

**AUBURN SCHOOL BOARD MEETING
MARCH 13, 2018 AT 6:00 P.M.
AUBURN VILLAGE SCHOOL MEDIA CENTER**

These minutes have been approved.

Keith Leclair, Chair, called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Those in attendance were Board members, Alan Villeneuve, Janice Baker, and Samantha Belcourt; Principal, Lori Collins; and Superintendent Dr. Charles P. (Phil) Littlefield.

PROOF OF POSTING

Dr. Littlefield provided proof of posting.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Keith Leclair led the attendees in the Pledge of Allegiance.

PINKERTON LIAISONS

Lauren and Julia Sylvain were not in attendance, but submitted a synopsis for the Board to review. It can be found at the end of this recording.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion by Alan Villeneuve, seconded by Samantha Belcourt, to approve the minutes of the February 13, 2018 board meeting, and the motion carried unanimously.

OPPORTUNITY FOR THE PUBLIC TO ADDRESS THE BOARD

Holly McDonald and Heather Lockwood were in attendance to express their disappointment with the omission of a MiTeNa field trip in the 2018/2019 budget. Holly stated that there is parental support, and the desire for this field trip was brought before the board in the fall. Keith Leclair stated that it wasn't in the budget; the board didn't cut it. Alan Villeneuve stated that the budget is built each year, starting with teachers, moving to administrators, then to the Superintendent, and then finally before the board for approval. Alan said this program was not cut to fund something else. He said it has been in the budget for the past 7-8 years, but two years ago, facing a variety of budget implications, the board chose to cut it. Asked by Samantha Belcourt for his input, Dr. Littlefield stated that sometimes programs become self-supporting. If parents can do that, there would be no need for it to be in the budget. He cited the Washington, DC and New York City trips as examples. Lori Collins stated her biggest concerns with MiTeNa are the kids that don't go and staffing when it is a two-night stay. Considerable discussion ensued, including reassessing the 6th grade Adventurelore trip. The two were advised to bring other parents in to address the board and the board will get feedback from administration how days lost at the end of May/early June affect the education of the 6th grade students. The MiTeNa field trip will be discussed again at the board's May meeting.

Heather Lockwood asked about the possibility of parent-funded Kindergarten. Alan Villeneuve stated that this board, and boards before it, have discussed this option, but were not in favor of any type of lottery system for education.

He said it is a good conversation when the building has room.

FINANCIAL

Manifest Review

Motion by Janice Baker, seconded by Samantha Belcourt, to approve the manifest for March 13, 2018 in the amount of \$686,778.41, and the motion carried unanimously.

Budget Adjustments

The budget adjustments were reviewed.

Samantha Belcourt asked for clarification on the transportation budget adjustment. Discussion ensued. Although money is being moved around in the special education budget, and overall budget is on track.

Motion by Samantha Belcourt, seconded by Janice Baker, to accept the budget adjustments as presented, and the motion carried unanimously.

REPORTS

Reports of Administrators

Reports of Administrators were reviewed.

Samantha Belcourt asked that upcoming reports from Lori Collins and Marge Polak address how testing is going, and if teachers need to change instruction or support.

Keith Leclair asked if a procedure was in place in the event of a student walkout, to which Dr. Littlefield stated that no school in SAU #15 is taking a stance or encouraging or discouraging a walkout, but have safety measure in in place should it happen.

Dr. Littlefield stated that at SERESC, they have spent time updating/redoing the bylaws at. At the April 9 meeting they will choose a new board of directors. SERESC will become an independent organization, effective July 1. Janice Baker said the new board of directors will be comprised of 7 – 11 members, with the make up being no more than four with an education background. The others will be a cross-section with other skills.

BUDGET

Nothing to report.

NHSBA

Nothing to report.

Technology

Samantha Belcourt said she is impressed with acting Technology Director, Chris Hamilton. The committee had met recently, where they discussed teacher's aging laptops and Chromebooks. Janice Baker stated this has come up in Policy meetings, that there will be more meetings moving forward regarding technology. She said there is a need for data on frequency of repairs to Chromebooks.

Technology

Keith Leclair asked how the acting Technology Director is doing, to which Dr. Littlefield replied that Chris Hamilton hit the ground running and required very little in-service training. Dr. Littlefield stated that Chris is willing to attend board meetings. Janice Baker said that would be helpful.

School Master Planning

Samantha Belcourt said there is a meeting on Friday, March 16. Discussion will include how to move forward should the addition/renovation project warrant article passes.

PTA

Keith Leclair deferred to Holly McDonald, who said the Color Run has been cancelled due to time constraints. She said they are trying to join with Candia for a bigger group in the future.

