

MEMBERS PRESENT: Chair Mary Tomasi, Vice Chair Chris McGlynn at 6:04 pm, Amy Domeika, Suesen Hickey, Jessica Morozowich, Joanne Rose, Mitch Koziol.

ADMINISTRATION PRESENT: Superintendent Jeffrey Burt, Bacon Academy Principal Matt Peel, Colchester Elementary School Principal Judy O'Meara, Jack Jackter Intermediate School Principal Elise Butson, William J. Johnston Middle School Principal Chris Bennett, Director of Pupil Services and Special Education Kathleen Perry, Director of Teaching and Learning Charles Hewes, Director of Education Operations Mario Hurtado, Director of Human Resources Shannon Ramsby, Chief Financial Officer M. Cosgrove.

1. MEETING OPENING

1.1 Call to Order

Chair Mary Tomasi called this Special Meeting to order at 6:00 pm with a roll call to establish a quorum.

2. RECOGNITIONS/ACNOWLEDGEMENTS

Chair Tomasi congratulated the staff for a phenomenal graduation.

C. McGlynn arrived at this point in the agenda.

3. PUBLIC COMMENT

Andrew Norton, Chair of Bacon Academy Trustees, also said it was a great graduation and the trustees are very appreciative of the efforts to keep the trustees informed of the Board's use of Old Bacon Academy.

M. Mlodzinski congratulated the Board on passing of the budget.

4. REPORT FROM SUPERINTENDENT

4.1 Federal Grants Update

Superintendent Burt provided an update on the American Rescue Plan and Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief Fund (ARP- ESSER). The draft is being worked on and is due on August 15, 2021.

4.2 Alternative Education Program Update

There is only one student for the Alt Ed program for next year. The student will be moved to Bacon Academy and still get the full requirements for the program. A tutoring program will take place at Old Bacon and possibly other programs. Superintendent Burt volunteered his help with grants for renovations of the building.

4.3 Communications – none at time

5. POLICIES/REGULATIONS FOR FIRST READING

5.1 1110-1P School, Family, and Community Partnerships

5.2 Bylaw 9325 Meeting Conduct

5.3 Bylaw 9326 Minutes Taping, and Broadcasting

5.4 Bylaw 9321 Time, Place, Notification for Meetings

As this is the first reading, no action was taken.

6. PRIORITY DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS

6.1 Update on 2021-2022 Budget

Superintendent Burt reviewed the items in the \$364,175 reduction to the budget. The 2021-2022 BOE budget was approved at the recent referendum. Superintendent Burt noted that the budget will be \$675,000 in the ‘hole’ going into next year.

Motion by: C. McGlynn

to approve the 2021-2022 budget reductions in the amount of \$364,175 as presented.

Second by: J. Rose.

Vote: Unanimous to approve.

6.2 Bargaining Agreement Approval Local #3279

Motion by: J. Morozowich

to approve the bargaining agreement between the Colchester BOE and Colchester Federation of Educational Personnel, Local #3279 for the period of July 1, 2021 through June 30 2024.

Second by: S. Hickey.

Vote: Unanimous to approve.

6.3 Discussion of Resuming In-Person Meetings

An in-person meeting is planned for the July BOE meeting. Discussion also included the possibility of hybrid meetings with in-person board members but also on zoom.

6.4 School Resource Officer (SRO) Process

Board members reviewed the agreement between the Connecticut State Police/Colchester Resident State Troopers’ Office and the Colchester Board of Education and the SRO Responsibilities and Expectations documents.

6.5 Additional Appropriation Request for 2012-22 FY

Discussion followed regarding an appropriation request for an additional kindergarten teacher but the Board will wait for the ECS funds and new enrollment numbers.

7. GRANTS/OTHER FINANCIALS

7.1. Perkins Secondary Supplemental Enhancement Grant

The State Department of Education has approved Colchester to receive the Carl D. Perkins Career and Technical Education Secondary Supplemental Enhancement Grant in the amount of \$49,678.

Motion by: M. Koziol

to accept the Perkins Grant.

