

STEWARTSTOWN SCHOOL BOARD

May 12, 2015

4:15 pm

Stewartstown Community School

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Board: Philip Pariseau, Kara Sweatt, Kathleen Covell
Principal: Jennifer Mathieu
SAU: Cheryl Covill, Robert Mills
Public: Hasen Burns, Allen Coats

The meeting was called to order at 4:30 pm.

Hearing of the Public:

Public Hearing was held to accept and expend up to \$424,311 for each of five years of the “Now is the Time – Project Aware” grant; and CFDA 93.243 Substance Abuse/Mental Health Services and IDEA grant in the amount of \$3,200.

P. Pariseau/K. Sweatt: To accept and expend up to \$424,311 for each of five years of the
VOTE: UNANIMOUS “Now is the Time – Project Aware” grant; and CFDA 93.243
Substance Abuse/Mental Health Services and IDEA grant in the
amount of \$3,200.

Reading of the Minutes:

K. Sweatt/P. Pariseau: To accept the minutes of April 6, 2015 as presented.
VOTE: UNANIMOUS

Allen Coats and Hasen Burns met with the Board to discuss the sewer issues that the school is currently dealing with. Both the town and the school district will look for any information on who installed the original line from the house, currently owned by the Young’s, to US Route 3.

Allen Coats and Hasen Burns left the meeting at 4:48 pm.

School Administrator’s Report – Jennifer Mathieu

1. Written report attached
2. Handbook changes
 - ⇒ Tardiness – added consequences for repeated tardy arrivals
 - ⇒ Tank Tops – modify policy to allow school-appropriate tank top style dresses up through Grade 4.
3. Off-site evacuation was held on May 8th
4. Smarter Balanced Testing has gone well
 - ⇒ Working on make-up tests for those who missed any sessions.

Superintendent’s Report – Robert Mills

1. Written report attached
2. Nominated Jennifer Noyes as the Project Aware Project Manager

K. Sweatt/K. Covell: To employ Jennifer Noyes as the Project Aware Project Manager
VOTE: UNANIMOUS

3. Noted that we now have a vacancy for the part-time physical education position as Cindy Hamel has decided not to return for 2015-16.
4. Nominated Claudia Pannier as the interventionist.

K. Covell/K. Sweatt: To employ Claudia Pannier as the interventionist
VOTE: UNANIMOUS

Business Administrator's Report – Cheryl Covill

1. Fuel Oil and Electricity

- ⇒ Requested that for the fuel oil purchase the Superintendent and Business Administrator be authorized to lock in a price for purchasing.
- ⇒ Electricity – recommended using Competitive Energy Services to find the best electricity rate.

K. Sweatt/K. Covell: To authorize the Superintendent and Business Administrator to lock in on a fuel price if it falls between \$2.25 - \$2.30 per gallon.

VOTE: UNANIMOUS

2. Sewer System

- ⇒ Distributed copies of the invitation to quote on the project

3. In the process of filing a wetlands permit to clean the ditch

4. Roof bids

- ⇒ Received two bids from:
 - Northeast Exterior
 - Independent Roofing and Metals

K. Sweatt/K. Covell: To authorize awarding the bid to the low bidder if references and information check out.

VOTE: UNANIMOUS

5. Insurance – Health Insurance Plans

- ⇒ Distributed information on current plans and options

K. Covell/K. Sweatt: To offer options for health insurance with deductibles through Health Trust

VOTE: UNANIMOUS

6. Policies

- ⇒ Distributed copies of current policies and model policies

7. New bus – it won't be available until mid-October

- ⇒ Will see if bus #16 can be used.

8. Food service

- ⇒ After next year, we would need to go out to bid
- ⇒ Would stay with the Abbey Group for one year
- ⇒ After next year, look at going back to running our own program.

Kara Sweatt left the meeting at 6:06 pm.

The meeting adjourned at 6:16 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Robert C. Mills
Superintendent of Schools

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