

Pittsburg School Board Meeting Minutes							
<b>Date</b>		5/28/2025					
<b>Time</b>		6:00 pm School Board Meeting					
<b>Location</b>		Pittsburg School Conference Room					
<b>Chairperson</b>		Willard Ormsbee					
School Board Members				Principal		SAU Members	
P	Jamie Gray	P	Reggie Parker	P	Misty Blais	P	Dana Hilliard
P	Lindsey Gray	P	Daniel Kurtz		<b>Student Member</b>	E	Bridget Cross
P	Willard Ormsbee			P	Joli Carlson		
<b>Public in Attendance:</b>							

**Roll Call / Pledge of Allegiance:** The meeting was called to order at 5:58 pm by Chairman Willard Ormsbee opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Agenda Adjustments:**

- RSA 91-A:3, II (b)
- RSA 91-A:3, II (c)

**Hearing of the Public:** None

**Reading of the Minutes:**

**J. Gray/R. Parker:** Motion to approve the May 12, 2025, minutes.

**VOTE:** Motion Carries

**Principal Report:** Misty Blais (Interim)

May Principal Report – Seniors are starting to get the gym put together so they can start on the cedar on Saturday. There are a lot of activities coming up including the NH Scholars breakfast that will take place tomorrow to honor our valedictorian and top honor students. Dana and Misty will both be attending this event.

The 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> graders will be going to Siskin on a field trip on Tuesday.

The summer dance will not be happening but hopefully it will be rescheduled for fall.

Student Report – Joli expressed her thoughts on the athletic banquet. She is suggesting doing two banquets, one at the end of fall sports and then one again at the end of the school year. She feels that the soccer players and cross-country runners would get more attention.

The board thanked Joli for her time as student representative to the board.

**Superintendent Report:** Dana Hilliard

May Superintendent Update – Dana read a short tribute to Debbie Lynch.

Bob and Dana met with Rick Alpers from Primex via zoom. They discussed the clear path that was assigned to this board at the annual meeting to examine the future of the Pittsburg School. Rick has agreed to meet with this board to hear all of your ideas. He does not take sides he is a neutral person in

these discussions. He has given a list of dates for the board to choose from for him to come up. The board agreed that June 13<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 am would work best. The meeting will be held in the Pittsburg School Conference Room. Rick has proposed to hear the committee members' ideas as far as moving forward and then he will come back up so that it can be presented in a public forum. Diplomas will arrive this week. Misty will reach out to let the board know when they can come in and sign them.

The board reviewed the Pittsburg School Board Meeting calendar. Dana has three dates that he suggests changing which are the dates during winter and spring vacations and Memorial Day. If the meetings during the breaks are removed and something comes up during that time Dana would call a special board meeting.

**R. Parker/J. Gray:** Motion to approve the 2025/2026 Pittsburg School Board Meeting Calendar with moving May 25, 2026 meeting to May 26, 2026, and removing the meeting dates of February 23, 2026, and April 27, 2026.

**VOTE:** Motion Carries

**R. Parker/J. Gray:** Motion to approve the quote from North Country Refrigeration for \$ 4,500.00 to replace the Thrush Pump.

**VOTE:** Motion Carries

**R. Parker/J. Gray:** Motion to approve DS Security quote for the Fire Alarm System Panel for \$9,525.00.

**VOTE:** Motion Carries

Dana reminded the board that if they replaced the panel only at some point in the future this could become out of compliance again. He discussed whether the panel is replaced now that the company could map out a plan with cost to upgrade the rest of the system over time.

Generator Maintenance Options – Bridget has reached out to three local companies, and one was no response and the other two declined. Reggie is offering to call Larry Lamire and speak to him and also stop in at Chadwick-BaRoss in Lancaster. Dana stated that the SAU would go back and find other companies to contact.

School Clerk Position

**J. Gray/R. Parker:** Motion to approve Billie Paquette as the school clerk

**VOTE:** Motion Carries

**Business Manager Report:** Bridget Cross

**Unfinished Business:**

Update on Septic Issue – Met with Jimmy Belknap last week. He does not feel we should pull back to the bulk storage and replace that piping. We know that it is clear. He suggests confining all the work to the English room. Take out the grease trap as it is clogged and fix where the pipe is blocked and take it all the way outside to the PVC pipe. This work can be done when the school is closed for the summer. He will be writing up a quote and sending it to Bridget. Once it is received Dana can call a meeting so that the board can meet and vote on this.

**New Business:**

Bob brought up diplomas and that he has been contacted to sign the diploma for a Pittsburg resident who attends Colebrook School. The Clarksville Chair will be signing the diplomas along with the Pittsburg School Board the Clarksville students graduating from Pittsburg this year. Dana will review the Colebrook diplomas and see if there is a designated space for Bob to sign. Dana has decided that he will not be speaking at graduation this year.

**Information:****Other Business:****Non-Public Session:**

**D. Kurtz/R Parker:** Motion to go into non-public session RSA 91-A :3, II (b) regarding Personnel at 6 :58 pm.

**Motion Approved by Unanimous Roll Call Vote**

Superintendent Hilliard, Interim Principal Blais and Chris Paquette were invited to stay in non-public session.

**R Parker/J. Gray:** Motion to come out of non-public session RSA 91-A :3, II (b) at 7 :25 pm.

**Motion Approved by Unanimous Roll Call Vote**

**R. Parker/J. Gray:** Motion to hire the Social Studies Teacher discussed in non-public  
**Vote:** Motion Carries

**R. Parker/J. Gray:** Motion to hire Matt Jordan as Athletic Director as discussed in non-public  
**Vote:** Motion Carries

Currently Pittsburg School is waiting on a contract from Canaan for the wood working teacher. This contract would only be for 1 year.

**J. Gray/R Parker:** Motion to go into non-public session RSA 91-A :3, II (c) at 7 :26 pm.

**Motion Approved by Unanimous Roll Call Vote**

Superintendent Hilliard, Interim Principal Blais and Chris Paquette were invited to stay in non-public session.

**J. Gray/R Parker:** Motion to come out of non-public session RSA 91-A :3, II (c) at 7:45 pm.

**Motion Approved by Unanimous Roll Call Vote****Meeting Dates:**

- Pittsburg School Board Meeting: Monday, May 28, 2025 @ 6:00 pm – Pittsburg School Conference Room

**Adjournment:**

**R. Parker/J. Gray:** Motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:46 pm.

**VOTE:** Motion Carries.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Billie Paquette,  
Executive Assistant

Board Adopted: May 28, 2025