

## **Chebeague Island School Committee Meeting Minutes Tuesday, September 5, 2017**

### **Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order at 6:03 pm by Chairperson Jeff Putnam. Present: School Committee members Jeff Putnam, Stephen Todd (excused late), Suzanne Rugh, Jen Belesca and Courtney Doughty; and school staff Superintendent/Principal Mike Pulsifer.

### **Flag Salute**

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

### **Approval of Agenda**

A motion was made by Jen Belesca and seconded by Courtney Doughty to approve the agenda as written. The motion passed 4-0.

### **Approval of Minutes**

A motion was made by Suzanne Rugh and seconded by Jen Belesca to approve the meeting minutes of August 23, 2017. The motion passed 4-0.

### **Correspondence**

Mike Pulsifer shared an invitation the School Committee received to attend the upcoming Maine School Board Association's delegate assembly meeting on October 26<sup>th</sup>. Any SC members who are interested in attending can let Mike know and he will register them for this meeting.

Mike also shared an email from Kelley Rich at the Chebeague Recreation Center about some questions concerning the School Department using the CRC facilities if the renovation is approved. The School Committee asked Mike to get back to Kelley with affirmative answers on the questions.

### **Public Comment**

None

### **Reports**

School Committee Chair: None

Superintendent/Principal: Mike Pulsifer updated the School Committee on the August 29, 30 and 31 teacher workshops that the staff took part in prior to school starting. The major focuses were on staff trainings (State mandated/CPR/First Aid), and a study the staff did on a book they read this summer together called *Raising Human Beings*. Mike also shared the current Chebeague Island student enrollment count with the SC. He noted that there was a request from a Cousins Island family seeking permission to send their four-year-old child to CIS for Pre-K. Mike also reported that he has hired a new Ed Tech III for the current vacancy; Caroline Fernandes will be able to start her new job in early October. And finally, Mike reminded the SC of the upcoming

joint School Committee meeting with Yarmouth on September 16<sup>th</sup>, and some questions about logistics were reviewed.

### **Old Business**

Renovation/Referendum Public Form(s): The School Committee had a lengthy discussion about having a public forum for residents to hear more about the proposed school renovation project. After much debate, it was suggested for the Superintendent to see if the Chebeague Recreation Center could be used for a public meeting. Mike Pulsifer will speak to the Town Manager and Recreation Director to get more feedback on desired dates and times. It was suggested to have the public meeting in late October before the November 7<sup>th</sup> vote. The SC suggested having a mailing go out to all citizens before the public forum, to give them updated information that would be helpful in learning about the renovation. In addition, it was suggested to also have packets placed around the community with details on the renovation for the public to take and read. Mike will report back to the School Committee at the next meeting on the progress.

Chebeague Island School Department Technology Plan – Second Reading: The updated CISD Technology Plan was reviewed by the School Committee. This plan was updated by the Policy Committee earlier in July. A motion was made by Courtney Doughty and seconded by Stephen Todd to approve the second and final reading of the updated CISD Technology Plan. The motion passed 5-0.

### **New Business**

Part-time Music Teacher Appointment: Mike Pulsifer informed the School Committee that at this time he does not have a candidate to recommend. The SC agreed to wait on this appointment until its next meeting.

Part-time Spanish Teacher Appointment: Mike Pulsifer recommended Matthew Hoidal as the part-time Music teacher for CIS. A motion was made by Courtney Doughty and seconded by Suzanne Rugh to appoint Matthew Hoidal as the part-time Music teacher for the 20017/18 school year. The motion passed 5-0.

Part-time Technology Teacher Appointment: Mike Pulsifer recommended Beverly Johnson as the part-time Technology teacher for CIS. A motion was made by Suzanne Rugh and seconded by Jen Belesca to appoint Beverly Johnson as the part-time Technology teacher for the 20017/18 school year. The motion passed 5-0.

### **Other Business**

Warrant #3 was reviewed and approval was authorized for warrant.

### **Adjournment**

Courtney Doughty motioned and Stephen Todd seconded to adjourn the School Committee meeting at 7:35 pm. The motion passed 5-0.

