

BARNET – DANVILLE – PEACHAM – WALDEN
Caledonia Central Supervisory Union
PO Box 216, Danville, VT 05828

BARNET SCHOOL BOARD MEETING

Monday, October 9th, 2017

Location: Barnet School

Board Present: Bobby Farlice-Rubio (Chair), Sue Roberts, Dave Warden, Lou Bushey
Administration: Mat Forest (CCSU Superintendent), Shawn Gonyaw (Principal)

1. Call to Order by Bobby Farlice-Rubio at 7:05pm

2. Approval of Minutes from

- a. August 14, 2017
 - Sue Roberts makes a motion to approve the meeting minutes from August 14, Dave Warden seconds, motion passes 3-0-1 (Lou Bushey abstains for not being present at this meeting)
- b. September 11, 2017
 - Sue makes a motion to approve the meeting minutes from September 11, 2017, as amended, Lou seconds, motion passes 3-0-1 (Dave abstains for not being present at this meeting)

3. Public Input

4. Administrative Reports

- a. **Business Manager Report, Principal's Report**
 - Bobby notes the Tai-Ko drumming sounds very exciting for the school.
 - The Board congratulates Mr. Bogie for his exceptional award, Mr. Lamar for his previous award, and notes the overall quality of the educators and principal of the school.
 - Sue inquired about passports for the 8th graders. Shawn Gonyaw comments that each student has a monthly goal, whether it be academic or behavior or work habits, and include this as an addition to the program.
 - The Board noted the overall positive news from the Business Manager's report regarding the budget and being on track.
 - Pre-K has been great for the school and great for families. Having Pre-K has helped having less transitions throughout the day for the young students.
- b. **Superintendent Report, Special Education Report, IT, ELO Report**
 - Sue inquired about the new reading program. Shawn speaks to the new program shifting the focus of the reading resources to supplement the lesson structures. It has interactive writing and reading pieces, and is available for grades K - 3. All CCSU schools are piloting this new program in hopes of transitioning to this new program for next year.
 - Mat Forest notes looking forward to moving forward with the Mentor Program and receiving data back from the recent teacher in-service.
 - Mat is also interested in having the administration consider Alice Training and will follow up with the Board with more information after communicating with other regional superintendents.

5. New Business

- a. **Accept and Approve Caledonia Cooperative Unified Union/Peacham School**
- b. **District 3x1 Proposal, known as Draft 6, to be sent to the State Board**
 - This new proposal is essentially creating a new district. The configuration of the new board representation will continue to be discussed once the official board of the new unified union is created.

- The Board discussed previous Act 46 Study Committee meetings and how the focus should always be on the quality of education and providing opportunities for the communities. Sue notes the relationships between Walden and Waterford that Barnet has and how viable the partnerships are.
- The Board noted the viable presence Peacham school offers to the 3x1 district proposal.
- Dave makes a motion to approve the 3x1 Caledonia Cooperative Unified Union/Peacham School district merger, Lou seconds, motion passes 4-0
- Bobby notes the historic vote for the town of Barnet that the Board just undertook, and the Board is looking forward to moving ahead.
- c. Discuss health insurance premiums for non-union employees**
- Mat suggests to wait to receive an agreement from the Union to better assess what coverage to offer to all employees.

6. Old Business

a. ELO Grant

- The application has been submitted for the five year ELO grant.

b. Act 46 Update

- Please refer to item 5 above.

7. Other Business

- The Board may possibly need to appoint a new fifth board member, Bobby will follow up with this matter. Shawn suggested that conference calls can always be held to better accommodate board member schedules.
- The Board noted the convenient timing in possibly field testing interested candidates for the role of Board Member.

8. Future Agenda Items

- Caledonia Cooperative update
- Budget update
- Health insurance premiums update

9. Adjourn at 7:55pm Dave motions, Sue seconds, motion passes

Respectfully submitted,
Sabra Anne Snyder
Minutes Clerk