

Calais School Committee
Tuesday, October 7, 2014
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The Calais School Committee met on Tuesday, October 7, 2014 at the Calais Middle/High School. In attendance were Chairman John Hill, James Macdonald, Robert Greenlaw, Dale Earle, Lea Farrar and Superintendent of Schools Robert F. Moholland.

I. Call to Order/Introductions:

Chairman John Hill called the meeting to order and led the board in the Pledge of Allegiance and a moment of silence.

II. Consent Agenda

Motion by Dale Earle, seconded by Bob Greenlaw, unanimous vote to adjust the agenda under New Business: Add 8th Grade Advisors and Tag Team Advisor and Postpone J.

Motion by James Macdonald, seconded by Bob Greenlaw, unanimous vote to approve the agenda for this meeting as amended.

Motion by Bob Greenlaw, seconded by Lea Farrar, vote of 4 in favor, 1 abstention to approve the Minutes of September 16, 2014.

Motion by Lea Farrar, seconded by Bob Greenlaw, vote of 4 in favor, 1 abstention to approve the Minutes of October 2, 2014.

III. Present communications to the School Committee received from the community

None Noted

IV. Public Participation

None Noted

V. Superintendent's Update

A. Superintendent Moholland recognized Barry Raymond, Special Services Director and the special education faculty and staff for a job well done.

B. Steering Advisory meets the first Thursday of every month at 3:00 p.m. There will not be a meeting in October, the next will be held in November. Motion by James Macdonald, seconded by Dale Earle, unanimous vote to approve Bob Greenlaw as the School Committee member to serve on the Steering Advisory Committee.

C. Motion by Bob Greenlaw, seconded by Dale Earle, unanimous vote to add handrails to the area that was recommended in the audit by Safety Works and Maine Municipal.

VI. Administrative Reports

CES – Sue Carter, Principal: Grades 3-6 are having a penny drive for the Turkey-a-thon. Winning class will have an ice cream social and movie. Some CES students participated in the Anti-Bullying Walk and Sue gave them movie passes. She wanted to reward those that signed up, showed up and represented CES.

Special Education – Barry Raymond: Reported he had been very busy with mandated state reports, IEP meetings, interviews, and common core mandates.

CMHS – Matt Clark, Principal: On September 30 Toby Cole, Tom Robb, and Lacey Phelps took the Juniors to the college fair at UMO. Dom Colizzi, “Somebody’s Hero Anti Bullying” tour kicked off at CMHS on September 30th as well. Student Council will be holding the Veteran’s Assembly on November 10, 2014 at 9:15 a.m. Student Council will host a “Meet the Candidates” night on October 29, 2014. Tom Robb will be proctoring the PSAT to the Juniors on October 15, 2014. Condolences to the Beckett family were offered.

SCRTC – Bob Moholland: Enrollment is good. Faculty and staff have been great in stepping up and doing whatever they need to. October 10, 2014 is the CTE workshop in Lewiston. The Fire Science class may have a 1974 Ford fire truck donated. Roland Bechard is interested in holding an entrepreneurship presentation.

VII. New Business

- A. Before acting on the recommendation to hire Heather James a discussion was held regarding the new attendance policy. Heather James has two family vacations already planned, one in November and one in February. The board agreed to grant these vacations because they are already planned prior to her being hired. Once hired and after these vacations she will follow the Attendance Policy. Motion by Dale Earle, seconded by Bob Greenlaw, Unanimous vote to hire Heather James as an Education Technician II to work in Special Education.
- B. Motion by Dale Earle, seconded by Bob Greenlaw, unanimous vote to accept the retirement of Barry Raymond, Special Services Director with regret.
- C. Motion by Dale Earle, seconded by Bob Greenlaw, unanimous vote to accept the retirement of Patsy Beckett, Elementary teacher with regret.
- D. Motion by Dale Earle, seconded by Bob Greenlaw, unanimous vote to approve the Secondary Tuition Contract between the Crawford School Committee and the Calais School Committee for the 2014-2015 school year.
- E. Motion by Lea Farrar, seconded by Dale Earle, unanimous vote to approve a change to the Adopted Calais School Calendar to accommodate Election Day, changing the Teacher Workshop day from November 3, 2014 to November 4, 2014.

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F. Motion by Dale Earle, seconded by Bob Greenlaw, unanimous vote to approve the following School Committee Policies for a First Reading;

- JEA – Compulsory Attendance
- JEAA – Student Attendance/Student Absences and Tardiness
- JFAA – Admission of Resident Students
- JFAB – Admission of Non-Resident Students
- JFABD – Admission of Homeless Students

G. Motion by Bob Greenlaw, seconded by Dale Earle, unanimous vote to approve the following School Committee Policies for a Second Reading and Adoption.

- KDB – Public’s Right to Know/Freedom of Access
- KBF – Parent Involvement in Title I
- KE – Public Concerns and Complaints
- KF – Community Use of School Facilities
- JICK – Bullying
- JICK-R – Procedures for Policy JICK

H. Motion by Dale Earle, seconded by Bob Greenlaw, unanimous vote to approve an overnight request from the CMHS Tag Team to attend the Maine Action Youth Network Conference October 27 and 28, 2014.

I. Motion by James Macdonald, seconded by Lea Farrar, unanimous vote to approve the following Volunteer Advisors:

- Senior Class Advisor – Sheila LaPointe
- Junior Class Advisors – Dee Dee Travis and Angela Clark
- Sophomore Class Advisor – Jen Lander
- Freshman Class Advisor – Laurel Perkins
- 8th Grade Class Advisors – Sheila LaPointe, Tammy Mitchell, Amanda Hatch
- Tag Team Advisor – Linda Kerr

VII. Old Business

IX. Upcoming Meetings

- October 21, 2014
- November 5, 2014
- November 18, 2014

X. Requested Future Agenda Items

None noted

XI. Executive Session

A. Motion by Bob Greenlaw, seconded by James Macdonald, unanimous vote to enter Executive Session Pursuant to Statutory Citation [Title I, MRSA § 405 (6) (D)] to Discuss Negotiations.

Out of executive session on a motion by Dale Earle, seconded by Bob Greenlaw, unanimous vote.

XII. Adjournment

Motion by Lea Farrar, seconded by Dale Earle, unanimous vote.

Robert F. Moholland, Superintendent of Schools