

CHEBEAGUE ISLAND SCHOOL COMMITTEE Minutes
Tuesday, November 12, 2019 – 6:00 P.M. in 3-5 classroom

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 6:08 pm by Chairperson Jeff Putnam. Present School Committee members Jeff Putnam, Suzanne Rugh, Jen Belsca, Carol White. Absent school committee member; Courtney Doughty. School staff present Superintendent/Principal Ann Kirkpatrick, Nancy Earnest. Town Manager Marjorie Stratton.

Flag Salute

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Approval of Agenda

Chairperson Jeff Putnam added to the agenda under new business the budget calendar and the letter to the Cumberland County Credit Union. Suzanne Rugh moved to accept the agenda with the changes and Jen Belesca seconded. Motion passed 4-0-0.

Approval of Minutes for School Committee Meeting of October 15, 2019

Motion from Jen Belesca and seconded by Suzanne Rugh to accept the minutes for the School Committee Meeting of October 15, 2019. Motion passed 3-0-1 (cw)

Correspondence - none

Public Comment

Marjorie reported to the board the amounts in the designated accounts; Capital Reserve \$29,891, Special Education \$60,797, Secondary Tuition \$82,080, and Playground \$5,400.

School Committee Chairperson

The conversation started regarding goals for the Chebeague Island School Committee in order to keep the school moving forward and up to date in their areas of responsibility. Curriculum was the first topic. The School Committee would like to review the 3 year rotation of the curriculum. Other points related to curriculum included STEAM, assessments, Respond to Interventions, report cards. There was also discussion on making sure that all Chebeague Island School stakeholders were able to give feedback and voice concerns.

Superintendent/Principal

Our school nurse was at school checking all hearing and sight of the schools. She also checked the immunization records of all the students and gave a list to follow up on. Parent/Teacher conferences are coming up, parents should be looking for communication from their child's teacher.

The van door is not closing all the way causing the battery to drain each night. Kevin starts the van for us. There is an appointment to have the van fixed on Wednesday, November 13 and take it to Lee Toyota in Topsham. We should have it back next Wednesday. We will be using the town SUV.

All Staff have received a communication from me regarding their status of fingerprinting and certifications. We are also making sure that teachers have a plan for recertification.

The MSMA Fall Conference was October 24-25, 2019 at the Augusta Civic Center. Ms. Kirkpatrick brought back information from the Drummond Woodsum workshop she attended.

Emergency Alert Systems: Chebeague Island School currently uses the email system to communicate with the teachers and parents regarding delays and cancellations. Ms. Kirkpatrick has the ability to add people to this system and in the different categories. The app Remind was looked at but there are limitations on the time needed to understand how it could be utilized. Google text is another system that will need some more research. Television Channels 6, 8 and 13 need to be used for communication during storms.

The School Committee has asked that we further research Call em All. We will need to request information from the Middle School and High School Students and include them in the alerts. It was agreed that we would test it out once the information is uploaded. If it works we will pay as we go for \$0.09 per message sent.

Old Business

Carol and Ann have met and discussed the CTC Contract for July 1, 2019- June 30, 2020.

There are some minor changes in the dates of payment. There was no breakdown in the cost analysis of the \$7,000 for the extra trips. There was no break in the cost of the teachers commuting everyday. However, the school does receive 5 flex passes for the Cousins Island Parking lot.

Motion: Carol White moved that the School Committee reluctantly accept the draft Agreement for Transportation Services between CISD and CTC for the period July 1, 2019 to June 30, 2020, seconded by Suzanne Rugh. Passed 4-0-0.

Child Find Policy -Motion: Carol White moved that we accept the Child Find Policy in its second reading, seconded by Suzanne Rugh. Passed 4-0-0

Animals in the School Policy- Motion: Jen Belesca moved that we accept the Animals in the School Policy in its second reading, seconded by Carol White. Passed 4-0-0.

New Business

Policies: Visitors in the School- The School Committee review the draft policy from MSMA and made suggestions for revision of Policy. This will be brought back for a first reading.

The Board of Selectman have shared their budget timeline. The school committee will be ready.

Chebeague Island School has an account at Cumberland County Credit Union. Michael Pulsifer and Meredith Beaupre are the current people on the account. The bank has asked for a letter signed from the School Committee Chair stating who should be on the bank account. Jeff Putnam sign the letter for Ann C. Kirkpatrick and Christin Nadeau for be put on the account.

Other Business

Signing of the Warrant

Adjournment

The board was adjourned at about 7:35 pm