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**CHAPLIN BOARD OF EDUCATION
CHAPLIN, CONNECTICUT
MEETING MINUTES**

April 14, 2021

6:30 PM

REMOTE MEETING

<https://zoom.us/j/96655891702?pwd=bGg4WVdIV3kzblhFTEhxdmR2aXITZz09>

- 1. Call to Order – Chairperson Jaclyn Chancey called the meeting to order at 6:33 pm. Board Members present were Eugene Boomer, Victor Boomer, William Hooper and Jean Lambert. Also in attendance were Superintendent Ken Henrici and Principal Kevin Chavez.**
- 2. Audience for Citizens - Members of the public may address the Board regarding items on the agenda. If you wish to speak, please raise your hand and wait to be recognized by the Board Chair. Comments may also be sent in advance to ChaplinBOE@chaplinct.org; please clearly indicate if you wish for them to be read aloud. Individual speaker—2 minutes; Public participation—15 minutes – Richard Weingart spoke about the Board of Finance’s written request to further reduce the 2021-2022 Board of Education Budget by \$25,000.00 and to delay the Public Hearing on the budget by two weeks to May 10th. He also spoke of a possible reduction of Capital funding and other significant projects.**
- 3. Approval of Minutes and Financial Statement**
 - A. Approval of Minutes – March 10, 2021 – Victor Boomer moved to approve the March 10, 2021 minutes. Eugene Boomer seconded and the motion passed with the following vote:
Yes: Eugene Boomer, Victor Boomer, Jaclyn Chancey, William Hooper and Jean Lambert.**
 - B. Approval of Financial Statements – March 2021 – William Hooper moved to approve the General Fund, Cafeteria, Grant and Pre-K financial statements for March 2021. Victor Boomer seconded and the motion passed with the following vote:
Yes: Eugene Boomer, Victor Boomer, Jaclyn Chancey, William Hooper and Jean Lambert.**
- 4. Administrative Reports**
 - A. Monthly Report - None**
 - B. Principal’s Report – Principal Kevin Chavez updated the Board on enrollment, teacher sick days, remote model switch due to increased COVID cases, Spring testing, ESSER 2 Grant, upgrades to the playground and gardening areas and the upcoming early release day due to the 2nd dose vaccination clinic.**
 - C. Superintendent’s Report – Superintendent Ken Henrici spoke of his concerns for the additional budget reduction request and will do what he can to work together with the Town, keeping the taxpayers and students in mind. He also spoke about the assessment, the Cafeteria Budget, potential ESSER 3 funds to assist with HVAC improvements to both wings, long-term subs, the 2nd dose vaccination clinic scheduled for April 23, a possible future Pfizer vaccination clinic for students and a scheduled meeting with the Elementary Superintendents on April 29.**
- 5. Old Business/New Business**
 - A. COVID-19 Related Updates and Discussion – April 23 will be the 2nd dose vaccination clinic for all staff. DPH guidelines will be reviewed for end of year events.**
 - B. Discussion and Possible Action on 2021-2022 School Calendar – this line item should have been for the 2020-2021 School Calendar. No action needed. The last day of school will be discussed at next month’s meeting.**

- C. **Updated Budget Forecast--FY 20-21 Budget** – The General Fund is right on target.
- D. **2021-2026 Capital Improvement Projects** – no changes at this time, but will most likely change with the Board of Finance’s recommended reductions to the 2021-2022 budget.
- E. **Tentative Approval of Board Policies:**
 - a. **3542.41 – Professional Standards for Food Service Personnel**
 - b. **4000.1/5145.44 – Title IX**

Eugene Boomer moved for tentative approval of Board Policies 3542.41 and 4000.1/5145.44. Victor Boomer seconded and the motion passed with the following vote:

Yes: Eugene Boomer, Victor Boomer, Jaclyn Chancey, William Hooper and Jean Lambert.

- F. **Final Approval of Board Policies:**
 - a. **2131 – Superintendent of Schools**
 - b. **2401 – Evaluation of Superintendent**
 - c. **6163.3 – Live Animals in the Classroom**

Eugene Boomer moved to approve Board Policies 2131, 2401 and 6163.3. William Hooper seconded and the motion passed with the following vote:

Yes: Eugene Boomer, Victor Boomer, Jaclyn Chancey, William Hooper and Jean Lambert.

6. Committee Reports

- A. **Policy Committee** – Chairperson Jaclyn Chancey informed the board that they are making good progress and are at the 6000 level.
- B. **Negotiations Committee** – Superintendent Ken Henrici reported that the negotiations meeting with paraprofessionals will take place with the union and the attorney in-person in the cafeteria at Parish Hill on April 22nd at 4:00 pm.
- C. **Central Office Committee** – Superintendent Ken Henrici said there has been no meeting date scheduled yet, but has sent out a few meeting dates for the committee members to select from.

7. Agenda Items for Next Meeting – Take action on the next Fiscal Year’s Budget, 2020-2021 calendar end of year events and final approval of Board Policies 3542.41 and 4000.1/5145.44.

8. Second Audience for Citizens – None

9. Adjournment – **William Hooper moved to adjourn at 7:40 pm. Jean Lambert seconded and the motion passed with the following vote:**

Yes: Eugene Boomer, Victor Boomer, Jaclyn Chancey, William Hooper and Jean Lambert.

Respectfully Submitted,
Diane Ritchotte
Recording Secretary