

## Pittsburg School Board Meeting Minutes

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| <b>Date</b>        | November 19, 2018                |
| <b>Time</b>        | 6:00 p.m.                        |
| <b>Location</b>    | Pittsburg School Conference Room |
| <b>Chairperson</b> | Toby Owen                        |

### Attendance

Attendance Legend: **P** – Present **E** – Excused Absence **A** – Absent

| School Board Members |              |   |                 | Principals |               | SAU Members |               |
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| P                    | Lindsey Gray | P | Reginald Parker | P          | Elaine Sherry | P           | Bruce Beasley |
| P                    | Bob Ormsbee  | P | Billie Paquette |            |               | P           | Cheryl Covill |
| P                    | Toby Owen    |   |                 |            |               |             |               |

**Public in Attendance:** Heather Mitchell

### Minutes

| Item | Subject  | Action             |
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| 1.   | The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by R. Parker and opened with the Pledge of Allegiance   |                    |
| 2.   | <p><b>Hearing of the Public:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Lisa Kenney: Title I opening at Pittsburg School and voiced concerns with the length of time position has been vacant. She thanked staff members who have helped filling in.</li> <li>• Bruce and Elaine agreed that we should continue to advertise in local papers.</li> </ul>   |                    |
| 3.   | <p><b>Agenda Adjustments:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Heather Mitchell to Unfinished Business</li> <li>• Add Non-public on personnel matter</li> <li>• Removed Bear Rock Adventures</li> <li>• Removed budget under New Business</li> </ul>   |                    |
| 4.   | <p><b>Reading of the Minutes:</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>L. Gray / B. Paquette</u> Motion to accept the minutes of October 22, 2018 as presented</p>  | Vote:<br>Unanimous |
| 5.   | <b>Policy Review:</b> None   |                    |
| 6.   | <p><b>Special Reports:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• None</li> </ul>  |                    |
| 7.   | <p><b>School Administrator's Report:</b> Elaine Sherry</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Written report distributed at meeting</li> <li>• Addams Family musical was performed by students               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ She attended Friday night show and kids did a great job</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Mrs. Jeralds has started sign-ups for the Cook Off event</li> <li>• Picture retakes are scheduled for 11/28<sup>th</sup></li> <li>• Shared swim and skate dates at Colebrook Rec Center</li> <li>• Pittsburg identified as a CSI (comprehensive school improvement ) by the State of NH</li> <li>• Key club is conducting a pennies for patients fundraiser</li> <li>• Jr. High basketball starts 12/4 and varsity on 12/8</li> </ul> |                    |

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| 8.  | <p><b>Superintendent's Report:</b> Bruce Beasley</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter underway</li> <li>• Musical and spoke to kids and they are very proud of performance</li> <li>• Spoke to Kim Sweatt and asked how Stew kids were doing with woodworking <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ She really enjoys having them there</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Sylvia LaCasse is settling in and is doing a good job</li> </ul>  |                         |
| 9.  | <p><b>Business Administrator's Report:</b> Cheryl Covill</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ None</li> </ul>  |                         |
| 10. | <p><b>Connecticut River Collaborative Exploratory Committee Report:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ B. Ormsbee updated the group with regards to the recent meeting.</li> <li>○ The board gave him feedback on the option that appears to have the most interest</li> </ul>   |                         |
| 11. | <p><b>Unfinished Business:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ H. Mitchell came and shared that she has spoken with Sara Bennett and Michelle Cox and she has been informed that there are no start-up funds for adult education until 2020.</li> <li>○ H. M is looking for confirmation from Sara Bennett that there are no funds but has not heard back. Once she has confirmation she will ask for time on the agenda.</li> </ul>  |                         |
| 12. | <p><b>New Business:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Staffing <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ B. Beasley and E. Sherry are working on filling the e Title I Para Educator position <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Have a couple potential candidates</li> </ul> </li> </ul> </li> <li>• CSI meeting update (Comprehensive School Improvement) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ B. Beasley and E. Sherry attended a CSI meeting in Concord; Pittsburg was identified as a CSI school. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Being a CSI school means that the State will provide supports and money for school improvement.</li> </ul> </li> </ul> </li> <li>• Music Program: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ S. Pearson talked to the Board about increasing the amount of music instruction that Pittsburg students will receive in the 19-20 school year.</li> <li>○ She informed the board that there were 19 students in the play and 15 students in chorus and she is interested in devoting more time to the instrumental portion of the music program.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• The Board began preliminary discussion on a date of their second December meeting as it currently is scheduled for Christmas Eve.</li> </ul> |                         |
| 13. | <p><b>Non-Public Session:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <u>L. Gray / B. Ormsbee:</u> Motion to enter into non-public session at 8:12 p.m. in accordance with RSA 91-A:3, II(a) – personnel matter</li> </ul> <p>Roll Call Vote: L. Gray – yes; B. Ormsbee – yes; T. Owen – yes; R. Parker –yes</p> <p>Returned to public session at 8:23 p.m.</p>   | Vote noted under motion |
| 14. | <p><b>Other Business:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• B. Ormsbee mentioned that that he has been approached by Roger Covill regarding the cost of culvert work.</li> </ul>  |                         |

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|   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ B. Paquette shared that she will look into previous board minutes for details on what the board agreed to.</li> </ul>  |                            |
| 15.   | <p><b>Meetings:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Connecticut River Collaborative Exploratory Committee: December 6, 2018 at 6:00 p.m.</li> <li>• Pittsburg School Board Meeting: December 10, 2018</li> </ul> |                            |
| 16.   | <p><u>L. Gray / B. Paquette:</u> Motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:24 p.m.</p>   | <p>Vote:<br/>Unanimous</p> |
| <p>Respectfully Submitted:</p> <p>Bruce Beasley,<br/>Superintendent</p> |   |                            |