

Waits River Valley School Board Meeting September 12, 2019

Approved

Members Present: Alexis Maxwell, Stacy Emerson, Joe Nolan and Jason Rogers

OESU: Bruce Williams, Assistant Superintendent

Treasurer: Dick Kelley

Minutes Clerk: Nancy Ertle

Meeting called to order: 6:02 p.m.

Welcome and Board Business:

Alexis introduced herself, this was her first meeting. Jason Rogers and Bruce Williams also introduced themselves.

Agenda Review: No agenda changes

Approval of minutes:

The minutes review and approval for the August 22, 2019 meeting will have to wait to be approved until the October meeting.

Correspondence:

Stacy mentioned a letter received about dogs being brought into the school building at the end of last school year. Concerns of sensitivity leads to evaluation of animals being brought into the school.

Contracts: None

Board Orders: Return to them.

Public Comment: None

Treasurer's Report:

Dick said last month we a balance of \$200,000.00 and now we have received a check from the State for \$700,000.00 giving us a current balance of about \$700,000.00. It should carry over until we get our town checks. A loan was not needed.

Board Orders:

Joe moved to pay the first warrant in the amount of \$226.45 with the highest amount going to Vermont Elevator Inspection Company in the amount of \$200.00. Jason seconded, the ayes have it.

Joe moved to pay the second warrant in the amount of \$141,479.54 with the largest amount going to OESU in two different invoices totaling \$126,377.00. Jason seconded, the ayes have it.

The Board Orders were signed.

Principal's Report:

Carlotta wasn't present but Bruce said he could speak in this subject. He said the Leadership team met at WRVS and it was a good meeting.

The training on the new Student Information System is a struggle but has to be done to interact effectively with the state data systems. Amy here at school is doing well with it.

Carlotta is extremely pleased with her staff this year.

Pre-School Update:

Bruce said they had a meeting with Black River Design Service. They will come meet for basic concept work so people can dig into what they want for the building. The building is being planned to be for approximately 16 to 20 children.

Next Agenda:

Same as on current agenda also to include approval of minutes to the August 22nd meeting also negotiations and master policy's OESU

Wrap Up:

Joe spoke about negotiations with the local teacher's union which are negotiated here at WRVS. Also, negotiations with OESU are starting and the staff and special educators are negotiated through there.

There was discussion about Policy work and timing. OESU is working on theirs and the strategic plan.

WRVS can work on their plan. Joe asked Bruce to find a similar school to ours with the same demographics with extremely good academic's so we can see what they are doing different.

Bruce said Emilie wanted the Board to know that the Interim Curriculum Coordinator will be at the next board meeting.

Stacy said the two new board members needed to sign the Board Ethics form and w-4 and I-9's, there is a stipend of \$1000.00 a year.

Public Comment:

Alexis asked why we don't have step up day for preschoolers to come visit the kindergarten class. Joe said to discuss it with Carlotta and see what can be done.

The next Board meeting is October 10th, then November 14th, December 12th, January 9th and February 13th.

Joe moved to adjourn, Jason seconded, the ayes have it. Meeting adjourned at 6:48 p.m.

Respectively Submitted,
Nancy Ertle