Second by: A. Domeika.

Vote: Unanimous to approve.

7.2 Budget Transfer Over \$5,000 CES Wonders Reading Program

This request is to complete the purchase of the CES Wonders Reading Program in the amount of \$62,150.

Motion by: S. Hickey

to approve the transfer over \$5,000 for the CES Wonders Reading Program.

Second by: J. Rose.

Vote: Unanimous to approve.

7.3 Budget Transfer Over \$5,000 Bacon Academy Library Media Center (LMC) Furniture

Motion by: M. Koziol

to approve the budget transfer in the amount of \$62,282 for Bacon Academy LMC furniture.

Second by: C. McGlynn.

Vote: Unanimous to approve.

7.4. Budget Transfer Over \$5,000 MUNIS Upgrade

Motion by: J. Morozowich

to approve the budget transfer in the amount of \$15,392 for a Munis Upgrade.

Second by: M. Koziol.

Vote: Unanimous to approve.

7.5 Request to Dispose of District equipment

Motion by: C. McGlynn

to approve the request to dispose of two snow throwers to use as trade-ins.

Second by: J. Rose.

Vote: Unanimous to approve.

8. CURRICULUM/INSTRUCTION/ASSESSMENT – None at this time

9. POLICIES/REGULATIONS FOR A SECOND READING

9.1 Nondiscrimination (Community/Board Operations)

9.2 2111P Equal Employment Opportunity

9.3 3240P Tuition Fees

9.4 4118.11P Nondiscrimination (Personnel)

9.5 5124.1P Student Privacy Policy (PPRA)

9.6 5145.4P Nondiscrimination (Students)

Motion by: A. Domeika

to approve the 9.1 with revisions, 9.2 with revisions, 9.3 as amended, 9.4 with revisions, 9.5 with revisions and 9.6 as presented.

Second by: S. Hickey.

Vote: Unanimous to approve.

10. NON-SUBSTANTIVE POLICIES

10.1 9323 Bylaw: Agenda Construction and Meeting Materials

No action taken.

11. CONSENT AGENDA

11.1 CES Math Lab Request for Disposal

The request is to remove outdated books from the math lab.

Motion by: C. McGlynn

to approve the Consent Agenda item to remove books for disposal.

Second by: A. Domeika.

Vote: Unanimous to approve.

12. REPORTS FROM BOARD COMMITTEES – No reports

- 12.1 Policy
- 12.2 Budget
- 12.3 Personnel
- 12.4 Ad-Hoc Curriculum
- 12.5 Ad-Hoc Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion

13. REPORTS FROM BOARD LIAISONS

J. Rose said the Ad-Hoc Diversity and Inclusion Committee meeting is June 29 at 6:00 pm. The recommendations and findings will be presented at Board of Selectmen's meeting on July 15, 2021.

14. BOARD ANNOUNCEMENTS and INFORMATION ITEMS

- 14.1 Budget Calendar (updated May 19, 2021)
- 14.2 Next Meetings

MEETING	DATE	TIME	LOCATION
Board of Education	July 13, 2021	6:00 PM	Virtual
Budget Committee	TBD (July)	9:00 AM	Virtual
Policy Committee	TBD (July)	5:30 PM	Virtual
Personnel Committee	September 13, 2021	5:30 PM	Virtual
DEI Committee	TBD		

- 14.3 Monthly Student Enrollment – not at this time
- 14.4 Approved Committee Meeting Minutes

15. EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion by: M. Koziol

to go into Executive Session to discuss the Superintendent's Evaluation and invite Superintendent Burt and Director of Human Resources Shannon Ramsby to the session.

Second by: A. Domeika.

Vote: Unanimous to approve. Time: 7:48 pm.

Chair Tomasi brought the Board out of Executive Session at 9:55 pm.
See below for action.

16. POSSIBLE ACTION ON EXECUTIVE SESSION

No action taken.

17. PUBLIC COMMENT

No comments received.

18. ADJOURNMENT

Chair Tomasi adjourned this Special Meeting at 9:55 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Jane Slade
Recording Secretary