

## Pittsburg School Board Meeting Minutes

<b>Date</b>	October 8, 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	
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
1.	The meeting was called to order at 6:03 p.m. by Chairperson, T. Owen and opened with the Pledge of Allegiance	
2.	<p><b>Hearing of the Public:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Heather Mitchell – Adult education program               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Heather discussed her qualifications to create and teach adult education classes</li> <li>○ Presented statistical information regarding adults who have not completed high school.                   <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ State average is 7.4%</li> <li>▪ North Country is above the state average from 8.5% in Pittsburg to 26% in Stratford.</li> </ul> </li> <li>○ Per the NH Bureau of Adult Education, the first step is to find out if the district is interested in sponsoring this type of program and the second step is to determine adult student interest</li> <li>○ Available programs under NH Adult Education include:                   <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Adult High School Programs (ADP)</li> <li>▪ Adult Basic Education Programs (ABE)</li> <li>▪ Adult Learner Services Program (ALS)</li> </ul> </li> <li>○ Secondary importance to a North Country Adult Education Program:                   <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Transitional courses to area colleges to earn college credits for courses taken</li> <li>▪ ESL Services</li> <li>▪ College pre-requisite courses</li> </ul> </li> <li>○ There would be no cost to the school district unless the district elected to pay the students' tuition costs.                   <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Discuss further at next meeting</li> <li>▪ B. Beasley and E. Sherry to look into program requirements</li> </ul> </li> </ul> </li> </ul>	
3.	<p><b>Agenda Adjustments:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• New Business: Hiring of Personnel</li> </ul>	
4.	<p><b>Reading of the Minutes:</b> <u>R. Parker / B. Paquette:</u> Motion to accept the minutes of September 24, 2018 with the following corrections:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Agenda item #5: Replace "if" with "it"</li> </ul>	Vote: Unanimous

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5.	<p><b>Policy Review:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Policies for a First Reading</li> </ul> <table border="1"> <tr><td>JBAA</td><td>Sexual Harassment – Students</td></tr> <tr><td>JBAA-R</td><td>Sexual Harassment and Sexual Violence Report Form</td></tr> <tr><td>JCA</td><td>Change of School or Assignment</td></tr> <tr><td>JEA</td><td>Compulsory Attendance Age</td></tr> <tr><td>JEB</td><td>Age of Entrance</td></tr> <tr><td>JEC</td><td>Manifest Educational Hardship</td></tr> <tr><td>JF</td><td>Enrollment</td></tr> <tr><td>JFA</td><td>Residency</td></tr> <tr><td>JFA-R</td><td>Technical Assistance Advisory</td></tr> <tr><td>JFAA</td><td>Admission of Resident Students</td></tr> <tr><td>JFAB</td><td>Admission of Tuition and Non-Resident Students</td></tr> <tr><td>JFAB-R1</td><td>Agreement and Parenting Plan Order Designating School District</td></tr> <tr><td>JFABB</td><td>Foreign Exchange Students</td></tr> <tr><td>JFABB-R</td><td>Admission of Foreign Exchange Students</td></tr> <tr><td>JFABD</td><td>Admission of Homeless Students</td></tr> <tr><td>JFABD-R1</td><td>Homeless Education Dispute Process</td></tr> <tr><td>JFABD-R2</td><td>Written Notice of Enrollment Decision</td></tr> <tr><td>JFABD-R3</td><td>Written Notice of Disputed Enrollment Decision</td></tr> <tr><td>JG</td><td>Assignment of Students to Classes and Grade Levels</td></tr> <tr><td>JH</td><td>Attendance, Absenteeism and Truancy</td></tr> <tr><td>JI</td><td>Student Rights and Responsibilities</td></tr> <tr><td>JIA</td><td>Student Due Process Rights</td></tr> <tr><td>JIB</td><td>Student Involvement in Decision-Making</td></tr> <tr><td>JIC</td><td>Student Conduct</td></tr> <tr><td>JICA</td><td>Student Dress Code</td></tr> <tr><td>JICC</td><td>Student Conduct on School Buses</td></tr> <tr><td>JICC-R</td><td>Student Rules and Conduct on the School Bus</td></tr> </table> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Policy for local review: JBAB – Transgender Students Guidelines <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ First reading</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	JBAA	Sexual Harassment – Students	JBAA-R	Sexual Harassment and Sexual Violence Report Form	JCA	Change of School or Assignment	JEA	Compulsory Attendance Age	JEB	Age of Entrance	JEC	Manifest Educational Hardship	JF	Enrollment	JFA	Residency	JFA-R	Technical Assistance Advisory	JFAA	Admission of Resident Students	JFAB	Admission of Tuition and Non-Resident Students	JFAB-R1	Agreement and Parenting Plan Order Designating School District	JFABB	Foreign Exchange Students	JFABB-R	Admission of Foreign Exchange Students	JFABD	Admission of Homeless Students	JFABD-R1	Homeless Education Dispute Process	JFABD-R2	Written Notice of Enrollment Decision	JFABD-R3	Written Notice of Disputed Enrollment Decision	JG	Assignment of Students to Classes and Grade Levels	JH	Attendance, Absenteeism and Truancy	JI	Student Rights and Responsibilities	JIA	Student Due Process Rights	JIB	Student Involvement in Decision-Making	JIC	Student Conduct	JICA	Student Dress Code	JICC	Student Conduct on School Buses	JICC-R	Student Rules and Conduct on the School Bus	
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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>• Open house and Book Fair were a great success</li> <li>• NHS and NJHS induction was held on October 2<sup>nd</sup></li> <li>• Early Release Day – Staff worked on curriculum and spent time becoming familiar with the Promethean Board</li> <li>• Administrative Day was October 5<sup>th</sup>. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Included Wellness activities and a presentation on 504 and IDEA law</li> </ul> </li> </ul>																																																							

