

Killington Board of School Director's Meeting
Thursday, October 13, 2016
Killington Elementary School

Attendance: Jen Iannantuoni, Laura McKenna, Butch Findeisen, Mary Guggenberger – Principal, Richard Seaman – WCSU Business Director, Sarah Rasmussen – Recording Secretary

1. Meeting was called to order at 8:20 am
2. Mary requested the Board to call for an Executive Session for Student and Personnel issues. The Board approved the agenda as amended.
3. Butch made a motion to approve the meeting minutes from September 8, 2016, Laura seconded. Approved.
4. Community Engagement/Public Comment:
A correspondence was read from a KES parent regarding the KMS ski program being held during Trailblazers. Board will take note.

5. Action/Discussion Items:

Preliminary Budget plan – Richard presented to the board “where we are now” for the current FY17 budget. FY18 budget will start to get rolling and Richard plans to meet with Mary to begin the process. Things to be considered – change in insurance plans mid-year.

Act 46 Update – Jen wrote a letter regarding Act 46 to the editor of the Mountain Times requesting Killington residents to attend an information Meeting on Monday October 24th at 7pm at KES. Jen had clarified that the Act 46 Committee will vote if each town is deemed “Necessary” or “Advisable”. The Committee is currently trying to finalize the Articles of Agreement.

A motion was made by Jennifer to designate Alice Worth as the authorized individual to vote on behalf of Killington at the VEHI Annual Meeting, seconded by Laura. Board approved. Jennifer signed the necessary paperwork.

After School Update –the program is up and running, slight loss at this time but foresee numbers increasing after soccer has finished. Board is committed to keeping this program moving forward.

6. Reports:

Principal's Report:

Education:

WCSU Literacy and Math Initiatives - Aimee Toth, Literacy Coach, and Kathy Ernst, Math Coach, continue to work in the elementary schools district-wide to advance teaching and learning in these two core content areas. Through a co-planning, teaching, and debriefing model of classroom lessons, teachers have the opportunity to experience and reflect on effective teaching strategies in real time. KES teachers are invigorated by this coaching and are committed to continuous growth to positively affect student outcomes.

October Inservice - Teachers K-2 are attending three after school sessions with the math coach to analyze data from the first implementation of the Primary Math Assessment and to learn about the Common Core word problem types. Teachers 3-6 are attending three after school session with the literacy coach to learn about utilizing reading workshop for literacy block while integrating writing about reading. These afterschool sessions were traded for the October 10th Inservice.

The Vermont AOE is in the 2nd year of piloting the Education Quality Reviews of SU/SDs. Windsor Central Supervisory Union is scheduled for site visits on November 8th and 9th. Members of the visiting team will observe classrooms, interview parents, students, and teachers, and review artifacts such as parent/student handbooks, PLC minutes, evaluation tools, and action plans. KES is in the process of preparing for the visits by establishing schedules for the visiting teams to tour the facility, observe some classrooms, and establish times for interviews. The visits will not interrupt student learning or the course of the school day. The principal and grade 5 teacher, Allison Naugle, participated as part of a visiting team for Orange South Supervisory Union on October 4th and 5th. The process generated commendations and recommendations aligned with the Education Quality Standards, which were shared with the superintendent and the administrative team at the end of the second day of the site visit.

Grade 6 is planning for the Halloween Party on Friday, October 28th with a rain date of October 30th. This year, the haunted house will be set up in Kids' Kingdom. The rec department will participate with games in the cafeteria.

Business:

Enrollment: K-6 - 83; Preschool – 14; Tuition students - 33

KEEPERS have been active in planning for events, especially for the Ski Swap on November 11th, which takes place during Parent Conferences. KEEPERS approved the purchase of a sidewalk sign board to put in front of the school to remind parents and visitors of upcoming events.

Safety: Egress drill was performed on 9/1/16; lockdown drill was performed on 9/30/16.

7. 9:44 am – Board went into Executive Session to discuss Personnel and Staff issues.
9:48 am – Board came out of Executive Session
8. Motion was made to amend Dale Pfeifenberger's contract to reflect actual hours worked, retroactive to the beginning of the school year. Seconded by Laura, Approved by Board
9. Motion was made by Jen to offer a contract to Katie Rader to become the Director of Food Service at KES starting January 2, 2017. Seconded by Butch, Approved by Board.

10. Agenda Setting for November Meeting – Act 46 Update, Budget discussion

11. Meeting was adjournment at 9:52 am.