

COLEBROOK SCHOOL BOARD

June 23, 2015

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PRESENT:

Board: John Falconer, Lisa Whitaker, Brian LaPerle., Greg Placy
Rick Brock, Brian LaPerle
Principals: Dan Gorham, Mark Fiorentino
SAU: Robert Mills, Cheryl Covill
Columbia School Board: Chris Brady, Stacey Campbell, Crystal Lesperance
Public: Ginette White, Robin Maxwell

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm.

Hearing of the Public

The Columbia School Board met with the Colebrook Board to discuss the AREA Agreement. Chris Brady asked how the CTE options would be made known to students. Made sure that students, starting in 9th grade, know their options so they can schedule accordingly. Discussed scheduling to avoid conflicts for those who wish to take CTE programs in the afternoon. There was also some discussion about possibly combining some bus routes between the two districts.

Public Hearing

To accept and expend Edna Greer Manning Funds to purchase 40 Chromebook computers for Colebrook Academy at an approximate cost of \$13,680.

J. Falconer/B. LaPerle: To accept and expend from the Edna Greer Manning Fund approximately \$13,680 to purchase 40 Chromebook computers for Colebrook Academy.

Discussion on the motion:

Ginette White read a letter from Alicia Boire and herself opposing the use of the Manning Funds to purchase Chromebooks. Robin Maxwell asked questions regarding the budgeting process and the purchasing of Chromebooks in the future.

VOTE: UNANIMOUS

Ginette White and Robin Maxwell left the meeting at 7:40 pm.

Reading of the Minutes

J. Falconer/L. Whitaker: To approve the minutes of June 3, 2015 as presented.

VOTE: UNANIMOUS

School Administrator's Reports

Colebrook Elementary School – Dan Gorham

1. Written report attached
2. Discussed school's vision statement – vision statement included in written report

B. LaPerle/J. Falconer: To approve the vision statement for Colebrook Elementary School.

VOTE: UNANIMOUS

3. Recognition Wall
⇒ The first two inductees will be Ruth MacLean and Mary Jolles
4. Reading Logs

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⇒ To promote 20 minutes of reading each night at home for pre-school through grade 5

5. Garden Beds

⇒ The two raised beds have been planted and will be used within the classroom curriculum. One box designed to attract Monarch butterflies and the other to be a hummingbird garden.

Colebrook Academy – Mark Fiorentino

1. Policy GBEF-R – Employee Acceptable Use Policy

J. Falconer/L. Whitaker: To waive the policy on policies and approve policy GBEF-R at this meeting.

VOTE: UNANIMOUS

2. Handbooks

B. LaPerle/L. Whitaker: To approve the student handbooks for Colebrook Elementary School and

Colebrook Academy
VOTE: UNANIMOUS

Superintendent's Report – Robert Mills

1. Nominated Kendyl Smith as Colebrook Elementary School counselor

J. Falconer/L. Whitaker: To approve employing Kendyl Smith as the Colebrook Elementary School

Counselor
VOTE: UNANIMOUS

2. School Nursing Services

⇒ Contracting with Indian Stream Health Center for school nursing services

B. LaPerle/L. Whitaker: To approve contracting with Indian Stream Health Center to provide

school nursing services.
VOTE: UNANIMOUS

Business Administrator's Report – Cheryl Covill

1. Technology Bids

⇒ Distributed copies of the bid comparisons

⇒ There was discussion on letting Clint Brooks send out the bid specs himself. It was decided that would be more efficient as it would eliminate an extra step.

J. Falconer/B. LaPerle: To award the technology bids as recommended.

VOTE: UNANIMOUS

2. Smartboards

⇒ Three bids were received

⇒ Recommended awarding the bid to the lowest bidder, Headlight.

L. Whitaker/J. Falconer: To award the bid to Headlight as the lowest bidder..

VOTE: UNANIMOUS

3. A tree at the Elementary School needed to be cut down; asked about disposing of the wood

⇒ It was recommended to call Haven Haynes as he gathers firewood for families in need.

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4. Colebrook's IDEA and Preschool Grants
⇒ The Preschool grant is for \$921.00
⇒ The IDEA grant is for \$67,801.00

J. Falconer/B. LaPerle: To approve pending the insertion of a written copy

VOTE: UNANIMOUS

Unfinished Business

1. Reviewed a letter from Ginette White and Mary Trask requesting permission to apply for a grant through the Tillotson North Country Foundation for leadership training, transportation to events and team building activities for students.

B. LaPerle/L. Whitaker: To grant permission to apply for a grant.

VOTE: UNANIMOUS

New Business

The following policies were reviewed for a first reading:

- IHCA – Summer Activities
- IHCD/LEB – Advanced Coursework/Advanced Placement Courses
- IK – Earning of Credit
- ILBAA – High School Graduation Competencies
- IMAH – Daily Physical Activity

Committee Reports

- ⇒ Dan Gorham and Mark Fiorentino reported on the curriculum committee meeting of June 17th.

New Hampshire School Boards Association – John Falconer

- ⇒ John presented the School Board of the Year Award at the “ED”ies ceremony in Manchester.

J. Falconer/B. LaPerle: To adjourn at 8:28 pm.

VOTE: UNANIMOUS

Respectfully submitted,

Robert C. Mills
Superintendent of Schools

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8/5/2015