

**OFFICE OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS
Peterborough, New Hampshire**

CONTOOCOOK VALLEY SCHOOL BOARD MEETING

**Tuesday, March 19, 2002
GREENFIELD ELEMENTARY SCHOOL**

**Board Meeting
7:30 p.m.**

MINUTES

Board

Diane Creeley,
Craig Hicks , Rick Fredericks
Joe MacGregor, Andy Paul
Denise Holmes, Aaron Kullgren
Ken Young, Barbara Busenbark
Richard Morel, John Stanek
Christy Greene

Administration

Keith Burke, Supt.
Paul Bartolomucci, Asst.
Marian Alese, Bus Adm
Dick Dunning, SMS
Sue Copley, PES
Emily Hartnett, GES
Joanne Schnare, Pierce
Sue Dell, CVHS
Dave Rollins, DCS
Adine Aldrich, FES

Andrew Wiley, Student Rep

School Board Meeting Called to Order

Keith Burke called the School Board meeting to order at **7:30**.

Presentation

After staff and student introductions, **GES Principal, Emily Hartnett** gave a presentation on the **ConVal Arts Program Basket Residency (Artist Alice Ogdon)** and **Read Across America**. **GES teacher, Kate Mullins, students Eric, Amelia, Chuckie, and Alicia** explained the process involved in making a woven folding screen, that also incorporated various math skills. Great job! The **Read Across America** program was a celebration of **Dr Seuss's birthday**. Activities included a **book swap and guest readers**, including some **GES alumni**. Emily also noted that so far, **\$20,500** has been raised for the **playground** at the school, thanks to the **sale of the school/town cookbook**.

GES Volunteer of the Year

Carele Mayer was given this award for her hard work and dedication to the students of **Greenfield Elementary School**. **Congratulations and Thank You!**

1. Election of Board Officers

Keith Burke asked for nominations for **School Board Chair**. **Joe MacGregor** nominated **Diane Creeley, second by Rick Fredericks**. No other nominations were put forward – vote taken, unanimous. Congratulations! Meeting turned over to the Chair.

Diane Creeley nominated **Joe MacGregor** as **Vice Chair**. **Second by Andy Paul**. **Vote taken – unanimous**. Congratulations!

Welcome to new Board members: **Richard Morel, Antrim, Andy Paul, Francestown, and Craig Hicks, Peterborough**. **Ken Young (Sharon)** was **renominated**. **Congratulations!** (New members were sworn in prior to the meeting).

2. Meetings with Individuals

a. Harvey Goodwin – Date of Graduation

Mr. & Mrs. Goodwin were present to speak to the Board regarding the date of **graduation at CVHS**. There will be a conflict for them if graduation is **June 15**, since they have another daughter graduating from Northeastern on the same day. Discussion began regarding alternatives to the **June 15 date** and time of **10 am**. **Keith Burke** noted that seniors must attend school for **175 days**, which would be **June 12**, therefore, **June 15 is the earliest possible date for graduation**. After a lengthy discussion regarding benefits and consequences involved with changing the time of the ceremony, **motion to hold graduation at the traditional time (10 am) on June 15, by Christy Greene. Duly seconded. Vote taken and passed (7 – 4)**. It was noted that the date and time of graduation will be revisited for next year.

3. Minutes (Board Vote Required)

a. March 5, 2002

Motion to **approve as presented by Ken Young. Second by Aaron Kullgren**. Discussion regarding dates of service for Anne-Marie Irwin and Denice Glover. **Unanimous.**

4. Superintendent's Report and Presentation of Business

a. Request to Receive A Gift or Donation (Board Vote Required)

1. ConVal High School has received from Jay and Brenda Hennessy of Antrim a copper tile cutter valued at \$44 for use in the ceramics program

