

**AUBURN SCHOOL BOARD MEETING
MAY 10, 2022 AT 6:00 P.M.
AUBURN VILLAGE SCHOOL MEDIA CENTER**

These minutes have been approved.

Alan Villeneuve, Board Chair, called the meeting to order at 6:02 p.m. Those in attendance were members Janice Baker, Adrian Newton, and Derek Berger. Also in attendance was Principal, Lori Collins; Assistant Principal, Assistant Principal's, Kerry Boles and Lindsay Murray; Director of Student Services, Deena Jensen, Technology Director, Keith Lord; Superintendent William (Bill) Rearick and Assistant Superintendent, Marge Polak. Also in attendance was Human Resources Director, Joyce Fishwick.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Board Recorder, Becki McCarthy led the attendees in the Pledge of Allegiance.

PROOF OF POSTING

Bill Rearick provided proof of posting.

PINKERTON LIAISON – Mary Lachance

Mary updated the Board with the following events at Pinkerton:

- Easter Egg Hunt
- Pinkerton Players
- Event
- Spring Sports
- AP Testing
- NHS Induction
- Senior Banquet
- Graduation
- Prom 'Enchanted Garden'

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion by Janice Baker, seconded by Adrian Newton, to approve the April 12, 2022 Board meeting minutes, and the motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Derek Berger, seconded by Adrian Newton, to approve the April 12, 2022 sealed, non-public meeting minutes, and the motion carried unanimously.

OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC INPUT

Resident Jennifer Aldredge wanted to publicly recognize Assistant Principal Boles on how he handled issues with her son. She also suggested that summer programs be made known earlier in the year to allow parents to know their options before the end of the school year. Alan Villeneuve stated they don't always know what will be offered due to staffing.

Resident Mindy Bedard also spoke in support of Mr. Boles saying he was a case manager last year and was a positive male role model at AVS. She said it would be a shame to lose this individual.

Donna Aubin, Administrative Assistant at AVS, read a letter she submitted to Superintendent Rearick stating why she felt she deserved a pay increase as was awarded to paraprofessionals at the last meeting.

SUPERINTENDENT'S UPDATES

Bill Rearick said he attended the Earth Day celebration at AVS.

Alan Villeneuve stated the Board received notice for the sending town's meeting at Pinkerton.

REPORTS

Reports of Administrators

Reports of the administrators were reviewed. Discussion ensued relative to teacher mentoring, kindergarten class size expectations, special education referral procedures and field maintenance.

Keith Lord reviewed his report and said he hoped to adopt a 3-year life expectancy for Chromebooks, as opposed to 3-5 years, and the need for purchasing additional ones.

Reports of Standing Committees

Adrian Newton said PTA meets next week. Alan Villeneuve said that the PTA did an extraordinary job with Teacher Appreciation Week.

Derek Berger stated that the Delegate Assembly will be in October and the date to get suggested resolutions in is July 15.

OLD BUSINESS

Strategic Planning

Mark Dolan was present to update the Board and attendees to where they are with the Strategic Plan. Mr. Dolan stated that they narrowed 18 challenge questions to five initial focus areas:

- Productive, supportive environment
- Building youth for the future
- Amplifying learning everywhere
- Curious, motivated students
- Defining learning outcomes and student success

Mr. Dolan said they expect to have 6-7 more meetings and to have a draft at the end of July and a finalized plan mid-August.

Jennifer Aldredge asked if there would be a survey for parent input, to which Mr. Dolan said it could be considered, and that members of the community will have ample time to participate in the process.

NEW BUSINESS

Salary Review by Position

Bill Rearick stated that he reviewed all AVS positions and said he wouldn't recommend additional increases this year as it would create issues with the budget. He said it could be discussed further at the Board Retreat.

Summer Academy Teacher Pay

Bill Rearick stated that last year, the special education team received \$50 an hour or their per diem rate- whichever was higher- and suggested the same rates be offered to the regular education staff this summer as well. It was the consensus of the Board to approve this.

Annual Review of Policies AD and DFA

Bill Rearick stated that these two policies are to be reviewed annually. The Board reviewed each. No changes were made.

General Assurances

Marge Polak stated that the Superintendent and Board Chair reviewed and signed each page of the General Assurances. She said these are required by the Department of Education (DOE) in order to receive federal funds. This will be sent to the DOE tomorrow.

FINANCIAL

Manifest Approvals

Motion by Janice Baker, seconded by Derek Berger, to approve the manifest in the amount of \$941,511.03, and the motion carried unanimously.

Expenditure Report

The expenditure report was in the packet for review.

POLICIES

Second Reading Policy DGA and JICD

Motion by Derek Berger, seconded by Janice Baker, to approve Policy DGA as presented, and the motion carried unanimously.

Derek Berger summarized additional changes to JICD.

Motion by Derek Berger, seconded by Janice Baker, to approved Policy JICD as presented and amended, and the motion carried unanimously.

PERSONNEL

Superintendent's Nominations

Motion by Derek Berger, seconded by Adrian Newton, to accept the Superintendent's Nominations of Lindsay Conrad and Emily Royce, and the motion carried unanimously.

Co-Curricular Nominations

Motion by Janice Baker, seconded by Derek Berger, to accept the Co-Curricular nominations as presented, and the motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Derek Berger, seconded by Adrian Newton, to amend the agenda to approve resignations as electronically submitted, and the motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Janice Baker, seconded by Derek Berger, to accept the resignations of Deena Jensen and Michaila Sheehan, and the motion carried unanimously.

Selectman Chair Keith Leclair was in the audience. Alan Villeneuve stated that before the pandemic the School Board and Select Board would occasionally attend each other's meeting. Mr. Leclair stated that his team would try to be at the School Board's June 14 meeting.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS AND CORRESPONDENCE, and/or MISCELLANEOUS INFORMATION

Enrollments

NHSBA Call for Resolutions

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Janice Baker, seconded by Derek Berger, to adjourn at 7:35 p.m., and the motion carried unanimously.

The next Auburn School Board Meeting will be Tuesday, June 14, 2022 at 6:00 p.m. at the Auburn Village School Media Center.

The Auburn School Board Retreat will be held at the Safety Center on June 3, 2022 from 8:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

The SAU Board will be meeting on Wednesday, May 18, 2022 at 6:30 p.m. at the Auburn Village School Media Center.

Respectfully submitted.

Rebecca SJ McCarthy
School Board Recording Secretary