<p>8.</p>	<p><b>Superintendent's Report:</b> Bruce Beasley</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Written report attached</li> <li>• A Collaborative Committee meeting is scheduled for October 4 at the Stewartstown Community School at 6:00 pm. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ The agenda for this meeting includes reports from the two sub-committees.</li> <li>○ The Buildings and Transportation sub-committee has completed their tours of all schools in SAU 7 and Canaan and are planning to meet on 10/2 to discuss their data.</li> <li>○ The Curriculum and Offerings sub-committee has met with staff and Student Council members from all three high schools <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Staff and students discussed the current cooperative work and explored possible additional offerings</li> <li>▪ Required courses for college and career readiness were identified.</li> </ul> </li> </ul> </li> <li>• The soccer teams are on the play-off bubble at this point and probably need another win or two down the stretch to make it into post season play. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Regardless of the outcome, it is my observation that they have made some huge strides and are turning the corner in their competitiveness.</li> <li>○ I do want to commend the coaches and athletes as they are the recipients of the NHIAA Sportsmanship Award for the second time in the past three years.</li> <li>○ I also want to recognize Phil Shaw who was selected as the Athletic Director of the Year for NHIAA division IV.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Thanks to those that supported the recent open house. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ I was unable to make it due to a scheduling conflict but heard it was well attended and worthwhile for both parents and students.</li> <li>○ I saw the article in the local paper of Dillon Brooks unveiling his artwork. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ He is very proud of this effort and thankful to the School Board for the opportunity.</li> <li>▪ A shout out to Deb Sargent for her support of him through this process as well.</li> </ul> </li> </ul> </li> <li>• National Honor Society induction ceremony is October 2nd. Unfortunately, I will be unable to attend this event due previously scheduled meetings. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ This is a fun night that recognizes students that go above and beyond.</li> <li>○ I will make sure to congratulate the inductees.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Upcoming Meetings and Events: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ October 3                      Brad Kidder Law Conference</li> <li>○ October 4                      Early Release</li> <li>○ October 4                      Collaborative Committee</li> <li>○ October 5                      Workshop Day</li> <li>○ October 8                      Pittsburg School Board</li> <li>○ October 22                     Pittsburg School Board</li> <li>○ October 25                     Policy Meeting</li> <li>○ November 15                  SAU 7 Board Meeting</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	
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9.	<p><b>Business Administrator's Report:</b> Cheryl Covill</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Discussed the bid proposal for the telecommunications system <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ <u>B. Paquette / L. Gray:</u> To move forward with the telecommunications system, pending approval of the additional state funding award.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Discussed re-bidding the surveillance camera and keyless entry bids</li> </ul> <p><u>B. Paquette / R. Parker:</u> To move forward with the Technology Committee recommendation based on the re-bid results for the keyless entry and surveillance system with funding</p>	<p>Vote: Unanimous</p> <p>Vote: Unanimous</p>
10.	<p><b>Connecticut River Collaborative Exploratory Committee Report:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• B. Ormsbee spoke to the presentation by the sub-committee on Transportation and Facilities</li> <li>• Discussed future direction of the committee and next steps</li> <li>• Discussed student curriculum offerings and receiving input from graduating students</li> </ul>	
11.	<p><b>Unfinished Business:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Discussed the November 12<sup>th</sup> meeting which falls on Veterans' Day <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Meeting rescheduled to November 19<sup>th</sup></li> </ul> </li> </ul>	
12.	<p><b>New Business:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Staffing Update <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Sylvia LaCasse started October 8<sup>th</sup></li> <li>○ Title I Para-educator position is still open <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ B. Beasley requesting permission to hire this position</li> </ul> </li> </ul> </li> </ul> <p><u>B. Paquette / L. Gray:</u> Motion to authorize B. Beasley to hire a Title I Para-Educator based on input from E. Sherry and Lisa Kenny.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Coaching Nominations <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ B. Beasley nominated the following coaches: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Varsity Baseball: Neil Prehmo</li> </ul> </li> </ul> </li> </ul> <p><u>L. Gray / B. Paquette:</u> Motion to approve Neil Prehmo as Varsity Baseball Coach</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Varsity Softball: Gene Cote</li> <li>• Assistant Softball: Amanda Merrill</li> <li>• JH Boys Basketball: Eric Hurlbert</li> <li>• JH Girls Basketball: Gene Cote</li> <li>• Girls Basketball 5/6: Josie Berry</li> <li>• Girls Basketball 3/4: Holly Maroney &amp; Chris Paquette</li> </ul> <p><u>T. Owen / R. Parker:</u> Motion to approve the recommendations for coaching positions</p>	<p>Vote: 4 –yes; 1 abstention</p> <p>Vote: 3 – yes; 2 abstentions</p> <p>Vote: Unanimous</p>
13. 14.	<p><b>Other Business:</b> None</p> <p><u>B. Paquette / T. Owen:</u> Motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:37 p.m.</p>	<p>Vote: Unanimous</p>
15.	<p><b>Meetings:</b></p>	

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|  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Pittsburg School Board Meeting: October 22, 2018</li><li>• Connecticut River Collaborative Exploratory Committee:<br/>November 1, 2018 at 6:00 p.m.</li><li>• SAU #7 Fall Meeting: November 15, 2018 at 6:00 p.m. in Clarksville</li></ul> |  |
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<p>Respectfully Submitted: Cheryl Covill, Business Administrator</p>
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