PERSONNEL

Nothing to report.

OLD BUSINESS

Goals

Goals were reviewed.

Primex

Tabled until the April meeting.

NEW BUSINESS

Owner's Representative/Clerk of the Works

Discussion regarding hiring an Owner's Representative and/or Clerk of the Works. Alan Villeneuve stated that he does not want to wait until the April meeting to get this position filled. Dr. Littlefield suggested that the board decide on the make up of a selection committee. It was decided that Dr. Littlefield, SAU Business Administrator, Karen Lessard, and Maintenance Director, Scott Dube would be on the committee. Two board members will be added to this committee as well. The board will most likely meet for a short meeting before the regularly scheduled April meeting. Janice Baker said she was under the impression that the board would decide on which (Owner's Representative, or Clerk of the Works) they would fund. Dr. Littlefield explained the difference in the two positions, and stated that did not have to be decided tonight.

POLICY UPDATES

Second Reading/Adoption

Motion by Alan Villeneuve, seconded by Samantha Belcourt, to adopt policies JICFA, BG, BGA, BGB, BGC, BGF, DFA, ILD, and ILD-R, the motion carried unanimously.

First Reading/Review

Motion by Alan Villeneuve, seconded by Janice Baker, to accept the first reading of policies BHC/GBD, BIA, CB, CCB, CFA, CHD/BFE, JICM, JICD, and JICL/IJNDB-IJNDB/JICL, and the motion carried unanimously.

NON-PUBLIC SESSION: RSA 91-A:3 Section II (a-h) (if necessary)

No need.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS AND CORRESPONDENCE

Enrollment Reports*

The board thanked outgoing members Keith Leclair and Maureen Murgo for their dedicated service to the district. Samantha thanked them for their efforts with collaboration.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Alan Villeneuve, seconded by Samantha Belcourt, to adjourn the meeting at 7:25 p.m., and the motion carried unanimously.

The next regularly scheduled Auburn School Board Meeting is Tuesday, April 10, 2018 at 6:00 p.m., in the Auburn Village School Media Center.

Respectfully submitted,

Rebecca SJ McCarthy
Recording Secretary

Report of the Pinkerton High School Liaisons, Lauren and Julia Sylvain

-Pinkerton's 2017 Critic Yearbook has been selected for the 2018 Jostens Look Book. This book features the best layouts, spreads, covers, photography, and more, from all 2017 yearbooks.

Pinkerton's book was selected for its opening theme pages. This is the third time in recent years that the Critic has been selected for the Look Book.

-Wednesday is National Walkout Day. At Pinkerton, we will be having an organized walkout at approximately 10am on Wednesday as a remembrance to the 17 lives that were lost in Parkland, Florida on Valentine's Day. The names of the 17 victims will be read, 1 per minute, during our walkout. We will then return to class.

-Lockdown drills were held over the last week as Pinkerton continues to work on safety issues. I attended a security forum last week which was mainly held for faculty during all lunch periods. At this forum, questions were answered by both acting Headmaster Powers as well as first responders. Although this forum was meant for faculty and staff only, Student Council will be holding the same type of forum for Students in the near future. A list of FAQ's will be compiled and published as a result of these meetings and lockdown drills.

-The senior advisors are hosting an informational event at Pinkerton for senior parents and students regarding a variety of upcoming things including graduation, senior banquet, final exams, senior week, and more, tonight at seven pm.

-Other security changes include the lack of access to the visitor parking near the Astro Café at the Academy Building. This parking area will be closed to the public after 7:45 each morning to restrict visitors from parking there and walking around campus. All visitors are now asked to park by the chapel and stop into the main office to register before going to any meetings on campus.

-On a sweeter note, over 800 gallons (which is over 3.4 tons) of sugar maple sap has been harvested through the sugar maple house at Pinkerton over the last few weeks. Maple syrup production can begin and Michelle Mize at Pinkerton is the contact if you would like more info.

-The Pinkerton girl's basketball team took runner up to Bishop Guertin in the D1 state championship game. Auburn senior students and captains Amanda Lemire and Cydney Lessard performed well. Amanda has been consistently one of the top scorers on the team and will be playing basketball next year at college.

-Next week, the Juniors will be taking the SAT on Wednesday, March 21. This is an off day for all other students. The juniors who take the SAT will be given the opportunity to have May 18th off since they have to be in school for SATs. May 18th is the Friday before prom.

-During the first 2 weeks in April, Pinkerton will conduct the 11th-grade computerized and state-mandated science assessment.