

Chebeague Island School Committee
Regular Meeting Minutes- at the Chebeague Island School
March 22, 2022
6:00 P.M.

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 6:58 p.m. by the School Committee Chair Suzanne Rugh. School Committee members in attendance were Courtney Doughty and Jeff Putnam. Also in attendance were Superintendent Ann Kirkpatrick and Nancy Earnest..

Approval of Agenda for March 22, 2022- A motion was made by Jeff Putnam to approve the agenda for March 8, 2022 with the addition under New Business of Website Proposal and Information of Owl for remote meetings. Seconded by Courtney Doughty.. Motion passed 3-0-0.

Minutes from March 8, 2022- A motion was made by Courtney Doughty to approve the minutes for March 8 , 2022 as written. Seconded by Suzanne Rugh. Motion passed 2-0-1(jp).

Correspondence- The School Committee received a letter from Emily Short resigning from the board. Ann Kirkpatrick sent a reply email expressing the School Committee's regret but understanding.

School received two letters from the State of Maine regarding posting notification of the water samples from the school. Carol White described a plan to make sure the information is communicated to the parents and shared with the state. Water testing notifications will be posted on our website in the future.

Public Comment - None

Reports

School Committee Chairperson- Suzanne Rugh shared about the boat on Monday, March 21 not in operation for the school run. It was wonderful that Alex Todd was able to take them all across.

Superintendent/ Principal- Ann Kirkpatrick asked if the School Committee wanted to change the days of their meetings back to the first and third Tuesdays of the month. The School Committee agreed on the following Tuesdays for their meetings; April 12 (with the selectboard), April 26, May 3 and 17, June 7 and 21, 2022.

LeadTeacher- no report

New Business

Policies-The School Committee looked over the policies; Superintendent Evaluation Support Staff Positions, Support Staff Employment Purchasing and Contracting: Procurement Staff Code of Conduct and School Volunteer Agreement. These policies are referenced in recent policies that the School Committee has approved. They will be reviewed for first reading at the next School Committee meeting.

Web Page- Jeff Putnam shared the information from Emery Creative LL. The proposal is for developing a new webpage for Chebeague Island School that is more user friendly and the design more appealing to prospective residents!

Jeff Putnam made a motion to approve the proposal from Emery Creative and begin working with them on a new website for Chebeague Island School. Seconded by Courtney Doughy. Motion passed 3-0-0.

Jeff Putnam made a motion to write a grant to The Recompense Fund for Supporting the Sustainability of Chebeague to help with the cost of developing and maintaining a new website for the Chebeague Island School. Seconded by Courtney Doughy. Motion passed 3-0-0.

Draft of School Budget 2022-2023. The School Committee reviewed the March 2022 draft budget with updates from the February budget highlighted. There was a pie chart depicting the percentages of the cost centers to the whole budget. This was done as a comparison of this year's approved budget to next year's proposed budget.

Jeff Putnam made a motion that the School Committee accept the March 2022 draft budget as a first draft to move forward with talking points to the Selectboard. Seconded by Suzanne Rugh. Motion passed 3-0-0.

Old Business

Owl Technology- tabled

Other Business

There were 2 warrants for the School Committee to review and sign.

Adjournment at 7:44 pm

Respectfully Submitted,
Ann C. Kirkpatrick; Superintendent