

Stewartstown School Board Meeting Minutes

Date	January 2, 2018
Time	4:15 p.m.
Location	Stewartstown Community School Library
Chairperson	Philip Pariseau

Attendance

Attendance Legend: **P** – Present **A** – Absent

School Board Members				Principals		SAU Members	
P	Kathleen Covell	P	Philip Pariseau	P	Jennifer Mathieu	P	Bruce Beasley
P	Kara Sweatt					P	Cheryl Covill

Public in Attendance: None

Item	Subject	Action
1.	The meeting was called to order at 4:35 pm <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Roll Call – all present 	
2.	Adjustments to the Agenda:	
3.	Hearing of the Public: None	
4.	Reading of the Minutes: <u>K. Sweatt/P. Pariseau:</u> To approve the minutes of December 4, 2017 as presented.	Vote: Unanimous
5.	Policy Review (30 Minutes) – Student Handbook: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> No review due to time constraints 	
6.	School Administrator’s Report: Jennifer Mathieu <ul style="list-style-type: none"> December was a very busy month with STAR360 Professional Development for teachers, a jam-packed Christmas Concert, a GearUp pizza party for families in 7th & 8th grade, planning with a STEM consultant for the second half of the year, preparing for data meetings, and education and communication on a situation involving a bed bug sighting. In January, we will have the first visit from the STEM Consultant, Everett Frizzell; Professional development focused on Coding with Dawn Hall; Eight students will attend the LIPS conference; we will host a luncheon at which alumni from the area will talk to our 7th and 8th graders as part of GearUp. 	
7	Superintendent’s Report: Bruce Beasley <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Caitlin Davis and Christine Brennan attended the SAU Fall Meeting. Collaborative Team meeting on January 3 at Colebrook Academy. GearUp team held a pizza party. They are now planning the lunch with current college students. I attended the annual holiday concert. Kids were terrific. I want to thank the entire SCS staff for taking the time to attend this concert. Board chairs will meet on January 9th in Pittsburg. 	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SB 193 and HB 525 could have significant impact on the upcoming budget. He encouraged board members to reach out to representatives and/or attend the hearings on these bills. • He mentioned the busing problems. 	
8.	<p>Business Administrator's Report: Cheryl Covill</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Busing problems: First is a fuel problem at the Columbia State Garage. The buses will be fueling at Lemieux Garage until the problem is corrected. Second is Bus 11 may have other problems, also. • SAU Policy Committee met and reviewed A & B sections. We realized that most of Stewartstown's policies were outdated. We will be using the model policies from NHSBA as a starting point. Next meeting will be January 11. • A few years ago, Becky Hodge received a grant from the Tillotson Foundation and formed North Country Reads. At the moment they have \$500 left, but do not have a sponsor. Bruce signed the forms for Stewartstown to become the new sponsor. Stewartstown will now be able to participate in this program. 	
9.	<p>Unfinished Business: None</p>	
10.	<p>New Business:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bruce asked the Board what components they wanted in the new policy on tuition. It will include tuition and transportation to the three area high schools (Canaan, Colebrook, & Pittsburg). If students want to go somewhere else, parents will be responsible for the tuition. • Kathleen asked about insurance and liability if parents transport other students. • Gordon Graham will draft this policy, so these points will be given to him. • The proposed calendar for 2018-2019 was presented. This will be voted on at the April SAU meeting. • Budget Discussion ensued on 2018-2019 budget. Cheryl will revise the budget as per direction from the Board. They will meet again 15 minutes before the budget committee hearing on January 30 at 5:45 pm. • Jenn spoke about the Adequate Education Survey that she had to complete. It is recommended that the students have the opportunity to participate in technology education programs. She is going to meet with the Pittsburg Principal and Guidance Counselor to see if Stewartstown 8th graders and possibly the 7th can attend Industrial Arts and/or Consumer Science classes at Pittsburg. Cheryl said this could work if the classes were at the end of the day. This would mean the bus would leave for Pittsburg an hour earlier and the driver would wait until the class was over and bring those students as well as the students attending Pittsburg High School back. • Cheryl then reviewed the revenue estimated for 2018-2019. There are Keno funds for Kindergarten. There will be a minimum of \$1100 per Kindergarten student available. 	
11.	<p>Nonpublic Session: <u>K. Sweatt/K. Covell:</u> To enter nonpublic session at 5:50 pm</p> <p>Bruce Beasley, Cheryl Covill, Jennifer Mathieu, and Patricia Grover left the meeting at 5:50 pm.</p>	<p>Roll Call Vote: K. Sweatt – yes; K. Covell – yes; P. Pariseau – yes</p>

	<u>K. Sweatt/K. Covell:</u> To return to public session at 6:17 pm.	Roll Call Vote: K. Sweatt – yes; K. Covell – yes; P. Pariseau – yes
11.	Meeting adjourned at 6:20 pm.	
Respectfully Submitted, Patricia E. Grover, Minutes Taker		