Motion to **accept with gratitude by Aaron Kullgren. Second by Joe MacGregor. Unanimous.**

b. Personnel

1. Nominations – Co-Curricular – 2001-02
 - (a.) Elizabeth Varnum – SMS – All-State - \$250
 - (b.) Elizabeth Varnum – SMS – Memorial Day - \$125
 - (c.) Vincent Volante – SMS – Photography Club - \$640
 - (d.) Ray Sweeney – CVHS – All-State - \$250
 - (e.) Ray Sweeney – CVHS – Select Chorus - \$768
 - (f.) Molly Eppig – CVHS – Drama Festival - \$600
 - (g.) Tim Clark – CVHS – Director: Musical - \$1000
 - (h.) Michael Sielicki – CVHS – Asst. Track & Field Coach - \$1792
 - (i.) Susan Roina – AES – Co-Technology Coordinator - \$750
 - (j.) Jean Robinson – AES – Co-Technology Coordinator - \$750Motion to **approve by Joe MacGregor. Second by Ken Young. Unanimous.**

2. Retirement
Mary O. Blake – SMS
Motion to **approve by Joe MacGregor. Second by Ken Young. Unanimous.**

3. Resignation
Robin O'Dougherty – CVHS
Motion to **accept with regret by Joe MacGregor. Second by Ken Young Unanimous.**

4. Policies

GBCB – Staff Conduct – First Reading
Motion **place on the table for 30 days by Joe MacGregor. Second by Aaron Kullgren. Unanimous.**

(b.) GBD – Board-Staff Communications – Vote
Motion to reaffirm by Joe MacGregor and second by Barbara Busenbark. Discussion began regarding the wording of this policy. **Andy Paul** suggested inserting the word “**issues**” in place of “**problems**”. In addition, the word “official” was clarified (meaning in this case, to take a position”). Motion to **approve amended policy as noted above by Andy Paul and second by Denise Holmes. Vote taken – passed with one (1) abstention.**

(c.) JHCC – Communicable Disease Control Policy – First Reading
Motion **place on the table for 30 days by Joe MacGregor. Second by Aaron Kullgren. Unanimous.**

- c. **Authorization to Sign OBM Form 3 and OBM Form 4**
Keith Burke explained that this authorization will allow the **Superintendent, Assistant Superintendent, and Business Administrator** to sign the quarterly reports required for grants, and must be done each year. **Motion to approve by Aaron Kullgren and second by Ken Young. Unanimous.**
- d. **Record of Snow Days/Date of Graduation**
So far this year we have had only **2 snow days**, which will allow us to hold graduation on **June 15**.
- e. **Certificate of Religious Exemption**
Motion to approve by **Ken Young. Second by Barbara Busenbark. Unanimous.**

5. Reports

- a. **Principal – Emily Hartnett**
Earlier.
- b. **Student**
Andrew Wiley reported that **CVHS** will be having a **Blood Drive**.
- c. **Communication**
No report.
- d. **Education**
April 1 – Block Scheduling.
- e. **Budget and Property**
Has not met.
- f. **Personnel**
Met **March 11, actions taken earlier.** Next meeting is **April 8.**
- g. **Staff Development**

Paul Bartolomucci reported that the committee is currently reviewing the plan and will submit the final draft later this year.

h. Steering

Has not met.

i. Technology

Will meet **April 18.**

j. Building Committee

Has not met.

Old Business

Keith Burke gave an update on the **fireworks** issue. **Keith** and **Sue Dell** met with both **town officials and Atlas**. There will be a presentation to the **School Board** on **April 2**, and questions can be answered at that time. Discussion began on the impact this would have on the fields at the high school. This will be discussed with **Clough Harbor** on **March 26.**

New Business

Thanks to Diane Creeley for her time spent at the polls on **March 12!** **Ms. Creeley** was presented with some useable items for the next time.

Approval of Manifests (Board Vote Required)

Marian Alese certified that manifests **130-138, Building Fund December – March, Food Service Sept – Jan and Mar 6** payroll have been reviewed and are proper charges against the Contoocook Valley School District for goods and/or services and have been properly reviewed prior to their submittal to the School Board. Motion to **approve** by **Aaron Kullgren** and second by **Ken Young. Unanimous.**

Non-Public Session: RSA 91-A:3,lic

Not needed.

Adjournment

Motion to **adjourn** by **Ken Young** at **9:37. Second by Rick Fredericks. Unanimous.**

Respectfully Submitted,

Marian Alese