

Chittenden Central Supervisory Union
Union #46 School Board Meeting
May 17, 2010, 6:30 P.M.
EHS Library - 2 Educational Drive, Essex Junction

Board Members Present: Jack Behlendorf, Tim Kemerer, Al Bombardier, Brian Donahue, Ryan McLaren, G. Miller (arrived at 6:49 PM)

Administrators Present: Dr. Michael Deweese, Judith DeNova, Rob Reardon, Kathy Finck

Others Present: Attachment A (2 pages – 37 names)

Jack Behlendorf (Chair) called the meeting to order at: 6:34

Visitors and Staff to be heard:

LATIN: Speaker summary comments:

1. Request to restore the program,
2. Stated benefits of the Latin program (educational, historical, etc),
3. Stated suggested ways to find a replacement Latin teacher,
4. Board was presented with letters of Latin support, and
5. Urged the board and Administration to reconsider its decision.

Speakers included: Mary Ann Chaffee, Ruby MacIntyre, Joshua Knox, Philip Ambrose, West Pastor, Alan Overton, Seth Jensen, Mary O'Neil, Una Ro

Attachment B Jane Goodman letter

Attachment C Erica Baron letter

Attachment D Four teachers Latin support letter (Mary Ann Chaffee)

Attachment E Latin examples in current press

Idling: Speaker summary comments:

1. Request to the board to create a vehicle idling policy,
2. Air quality concerns related to student Health/Safety and
3. Environmental concerns related to vehicle idling.

Speakers included: Kayla Ray, M. Hilman and Ana Rose

Attachment F 4-H Environmental Group letter/model policy.

Observations of a retiring Board member:

G. Miller made the following observations:

EHS/CTE has made good progress (over his seven years of service) principally because of:

1. Strong Administrative leadership and
2. The outstanding contributions of EHS Principal Rob Reardon and CTE Director Kathy Finck,

G urged the board to be inclusive of students and to govern from a policy perspective.

The Chair on behalf of the board thanked G for his service.

Senior class Gift:

Tim made the motion "To gratefully accept the Senior Class gift of six (of eight) replacement water (drinking) fountains to the school at a cost of \$6,000.00". Seconded by G. Motion passed: 6:0.

Board's Committee on Board-Student Relations:

The Chair congratulated Lain Axworthy on his election to Student Council President. The board is open to unfiltered student feedback and looks forward to a mutually agreeable process for interaction between the board and the student council.

Principal's report:

Kathy Finck Director of CTE reported:

1. The NEASC Team has completed their school re-accreditation data collection activities. A draft report is currently being reviewed for accuracy. A final report should be available in the next few weeks.
2. The Department of Education may revise its definition of a "Student Completer". This action could negatively impact both Students and Tech Schools across the State.

Rob Reardon EHS Principal reported:

1. EHS's NEASC 10 year re-accreditation appears to be delayed due to the unavailability of NEASC team members.
2. New NEASC standards as of 2011,
3. May 24,2010 Greenhouse dedication, and
4. Honors night will be held on May 27, 2010.
- 5.

Board Committee Reports:

- The Communications Committee is working on monthly tasks.
- The Policy committee is working on Policy G.
-

Legislative Update:

Note: This item was deleted by the board due to time constraints.

EHS NECAP Analysis:

- Science NECAP is scheduled for May of 2010.

-

Metrics:

Note: This item was deleted by the board due to time constraints.

Board Summer Planning Meeting:

1. Board self-assessment (Jack),
2. School Action Plan/Metrics (Tim),
3. Calendar mapping (Brian),
4. Formalize student Rep. Interaction process (Jack).

Note: Graduation requirements discussion may be moved to the Board's regular June meeting.

Consent Agenda:

Included:

- Warrants,
- April 14, 2010 minutes,
- Recommendations for Professional Appointments,
- Resolution for HRA,
- Solar Panel BID

G requested the "Recommendations for Professional Appointments be pulled.

G made the motion to approve the modified consent agenda. Seconded by Brian. Motion passed 6:0

G made the motion to approve Recommendations for Professional Appointments.

Seconded by Tim.

- Discussion: The Administration clarified applicant qualifications/license process.
- *Motion passed 6:0.*

Future Agenda Items:

1. Latin (Administration input requested),
2. Idling Remand to the Policy committee.

Meeting Re-cap:

The chair re-capped the meeting.

Executive Session: Collective Bargaining and Student matter

Al made the motion to enter into executive session for the purpose of Collective bargaining and a student matter. Seconded by Ryan. Motion passed: 6:0.

Time entering into executive session: 9:15 PM.

Time exiting executive session: 9:52 PM.

Adjourned:

G made the motion to adjourn. Seconded by Ryan. Motion passed: 6:0.

Meeting adjourned at 9:53 PM.

Respectfully submitted by,
Al Bombardier
Clerk Union # 46 School board