. If COVID tests are needed, payment will be required from the parents. Department of Health now has a new program that allows school nurse to test students. Bob asked if this was for school population only. Debra thought it is just for students.
3. Elaine Sherry has submitted her resignation due to the health of her father. She will be moving to assist him in the end stage of his life. Her last day will be November 12th.

Business Administrator’s Report – Cheryl Covill:

Cheryl attended the meeting via Zoom as she is working from home while her ankle and foot are healing.

1. She will have a budget analysis at the next meeting.
2. Administrative team has been meeting.
3. Transportation: Have one applicant for the small bus only. May have a second one soon.
4. Playoffs: Boys are playing Newmarket and Girls are playing Concord Christian. Both are away games.

Unfinished Business: RFPs for Technology Equipment. A spreadsheet was presented to the Board with the bid results. Monies are to come from the ESSER II Grant. Recommendations from the IT personnel were highlighted. In each case, they recommended awarding the bid to the lowest bidder.

Item	Quantity	Company	Price each	Total \$
Logitech Keyboard/Mouse	14	B & H	42.00	588.00
Interactive Flat Panel Cart	1	Trafera	499.00	499.00
AC-LITE Cart (no chargers)	1	B & H	825.00	825.00
AC-LITE-PW-45 Charging Cart	2	B & H	1375.00	2,750.00
Lenovo Chromebooks	3	CDW-G	266.16	798.48
Google Chrome License	3	CDW-G	31.00	<u>93.00</u>
TOTAL				5,553.48

J. Gray/T. Owen: To approve purchasing the above equipment from the vendors recommended by the IT Department for a total of \$5,543.48.

VOTE: MOTION CARRIES

New Business: Resignation of Principal Elaine Sherry.

Lindsey: Thank you for what you’ve done. Wish things could have been different in some areas. Good Luck.

Toby: Thank you

Reggie: Agree with Lindsey

Jamie: Can school board members participate in the exit interview with the Superintendent?

Toby: At the end of the November 8th meeting, can you sit with the Board? Elaine – yes.

Jamie: She is leaving Pittsburg School better than it was when she came.

Debra: Appreciate that she agreed to stay for the opening of this school year. October is National Recognition of Principals month.

J. Gray/T. Owen: To accept Elaine Sherry’s resignation with regrets.

VOTE: MOTION CARRIES

Other Business: None

Meetings:

Next meeting for Pittsburg School Board will be November 8, 2021 at 6:00 pm.

Patricia & Heather left the meeting at 6:35 pm as the Board was entering nonpublic session.

Respectfully submitted,

Patricia E. Grover
Minutes Taker

T. Owen/R. Parker: Motion to enter nonpublic session per RSA 91-A:3, II(c).

ROLL CALL VOTE: L. Gray – yes; J. Gray – yes; B. Ormsbee – yes; T. Owen – yes; R. Parker – yes.

Debra Taylor and Elaine Sherry were invited to be present during the nonpublic session.

T. Owen/J. Gray: Motion to leave nonpublic session and return to public session at 7:00 pm.

ROLL CALL VOTE: L. Gray – yes; J. Gray – yes; B. Ormsbee – yes; T. Owen – yes; R. Parker – yes.

J. Gray/T. Owen: Motion to appoint M. Blais as acting principal.

VOTE: YES – 4; NO – 1

T. Owen/J. Gray: Motion to advertise interim principal internally and externally and require all applicants to complete the application on School Spring.

VOTE: YES – 4; NO – 1

J. Gray/T. Owen: Motion to accept the COVID-19 leave policy through the end of the school year.

VOTE: MOTION CARRIES

Adjournment:

T. Owen/R. Parker: Motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:24 pm.

VOTE: MOTION CARRIES

Respectfully submitted,

Debra J. Taylor
Superintendent

Adopted 11/08/2021