

Chebeague Island School Committee Minutes
January 5, 2020
6:00 P.M.

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 6:01 pm by the School Committee Chairperson, Jeff Putnam. School Committee members in attendance were Leah Guay, Suzanne Rugh, Jen Belesca, and Carol White. School staff present were Superintendent/Principal Ann Kirkpatrick, Nancy Ernest, Sarah Klein, Polly Wentworth. Others in attendance were Justin Poirier, Christine Auffant, and Vika Wood

Approval of Agenda- A motion was made by Carol White to approve the agenda as written. Seconded by Leah Guay. Motion passed 5-0-0.

Minutes from December 1, 2020- A motion was made by Carol White to approve the minutes for the School Committee Meeting of December 1, 2020 as written. Seconded by Suzanne Rugh. Motion passed 5-0-0.

Minutes from December 15, 2020- A motion was made by Carol White to approve the minutes for the School Committee Meeting of December 1, 2020 as written. Seconded by Suzanne Rugh. Motion passed 5-0-0.

Correspondence- We received a request from the CPA firm to ask the state for an extension on the audit for FY2020. The paperwork has been sent to the state.

Public Comment -none

Reports

School Committee Chairperson- Jeff Putnam commented on the concerts and play that the staff and students put together for the community. It is on YouTube for all to watch.

Superintendent/ Principal- Ann Kirkpatrick and Polly Wentworth met with John Wilson to discuss the composition and placement of a bench on the playground. The bench will be plastic compost and placed on the lawn facing the playground. Installation will take place this spring. The Superintendent told the School Committee that there was a newsletter on the CIS website. The staff will continue their professional development training to become a trauma informed school. This work is done individually and during a monthly staff meeting dedicated to just this topic.

The Superintendent pointed out that Tuesday, January 12, 2021 will be another low tide. CTC will not be running the 3:45 boat, but all other boats are expected to run. After a discussion, the Superintendent will meet with the staff and let the School Committee know when the issue has been resolved. The Superintendent will also contact CTC to get the date and times of other potential interruptions in the boat schedule that impact the school schedule.

Old Business

We have completed half of the current budget cycle for FY21. The town office sent a summary of the school department's accounts. The school to date has expended about 42% of the total budget. This summary will be shared with the School Committee.

New Business

Policy- ACAB- Harassment of School Employees; A motion was made by Carol White to approve the rewrite of policy ACAB in its first reading. Seconded by Leah Guay. Motion passed 5-0-0.

Policy- ACAB-R- Harassment of School Employees Complaint Procedure; A motion was made by Carol White to approve the rewrite of policy ACAB-R in its first reading. Seconded by Leah Guay. Motion passed 5-0-0.

The Superintendent stated that the newly enacted employment law will have budget implications.

Other Business

There will be a warrant to sign by the end of the week.

Adjournment at 6:57 pm

Respectfully Submitted,
Ann C. Kirkpatrick; Superintendent