

CHELSEA BOARD OF SCHOOL DIRECTORS
Regular Meeting
Wednesday, March 6, 2013
6:30 P.M.
Chelsea School Library
MINUTES – Approved 3/20/13

School Board Members Present:

Joe Spinella
Emily Marshia
Kylie Eastman
Rebecca Mattoon
Calvin Johnson

Administration Present:

David Bickford – Superintendent
Tara Weatherell – Note Taker
Mark Blount – Principal

Community Members:

None

Faculty Present:

None

- 1.0 Call to Order **Meeting called to order at 6:32**
- 2.0 Pledge of Allegiance
- 3.0 Action: Approve Minutes
 - 1.1 Action: Act to Approve the Minutes of February 20, 2013 **Board approved the minutes of February 20, 2013 with the following correction 8.1.3 replace the name Casey for Tracy**
 - 1.2 Review Previous Action Items: **No Actions to Review**
 - 1.3 Other
- 4.0 Adjustments to the Agenda
 - 4.1 Assign Times **Board assigned times**
 - 4.2 Appoint Time Keeper
 - 4.3 Other
- 5.0 Correspondence
 - 5.1 Other
- 6.0 Public Comments
 - 6.1 Other Wendy Forbes commented positively on content in the Points of Pride Publication and was disappointed that there were a lot of grammatical errors.
- 7.0 Board Reorganization
 - 7.1 Elect a Chairperson **Nomination made and seconded for Joe Spinella, board approved.**
 - 7.2 Elect a Vice-Chair **Nomination made and seconded for Emily Marshia, board approved.**
 - 7.3 Elect a Clerk **Nomination made and seconded for Kylie Eastman, board approved.**
 - 7.4 Appoint a Truant Officer **Nomination made and seconded for Tracy Simon, board approved.**
Kylie to contact the Sheriff's office to inquire if the department would act as alternative Truancy Officer in the event Tracy Simon is not available.
 - 7.5 Appoint Three Members to the Supervisory Union Board **Nominations made and seconded for Joe Spinella, Kylie Eastman and Emily Marshia, board approved.**

- 7.6 Appoint One Member and One Alternate to the OWSU Executive Committee Board **Nomination made and seconded for Joe Spinella as the Member and Kylie Eastman as Alternate, board approved.**
- 7.7 Appoint Representative to RTCC **Nomination made and seconded for Calvin Johnson, board approved.**
- 7.8 Set Date and Time of the Regular School Board Meetings **Nomination made and seconded for the First & Third Wednesday at 6:30, board approved.**
- 7.9 Designate Newspaper and Radio Station for Official Notices **Nomination made and seconded for Vermont Association of Broadcasters, The Herald, The Valley News and The Times Argus, board approved.**
- 7.10 Posting Warnings **Nomination made and seconded for the Town Clerk, Community Board between Will's and Chelsea Country Store, School Lobby and Post Office, board approved.**

- 8.0 Principal
 - 8.1 Report: Principals Report
 - 8.1.1 Winter Carnival is Friday, March 9, 2013
 - 8.1.2 Sports Award Night is being moved to Thursday, March 28, 2013 at 6:00 pm
 - 8.2 Other:

- 9.0 Superintendent
 - 9.1 Report: Legislative Update
 - 9.1.1 No update at this point from legislature
 - 9.1.2 Paul Tuff was the Key Note Speaker at Regional Professional Development, well received, but disappointing if people were looking for specific answers; did present ways to look at Student Achievement Data which was very helpful; this will be followed up on during the Administrative Team Meeting tomorrow and a plan of action will be established from there.
 - 9.2 Other:

- 10.0 OWSU
 - 10.1 Report: Update on Negotiations
 - 10.2 Future Meeting Dates:
March 7, 2013 @ 6:00 PM – Negotiations @ South Royalton
March 14, 2013 @ 6:30 PM – Executive Committee @ OWSU – CANCELLED
March 21, 2013 @ 6:00 PM – Negotiations @ South Royalton

- 11.0 RTCC Representative
 - 11.1 Report: **None**
 - 11.2 Other:

- 12.0 Old Business
 - 12.1 Report:
 - 12.2 Other:

- 13.0 New Business
 - 13.1 Report: Policy discussion with regard to student records
 - 13.1.1 Reviewed Memo to principal and superintendent that Kylie drafted based on prior discussions in prep for future policy development, five year planning, goal development and update of school mission.
 - 13.1.2 Results based accountability discussion which has been used for the Non Profit organizations in the State of Vermont; Emily shared how it works with the Board to review and take into consideration. Start with outcome/what is desired and work back from there to determine the processes, etc. needed to achieve the desired outcome.
 - 13.2 Town Meeting Debrief:
 - 13.2.1 Power Point Style handout and legislative definitions were helpful and should be included every year

- 13.2.2 Having the teachers organize bring the student work over to be on display was wonderful and the Board is very appreciative of their work to organize and set this up!
- 13.2.3 Discussion around the comment that the Board was manipulating the budget to end with a surplus each year and how we can prevent the community feeling this way in the future, the suggestion was made that we make sure that the intentions are clear and what the alternative options are so the community knows what the options are in dealing with these types of funds
- 13.2.4 Conversation about the paraprofessionals and what their role is in the classrooms. Board feels the community may benefit from further education on the purpose/role of paraprofessionals.
- 13.2.5 Suggestion was made to actually use a consolidated budget rather than the long form that is the Town Report now which identifies what items are set by the State, Union, etc. with a reference that if they would like a full copy of the report it is available by request. **The Board would like this format for the next Town Meeting.**
- 13.2.6 The music performance to start the meeting was excellent.

13.3 Other:

14.0 Future Agenda Items:

- 14.1 Special Revenue Funds
- 14.2 Energy Audit
- 14.3 Other

15.0 Future Chelsea Meetings

- 15.1 Regular Meetings
March 20, 2013 @ 6:30 PM

16.0 Other Business

17.0 Executive Session: *(if necessary)*

- 17.1 **Not necessary.**

18.0 Adjourn (*Target Time 9:00 PM*) **Meeting adjourned at 8:48**