

Chebeague Island School Committee  
Regular Meeting Minutes  
July 12, 2022  
held at the Recreation Department  
6:00 P.M.

**Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order at 6:05 p.m. by Jeff Putnam. School Committee members in attendance were Courtney Doughty, Elizabeth Doughty, Nancy Earnest. Also in attendance was Superintendent Ann Kirkpatrick and BookKeeper Tim Opalenik.

**Approval of Agenda for July 12, 2022-** A motion was made by Nancy Earnest to approve the agenda for July 12, 2022. Seconded by Courtney Doughty. Motion passed 4-0-0.  
Recommended to move the introduction of Tim Opalenik to after correspondence.

**Minutes from June 21, 2022-** A motion was made by Elizabeth Doughty to approve the minutes for June 21, 2022. Seconded by Nancy Earnest. Motion passed 4-0-0.

**Correspondence-** The school received a letter from Carol White to the compliance inspector with the remedy and timeline for our drinking water. The school will continue with the water bubbler and bottled water until the water is deemed drinkable again.

There was a reminder that the School Committee had received a letter of resignation from Christine Englund. She will not be teaching art next year. It is recommended that in addition to putting the jobs on Serving Schools that we also post on Bev's website.

**Public Comment** - none

**Report from School Committee Chair-** Jeff let the School Committee know that we had a meet and greet with the web designers on Zoom. Present at the meeting from the school were Jeff Putnam, Ann Kirkpatrick, Sarah Klien and Christin Nadeau. Emery Creative shared their timeline this summer for designing and rolling out the new site!

**Report from Superintendent/Principal-** Ann Kirkpatrick reported what was happening in the office over the summer; DOE reports, reviewing job descriptions and goals for the next school year. She also shared the itinerary from the Commissioner's Conference.

**Report from Lead Teacher-** Sarah shared in an email that the teachers are resting, relaxing and also meeting to discuss plans for the fall.

**Old Business**

Ann Kirkpatrick shared the information she had learned about electric buses. They are quiet, there is not a lack of power on hills, bumpers and wheel caps are blue to distinguish them from diesel. The current program for drawing the cost of electric busse is a federal rebate program. After filling out the form online, CIS was deemed not eligible. This was confirmed with a phone call with DOE Director of Transportation Pat Hinckley. The next round of money will be for grants- the Superintendent signed up to be on mailing lists for information on electric buses.

Lion was the company that was awarded the contracts for electric buses. It was noted that when the school was renovated in 2018/19 that the electrical panel was not upgraded; plugging vehicles in to recharge or a recharging station would need to be researched.

Ann Kirkpatrick has asked the CTC director to meet this summer. We are working to set up a meeting.

### **New Business**

The School Committee introduced themselves to Tim Opalenik. Tim is the new bookkeeper hired by both the town and the school.

The School Committee reviewed the date for the workshop on Boardmanship. Ann will ask the facilitator of August 23, 2022 from 4:30 to 6:00 would work in his schedule.

Information about the Efficiency Maine Program was shared. CIS would look at this program as possible help with a new efficiency furnace. Research to this program will continue.

### **Warrant- signed**

The School Committee adjourned at 7:15

Adjournment

Respectfully Submitted,  
Ann C. Kirkpatrick; Superintendent