

Stewartstown School Board Meeting Minutes

Date	04/02/18
Time	4:15 p.m.
Location	Stewartstown Community School
Chairperson	Philip Pariseau

Attendance

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

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

Public in Attendance: None

Item	Subject	Action
1.	<p>Superintendent Bruce Beasley called the meeting to order at 4:18 pm</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Requested nominations for a Chairperson <p><u>K. Sweatt / K. Covell:</u> To nominate Philip Pariseau as Chairperson</p> <p>There were no other nominations. Philip Pariseau was declared Chairman and assumed the chair for the meeting.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Requested nominations for a Vice Chairperson <p><u>K. Covell / P. Pariseau:</u> To nominate Kara Sweatt as Vice Chairperson</p> <p><u>K. Sweatt / K. Covell:</u> To keep the following positions the same as last year</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> NHSBA Delegate: Kathleen Covell NHSBA Alternate: Kara Sweatt Legislative Delegate: Philip Pariseau Legislative Alternate: Kara Sweatt Budget Committee: Kara Sweatt Budget Committee Alternate: Kathleen Covell 	<p>Vote: 2 yes 1 abstention</p> <p>Vote: 2 yes 1 abstention</p> <p>Vote: Unanimous</p>
2.	Hearing of the Public: None	
3.	Agenda Adjustment(s):	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> None 	
4.	<p>Reading of the Minutes:</p> <p><u>K. Sweatt / P. Pariseau:</u> To accept the minutes of March 5, 2018 as presented with the following changes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> #6 – change bed bus to bed bugs Superintendent’s Report: “she will work with teachers” BA Report: “audit findings” 	Vote: Unanimous
5.	Special Reports:	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No reports 	

6.	<p>School Administrator's Report: Jennifer Mathieu</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Written report attached • Discussed proposal to add five garden beds • Kim Dorman is working with John Kennedy toward her teaching certificate for middle and high school science. • Amanda Kellner, Farm to School Coordinator, contacted J. Mathieu regarding the possibility of composting • Testing thus far has gone well <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Grades 5 & 8 Science testing remains • Spring field trips <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Would like 8th grade students to visit the other schools in the Fall. • Josee Brunault submitted her resignation effective 5/18/18. 	
7.	<p>Superintendent's Report: Bruce Beasley</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Written report attached • Karin Hess, a consultant on Assessment Development, began working with staff at the Professional Development Day on March 23rd. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ She will continue her work with SAU staff for three days in June ○ Karin comes highly recommended by other area Superintendents who have hired her for similar work in their district. • Wednesday, March 14th was the second school day cancelled due to weather. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ This pushes the last day of school back to Monday, June 18th. ○ B. Beasley will likely ask the Boards to waive this day since we have ample instructional time to meet state requirements. ○ Teachers will need to continue to work until they complete 184 contracted days. • Board Chairs will be meeting on 4/5/18 in Stewartstown to discuss formation of a Regional Committee • Several staff members attended the Gear Up Regional meeting in Gorham on 3/28/18. • Recycled Percussion performed at Colebrook Elementary School <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ All schools in SAU #7 and Canaan participated. 	
8.	<p>Business Administrator's Report: Cheryl Covill</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The school district received preliminary approval on the Dept. of Education's Infrastructure grant. • Received preliminary approval from the NH Charitable Trust on the Farm to School grant • Received health insurance rates for 18-19. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Rate will increase 15.2% based on SAU history of claims 	
9.	<p>Policy Review:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Second reading of "B" policies <p><u>K. Covell / K. Sweatt:</u> To waive policy on policy and accept the "B" policies as written.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Distributed "C" and "D" policies for a First Reading <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ These policies were recommended by the SAU Policy Committee 	Vote: Unanimous

10.	Unfinished Business: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • None 	
11.	New Business: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Debrief School Budget Meeting: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ B. Beasley commended the School Board on a great job ○ Meeting went well • Regional Committee next steps <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ School Board Chairs will meet on April 5th to discuss the parameters and ground rules moving forward ○ Need to designate a spokesperson, establish target dates, set first agenda, community selection process, number of members from each district and data needed • Collaboration <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Distributed student and staff surveys focused on the Collaborative Programs <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Reviewed responses and comments • Staffing: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Discussed proposed support staff nominations <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Assistant Principal ▪ Water monitoring ○ Discussed proposed teacher nominations for FY 18-19 <p><u>K. Sweatt / K. Covell:</u> To accept the Superintendent’s nominations for teaching staff</p> <p><u>K. Sweatt / K. Covell:</u> To approve the Superintendent’s nominations for support staff.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Curriculum Pay <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Superintendent Beasley asked to increase the rate of pay for Professional Development from \$17 per hour to \$20 per hour for new Professional Development initiatives. <p><u>K. Covell / K. Sweatt:</u> To approve the new professional development rate.</p> • Garden Beds <p><u>K. Covell / K. Sweatt:</u> To approve the proposal to build five additional garden beds.</p> 	<p>Vote: Unanimous</p> <p>Vote: Unanimous</p> <p>Vote: Unanimous</p> <p>Vote: Unanimous</p>
12.	Information: None	
13.	Other Business: None	
14.	<u>P. Pariseau / K. Sweatt:</u> To adjourn the meeting at 5:45 p.m.	Vote: Unanimous
15.	Meetings: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SAU #7 Spring Meeting: 4/18/18 at 6:00 p.m. in Columbia • Stewartstown School Board Meeting: May 7, 2018 at 4:15 p.m. 	

Respectfully Submitted,
Cheryl Covill
Business Administrator SAU #7