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Killington Board of School Directors Meeting
Thursday, February 9, 2017
Killington Elementary School

Meeting Minutes

Attendance: Jen Iannantuoni, Laura McKenna, Butch Findeisen, Mary Guggenberger – Principal, Sarah Rasmussen – Recording Secretary

1. Meeting called to order at 8:35 am
2. Amendments to the Agenda:
Amendment to the agenda - Review of the Financial Report sent by WCSU
Butch made a motion to accept the agenda as amended, Jen seconded, approved.
3. Butch made motion to accept the January 18, 2017 and January 19, 2017 meeting minutes, Jen seconded, approved.
4. Community Engagement/Public Comment - none
5. Action/Discussion Items:
 - Discussion of Gov. Scott's Proposed Educational Spending Caps:
Board reviewed the Governors Legislation request. Board went back and reviewed the KES budget following the governor's request. The budget remains the same for the next fiscal year.
 - Act 46 Update:
Jen met with the teachers at KES to give them update on where we are at this point.
 - Superintendent Search Update:
Jen reviewed the two upcoming superintendents interviews and the schedule moving forward
 - Financial Report:
Board reviewed the financial report
6. Reports
 - Principal's Report
Education:
The Killington Elementary Educators and Parents Encouraging Rising Stars (KEEPERS) is actively working to enrich the school experience at KES for all students. They are pursuing fundraisers to include the entire Killington community,

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including a Winter Social tonight, February 9th, at The Foundry from 6-8 PM. A \$20 ticket provides hors d'oeuvres prepared by Chef Tony, live music by Joey Leone, and five chances to win the 50/50 raffle! The Killington Parks and Recreation Department will provide childcare and proceeds will be donated to KES Student Council in their pursuit to purchase new goal nets for the soccer field. Thank you, KEEPERS, for your dedication to KES students!

Talent Show - The Annual KES Talent Show will be held February 17th at 1:45 PM. Teachers are working with students during recess to support them in their quest to perform. Each 1--2 minute act will be complete with props and well-rehearsed. The community is welcome to come and help celebrate the diverse talents of the KES students.

Walkthroughs at KES - On January 31st, members of the WCSU administrative team, including the superintendent, Alice Worth, visited KES to participate in classroom walkthroughs and observations. The purpose of the walkthrough, conducted at each school in WCSU is twofold: 1) to provide opportunity for principals to share in observation discussions around best teaching practices, and 2) to focus on one area for growth as identified in the current school Action Plan. KES walkthroughs focused on consistent teaching practices to address Common Core State Standards in the speaking and listening claims of English/Language Arts. The rich feedback from various perspectives of the administrative team is always appreciated and valued. It makes a difference in the growth of both teachers and students. Thank you to the KES teachers for being so flexible with your schedules and always willing to grow in practice for the good of all KES students.

Dream Box - Teachers are ready to roll-out a new online math tool for each student at KES. This new tool to enrich math skills and knowledge will not only help to improve student outcomes in math but will provide teachers with precise data on how their students are learning and using math skill strategies. This data will lend more knowledge when planning for deliberate interventions and appropriate enrichment for individual students. We are looking forward to introducing this fun, yet purposeful, new math tool to students and analyzing the results of their learning.

Standardized Testing - Grade 4 will take the NAEP (National Assessment of Educational Progress) in literacy and math on Wednesday, March 8th. The results of this test are used for statistical purposes only and do not affect students' grades.

Girl Scouts - An information session for girls and their parents/caregivers was held on January 25th in order to learn about the Girl Scout program and volunteer opportunities. Several families attend the session and were interested in

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participating in the program. At present, a Girl Scout leader is needed to create the group. If you, or someone you know, is interested in being a Girl Scout leader, please contact Girl Scouts of the Green and White mountains, (888) 474-9686. This worthwhile program would be an asset to KES as well as the Killington community.

STEM Night - Mark your calendar for Thursday, March 30th, to attend the KES STEM Night when students in grades K-6 will celebrate their learning in science, technology, engineering, and math. KEEPERS will sponsor a spaghetti dinner in the cafeteria starting at 5:15 PM followed by student-led presentations in the gym until 7 PM. Come share a meal and enjoy learning with us!

Business:

Enrollment: K-6 - 86; Preschool - 16; Tuition students – 34

Safety: Lockdown drills and Egress drills are on schedule according to VPA guidelines.

Buildings & Grounds:

A new snow blower has been purchased by Dave Cleaves as the old one is now beyond repair.

7. Board went into Executive Session at 9:53 am
Board came out of Executive Session at 10:02 am – no action taken
8. The Killington Act 46 Public Meeting will be held Monday, February 27, 2017 at 7:00pm at Killington Town Hall.
9. Killington School Board Annual Meeting and vote is being held on Monday March 6, 2017 at 4:30 pm at the Killington Elementary School.
10. Next KES Board meeting - Thursday, March 9, 2017, at 8:15 a.m., Killington Elementary School
11. The Board adjourned at 10:20 am