

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

**CONTOOCOOK VALLEY SCHOOL BOARD MEETING**

**Tuesday, April 2, 2002  
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**Steering Committee  
7 p.m.**

**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  
Anita Flanagan, HES  
Joanne Schnare, Pierce  
Sue Dell, CVHS  
Tammy Drozin, SpEd

**School Board Meeting Called to Order**

**Diane Creeley** called the School Board meeting to order at **7:30**.

**1. Minutes (Board Vote Required)**

**a. March 19, 2002**

Motion to **approve** by **Aaron Kullgren**. **Second** by **Barbara Busenbark**.  
Discussion regarding amendments: **Page 1, Ken Young has been re-elected as Sharon representative. Page 2: motion to hold graduation on June 15 at 10 am by John Stanek, and second by Rick Fredericks. Unanimously approved as amended.**

**2. Meeting with Atlas Fireworks and Chamber of Commerce**

This meeting has been postponed, however, discussion began regarding the **request to hold the fireworks display at CVHS**. The fields committee has met twice with the engineering firm of **Clough Harbor**. The master plan for the fields includes additional practice fields and the relocation of the baseball diamond. **Work should begin in 6 weeks**, and would therefore impact the ability to have the fireworks display. **Diane Creeley** noted that the District has full voter support to complete the construction projects currently planned, and large crowds could affect that. It is recommended that the Peterborough Chamber be notified that **due to the prior commitment to the building projects, we are unable to accommodate the request to hold the fireworks display at CVHS**. Discussion followed. **Motion by John Stanek to respectfully decline the request. Second by Barbara Busenbark**. At this time **Ken Young** amended the motion to **postpone the decision until April 16**. There was no second. Discussion continued on the main motion. Vote taken – passed 12 –1.

**3. Superintendent's Report and Presentation of Business**

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

1. Antrim Elementary School has received a donation of \$45.87 from Target Department Stores to be used for various activities
2. Frankestown Elementary School has received a donation of \$25.62 from Target Department Stores to be used for All School Day crafts and supplies
3. South Meadow School has also received a donation of \$26.58 from Target Stores

Motion to **accept with gratitude** by Rick Fredericks. **Second** by Aaron Kullgren. **Unanimous.**

**b. Release Day Request**

**Keith Burke** explained that in the past we have had an **early release day** for students in order to acknowledge staff members. In order to do this, we must apply to the **Commissioner of Education. Motion to approve request to Commissioner by Joe MacGregor. Second by Christy Greene. Unanimous.**

**c. Nomination List**

**Joe MacGregor** reported that the list has been **reviewed and approved by the Personnel Committee. Motion to approve list of nominations (see attached) by Aaron Kullgren. Second by Dan Harper. Motion passed with 2 abstentions (Andy Paul & Aaron Kullgren).**

**4. Reports**

**a. Student**

No report.

**b. Communication**

No report.

**c. Education**

**Joe MacGregor** reported that the committee met last night. **Sue Dell (CVHS)** did a presentation on **Block Scheduling**. The presentation included a history of Block Scheduling at CVHS, which **began in 1996 – 1997**. Ms. Dell noted that out of the **10 goals originally established with regard to the program, 9 have been reached**. Information analyzed included **SAT scores, attendance records, and drop out and withdrawal rates**. In addition, both staff (it was noted that teachers are the most important part of making Block Scheduling a success) and students were surveyed, with positive results. **Flexibility** is necessary, and though there were **shortfalls** (offerings vs. requirements per semester), it has been **successful**.

In addition, the committee reviewed its goals and objectives. A third topic included discussion on extending the Early Intervention Pilot Program at PES to the other elementary schools.

Next meeting is **April 15**.

**d. Budget and Property**

Has not met.

- e. **Personnel**  
Will meet on April 8.
- f. **Staff Development**  
Will meet next week.
- g. **Steering**  
Met **earlier this evening**. Items discussed included the **new entrance to PES**, the **agenda for the Board retreat on May 1**, and the **fields at CVHS**.
- h. **Technology**  
Will meet **April 18**. The agenda includes a review of student work at **PES & CVHS**.
- i. **Building Committee**  
Has not met, however the **building subcommittees have met**. Discussion included an update on the meetings with **Clough Harbor** (fields). It was also noted that **construction at CVHS would be starting any day now!**

**5. Old Business**

None.

**6. New Business**

Suggestion to review the **Arts programs at CVHS**.

**7. Approval of Manifests (Board Vote Required)**

**Marian Alese** certified that manifests **139-144, Food Service Feb, and Mar 20** 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 **Rick Fredericks** and second by **Ken Young**. **Unanimous**.

**Non-Public Session: RSA 91-A:3,IIc**

Not needed.

**Adjournment**

Motion to **adjourn** by **Ken Young** at **8:35**. Second by **Christy Greene**. **Unanimous**.

**Respectfully Submitted,**

**Marian Alese**