

**Pittsburg School Board  
Public Hearing / Meeting Minutes**

<b>Date</b>	February 14, 2022						
<b>Time</b>	6:00 p.m. – Public Hearing / Regular School Board immediately following						
<b>Location</b>	Pittsburg School – Bremer Pond Auditorium						
<b>Chairperson</b>	Toby Owen						
<b>Attendance</b>							
<b>Attendance Legend: P – Present A – Absent E – Excused C – Cell Phone</b>							
<b>School Board Members</b>			<b>Principals</b>		<b>SAU Members</b>		
P	Jamie Gray	P	Toby Owen	P	Debbie Lynch	P	Debra Taylor
P	Lindsey Gray	P	Reggie Parker			P	Cheryl Covill
P	Bob Ormsbee						
<b>Public in Attendance:</b>							

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

**Agenda Adjustments:** None

**Hearing of the Public:**

- Amendment to the AREA Agreement
  - Shall the district vote under the provisions of RSA 195-A:3, XI to extend the term of the current AREA Agreement with Clarksville currently set to expire on June 30, 2024 by two (2) years to June 30, 2026

**Reading of the Minutes:** School Board Meeting minutes of January 24, 2022

L. Gray /R. Parker: Motion to approve the minutes of January 24, 2022, as presented.

**VOTE:** MOTION CARRIES

**Special Reports:** None

**Policy Review:** None

**School Administrator’s Report:** Debbie Lynch

- There are a few changes to the principal’s report since it was written. The elementary school basketball tournament was moved to the weekend of the 12<sup>th</sup> and 13<sup>th</sup>. Next week on the 23<sup>rd</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup> Jason from Siskin will be here. February 24<sup>th</sup> will be the Elementary Olympics and the 25<sup>th</sup> will be the High School Olympics. The community can visit the Olympics displays on the 24<sup>th</sup> from 4:30 to 6:00 pm. Winter break is scheduled from Monday, February 28<sup>th</sup> through March 4<sup>th</sup>.
- Neil Prehemo and I have spoken regarding the gym key. He is willing to be responsible for the key to the gym and paperwork for community members to be able to use the gym on weekends if the board approves of this.

J. Gray/R. Parker: Motion to approve Neil Prehemo, as Athletic Director, overseeing the key to the gym to allow community members to use the gym according to the guidelines established by the Board of Directors.

VOTE: MOTION CARRIES

- The Annual Men's Basketball Tournament will be held in the Pittsburg gym and the Colebrook gym on the weekend of March 18<sup>th</sup> through the 20<sup>th</sup>. This has not happened for many years since the beginning of COVID-19. However, this is a good fundraiser, and the raised funds will go toward the purchase of a 1000-point recognition banner for the gym wall.
- The students all made birthday cards and sent about 65 cards to Skip Young for her 100<sup>th</sup> birthday.
- Colebrook has invited the students at Pittsburg School to join them for Winter Carnival at Coleman State Park. This information has been shared with Mrs. Pettit, Student Council Advisor. Currently, there does not seem to be a lot of interest from students.
- The Pittsburg Winter Carnival is based on the Winter Olympics. The Student Council has been planning these two days and other students are helping as well.
- At the time of this report, the girls' basketball team is in second place in the state with 13 wins and 1 loss. The boys are in 17<sup>th</sup> place with 5 wins and 7 losses.
- Would like to start having the teachers visit the school board meetings to give an update on what is going on in their classrooms. This could happen right at the beginning of the meetings and talk for about 5 minutes. This will start at the March 14<sup>th</sup> meeting.

**Superintendent's Report:** Debra Taylor

- I had a very strong interview with the candidate for the math teacher. Would like to offer Jonathan Cooper the position with the board's approval. He comes with a lot of experience.

R. Parker/T. Owen: Motion to authorize Superintendent Taylor to formalize the offer to Mr. Cooper

VOTE: MOTION CARRIED

- Getting ready for all of the annual school meetings.
- Still working on the CTE Program. Spoke with the consultant at the Department of Education this morning and he is passing our packet into the commissioner this morning. Hoping to have an answer by the end of February from the commissioner.

**Business Administrator's Report:** Cheryl Covill

- Additional cost for phone service – Updated the school phone services a couple of years ago. Saved the SAU phones for this year. The cost would be \$1,914.00 out of the SAU budget but does require your vote.

L. Gray/R. Parker: Motion to purchase the additional items needed to get the SAU phone system upgrade.

VOTE: MOTION CARRIED

- Fax line for school nurse – There is an issue with the security/HIPAA with faxes coming in from medical facilities to the nurses. Cheryl is looking into a more secure system. IT has suggested that a dedicated fax line be added that goes directly into the nurse's office.

T. Owen/R. Parker: Motion to approve the purchase of the new fax machine with a dedicated phone line to the nurse's office.

VOTE: MOTION CARRIED

- Contract for hood cleaning – Finally found a company, Johnson Controls, to come and clean the hoods in the kitchen. The rate will be \$1,500.00. They would like us to enter a 5-year contract but would be able to get out of the contract with a 30-day notice. The cost will increase by \$45.00 each year. Have not been able to find anybody to take on this job. This is a requirement to have completed each year. This has been budgeted every year.

R. Parker/L. Gray: Motion to approve going into a 5-year contract with Johnson Controls for \$1,500.00 annually with a \$45.00 increase each year to the contract.

VOTE: MOTION CARRIED

- A couple of months ago sent out bids regarding the catch basin in the driveway and to remove the light pole. There have been no bids to date. Would like to call a local contractor to see if they will take care of this in the spring. The board was in agreement with this.
- Reviewed warrant articles for the upcoming meeting and who is making the motions. Reviewed why the tax rate is up to \$0.81. Reviewed the adequacy aid which is new to Pittsburg.

**Unfinished Business:** None

**New Business:** None

**Other Business:** None

**Information:** None

**Non-Public Session:** None

**Meetings:**

- Pittsburg School Board Meeting: Wednesday, March 2, 2022 @ 5:30 pm – Pittsburg School library computer lab
- Pittsburg School Board Annual Meeting: Wednesday, March 2, 2022 @ 6:00 pm – Pittsburg School gymnasium
- Pittsburg School Board Meeting: Monday, March 28, 2022 @ 6:00 pm – Pittsburg School library computer lab

**Adjournment:**

T. Owen /R. Parker: Motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:10 pm.

VOTE: MOTION CARRIES

Respectfully Submitted,  
Billie Paquette  
Minute Taker

**Adopted 03/02/2022**