

Champlain Islands Unified Union School District
Meeting Monday, May 1, 2017
At Isle La Motte School

Present:

Andy Julow

Jane Zera

Nathan Robinson

Mike Talbot

Barbara Burrington, Superintendent

Lynne Carpenter, Business Manager

Meeting called to order by Andy Julow at 6:33 p.m.

Adjustment of Agenda: Andy Julow advised that Lynne Carpenter wanted to add District Funding under New Business

Approval of Minutes of March 27, 2017: Minutes accepted as read

Public Input: None

Andy Julow distributed an updated version of the District's 3 Year Plan to include the following:

*Grand Isle Class of 2019 Transition Recommendation

*Secure Staffing Resources for Transition Work

*Secure Funding Stream for Expenses

Adopt Base Policies:

The district must adopt mandatory policies. Andy Julow suggested adopting all current GISU policies, and then make changes as necessary to policies over the next 2 years.

Nathan Robinson made a motion to adopt all GISU policies for CIUUSD. Second by Mike Talbot. All in favor.

At the next meeting, the board will review some policies. Nathan Robinson suggested coming up with a plan on how to approach the adopted 29 policies in the next 24 months. Barbara Burrington and Ellen Norris will review the policies and see which ones need some editing (i.e. transportation).

Support Position:

Previously it was discussed hiring a support person to help the Superintendent. Barbara Burrington has agreed to work up to 20 hours per month during the transition. The 3 individual districts will fund this position, and it will be based on a percentage for each district.

District Funding:

Andy Julow advised that the webpage is up. It only has one page at this point, but there is a countdown on the page that shows how many days until the district goes "live".

Lynne Carpenter told the board that they needed a line of credit for one year, then it will renew at the end of the year. It was decided that the board would ask for a \$25,000.00 line of credit to cover expenses (treasurer, clerk, board stipends, miscellaneous expenses). Mike Talbot made a motion to authorize Andy Julow to sign loan documents with People's United Bank for a \$25,000.00 line of credit. Second by Nathan Robinson. All in favor.

Governance Discussion:

Gary Marckres worked on the Mission Statement/Vision Statement/Values. It reads as follows:

Mission:

Enabling student success in a rapidly changing world through flexible pathways, equitable opportunities and diverse educational offerings.

Vision:

To become the place where a positive learning environment that inspires all students to demonstrate mastery, belonging, independence and responsibility intersects with a fiscally responsible administrative team that attracts and retains caring, dedicated educators

Values:

The cornerstones to support the foundation of the Champlain Islands Unified Union School District's Mission and Vision are characterized by the four core values of: RESPECT – ACHIEVEMENT – RESPONSIBILITY – ACCEPTANCE

This was approved as a working document for the board.

3 Year Plan Review:

A discussion took place regarding the 3 Year Plan, and the additions made to it. It was decided that an update on the district would be sent to The Islander (to include information such as the logo and alert people to the website).

Andy Julow spoke to representatives of the Alburgh and South Hero School Boards. Both seemed interested in staying with our district, if they could keep their current structure.

It was noted that there is a 3 by 1 merger amendment being brought forward. Ben Joseph is trying to have this passed, but is not overly optimistic in this structure.

Agenda Building:

- Review a couple policies
- Defining academic offerings
- Megan Grube to attend next meeting
- Start discussion regarding FY19 7th graders (Grand Isle)
- Continue discussion regarding communications

Next meeting is scheduled for Monday, May 22, 2017 at 6:30 p.m. at Grand Isle School

Mike Talbot made a motion to adjourn; second by Jane Zera. Meeting adjourned at 7:07 p.m.