

Chebeague Island School Committee Minutes
February 4, 2020
5:30 P.M.

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 5:35 pm by Chairperson Jeff Putnam. School Committee members in attendance were Jen Belesca, Courtney Doughty, Suzanne Rugh, and Carol White. School staff present were Superintendent/Principal Ann Kirkpatrick, teacher Sarah Klein and cook/custodian Polly Wentworth. Community members Deborah Hall and Lola Armstrong.

Flag Salute

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Approval of Agenda

A motion was made by Suzanne Rugh to approve the agenda as written. Seconded by Jen Belesca. Motion passed 5-0-0.

Minutes from January 21, 2020

The minutes were tabled.

Correspondence- none

Public Comment -none

Reports

School Committee Chairperson- Jeff Putnam had no report at this time.

Superintendent/ Principal- Ann Kirkpatrick gave an update on the climate of the school. We are working as a school to be more Respectful and Responsible. Tomorrow we will be adding the word Honest. The students are responding very well. There is more learning happening and the cafeteria is a pleasant place to eat a meal.

Ann accepted on behalf of the school committee the resignation of Andrew Martell, music teacher. Mr. Martell will stay on until we have a replacement and will work to make the transition smooth.

New Business

Tooth Protectors- The town counsel is hosting the Tooth Protector program on Chebeague Island. They would like to have at least 6 students sign up for the cleaning. Dental Insurance is not needed, but if you have insurance they will bill it. The COunsel will pay for any child that does not have the means to pay for the cleaning. The Tooth Protetor Program will take place at the recreation center, permission slips will go through the school. Motion from Courtney Doughty that the Chebeague Island School support this program. Seconded by Suzanne Rugh. Motion passed 5-0-0.

2020-2021 School Calendar- The school committee looked at Yarmouth's approved calendar. Chebeague has the same number of student days 175. There was discussion about the Island Institute 2 day workshop in October, using professional development days for curriculum work. The calendar will be recalculated and presented at the next Committee Meeting.

Old Business

Policy- KI Visitors in the School. A Motion was made by Courtney Doughty to approve the Policy KI in the second reading with a correction. Seconded by Carol Wright. Motion passed 5-0-0.

Budget Preparation-

The School Committee reviewed the current year's budget FY20. We are about 60% through the current fiscal year. Areas of concern are 8310 general supplies, 8406 technology software, 8408 guidance wages, 8110 communications/telephone, 8209 printing, 8702 substitute bus driver, 8611 insurance, 8617 contracted services for care and upkeep of the grounds.

The School Committee reviewed line items of the FY21 school budget and made recommendations; technology inventory and replacement schedule, research the personnel and school responsibilities of state and federal insurances. In comparing FY20 to FY21 budgets take out the Maine Pers bill so that it is more equitable.

Other Business

The warrant was discussed and signed.

Executive Session- none

Adjournment at 7:45 pm

Respectfully Submitted,
Ann C. Kirkpatrick; Superintendent