

MINUTES

WINCHESTER BOARD OF EDUCATION SPECIAL INFORMATIONAL MEETING TUESDAY, June 13, 2017

P. FRANCIS HICKS ROOM, 2ND FLOOR, TOWN HALL – 7:00 P.M.

- I. Call to Order 7 pm.
- II. Roll Call
 - A. Present: Freeman Burr, Michelle Hintz, Douglas Pfenninger, Nora Mocarski, Christine Royer, Alexandria Propfe, Nancy O’Dea-Wyrick, Dr. Ellen Stoltz
 - B. Absent: Liz O’Dowd, Theresa Starzyk, Rob Vogt, John Pollock
- III. Pledge of Allegiance
- IV. Approval of Agenda
 - A. Motion to approve agenda *with tabled Items IX - I and IX - J* - Michelle Hintz, Second: Alexandra Propfe
 1. **Approved: Unanimous**
- V. Presentations/Recognitions [PPT Handout]
 - A. Principal Updates
 1. Batcheller - Debra Grainsky, Principal
 - a) Celebrations shared
 - b) NWEA results shared.
 - c) Moving forward: Increase student attendance, extension of Social Skills Block, School-wide jobs to foster responsibility.
 2. Pearson - Barbara Silverio, Principal
 - a) Celebrations shared.
 - b) NWEA results shared.
 - c) Moving forward: Increase student attendance, Bridges curriculum
 3. Student Support Services, Seamus Cullinan, Director
 - a) Accomplishments shared
 - b) Continuum of Services shared
 - c) Mission Statement shared [Handout]
 1. **NOTE: Please send feedback to S. Cullinan**
 4. Family Resource Center & Early Childhood Services, Ruthann Horvay, Coordinator
 - a) Year-end FRC Milestones shared
 5. CHAMPS/STEAM Update, Dr. Stoltz for Theresa Padin, Coordinator
- VI. Public Comment
 - A. None
- VII. Approval of minutes
 - A. Motion: Alexandra Propfe, Second: Michelle Hintz
 1. **Approved: Unanimous**
- VIII. Communications to the Board
 - A. None
- IX. CSDE Receiver/Superintendent’s Reports & Action Items
 - A. ED Advance Curriculum Work & Next Steps
 1. Professional Development to roll out new units - Early dismissal - 4 days @ end of year to share the work completed with the faculty of the whole
 2. Commissioner’s Network funds provided for further curricular work from June 27 through 30th - 20 hrs.

- B. Commissioner's Network Funding & Staff Reconfiguration [Handout]
 - 1. Position - Job Descriptions [In WBOE Packet]
 - a) Reorganization of existing structure - Additional staff not required. To attract continued Commissioner's Network funding & support; Eliminating five (5) Certified Coaches Positions and reconfiguring in the following way:
 - (1) Elementary School Dean - Batcheller only. Teaching position, not administrative. Impact: Assistant Principal would then be dedicated to Pearson only. Partially funded through anticipated amount of Commissioner's Network funds. Subject to receiving these funds.
 - (2) Instructional Specialists (2) - Partially funded through anticipated amount of Commissioner's Network funds. Subject to receiving these funds.
 - (3) Intervention Specialists (4) - Non-certified. Partially funded through anticipated amount of Commissioner's Network funds. Subject to receiving these funds. Impact: This reduces interventionists from six to four. These four will be posted non-certified positions
 - 2. ELL - JD
 - a) English Learner (EL) Specialist, District-wide. Funded through the general budget and some special funds (i.e. 90%/10%)
- C. Alliance Grant Pre-Application Phase
 - 1. We are proceeding with the assumption that we will be an alliance district.
 - a) But just in case, we made cuts assuming reductions of this money. If this money is restored, then the cuts will be revisited.
- D. Alliance District Facility Grant
 - 1. We applied for a few projects:
 - a) Batcheller - to repair upper playground parking lot; to fix the buckling of the first floor; to retile specific classrooms; repoint chimney
 - b) Pearson - to repair and repave parking lot; fix broken fixtures of in bathrooms & instal electric hand dryers.
- E. WPS - TGS Update
 - 1. TGS is voting on the two-year contract on June 20th.
 - 2. A joint press conference to be scheduled if contract is approved
- F. School-based Health Center Update
 - 1. CHR has created the Center located on the 3rd floor of Pearson - Reception & examining rooms. Services will include: dental care, physical health, and now include behavioral health services.
 - a) Discussion over encouraging more families to take advantage of services included "robo-calls," inclusion of information in registration packets, addition to district webpage.
- G. Non-Bargaining Unit Staffing Agreements
 - 1. Capping all @ 2% (kin to the teacher's increase)
 - 2. Hoping all salary agreements will be approved.
 - 3. **NOTE: June 27th - Finance meeting**
- H. Voluntary Retirement Incentive Program [Handout - MOU]
 - 1. Goal: Prevent further cuts.
- I. *School Security Grant Reimbursement - TABLED.*
- J. *ED Advance IT Agreement - TABLED.*
- K. Hinsdale Facility

1. The WBOE has not officially closed Hinsdale.
 2. Note report: Castagnola Report, 2012 exists and should be reviewed
 3. General discussion of future student populations & building conditions
- X. Board Action Items
- XI. Comments by the Board Chair
- A. **NOTE: BOE RETREAT: July 15, 2017 @ Douglas Pfenniger's house**
- XII. Reports of BOE Standing Committees
- A. Finance Committee: June 30th is the end of the FY2016.
1. Concern is shared about the Out of District Costs
- B. Policy Committee
1. FIRST READ in July. To adopt in AUGUST.
- a) Recommends DELETING 6178. ADD NEW: 6171.2
- (1) This is available on the WBOE website to read
- b) 3541 to be revised
- c) 6172.4 was discussed to insure no parent is singled out for Title I
- d) Nepotism & Conflict of Interest discussed.
- e) **NOTE: NEXT MEETING: July 10, 2017**
- XIII. Unfinished business - None
- XIV. New Business - None
- XV. Adjourn
- A. **Motion:** Alexandria Propfe, Second: Michelle Hintz
1. **Approved: Unanimous** @ 10:07pm.