Grand Isle Supervisory Union

CIUUSD Regular Meeting

Tuesday, June 11, 2019

Minutes

Board Present: Gary Marckres, Nathan Robinson, Michael Inners, Jane Zera, Mason Maltais (arrived 6:33 p.m.)

Admin Present: Michael Clark, Rob Gess, Megan DeVinny

Public Present: Joyce Tuck, Don Bartlett

Call to Order

1. Call to Order - Gary Marckres called to order at 6:31 pm

2. Adjust the Agenda - Michael Clark would like to add another teaching contract, and the Town of North Hero reached out regarding use of school as an emergency shelter, Rob Gess would like to add the Abbey contract as well. Gary Marckres said items will be added at the beginning of board business

3. Citizens and/or Staff to be Heard - none

a. Board correspondence - Michael Clark shared letter in packet regarding change in leadership at North Hero school.

4. Consent Agenda

a. Approve the minutes from 5/14/2019 & 6/4/2019 - no adjustments, minutes approved.

b. Accept resignation - Michael Clark shared that these folks asked for an extension and have jobs

   i. Coori Sellers
   ii. Mandy Alarcon

   1. Mason Maltais motions to accept the resignations and release from their contracts, Nathan Robinson second, all in favor

5. Reports

a. Superintendent’s - Michael Clark shared his written report. It has been a busy month and getting CIUUSD ready to go. All individual contracts were out on time and we are a few days away from support staff contracts being due back. FY18 GISU single audit has been submitted, management letter will be shared at GISU meeting in two weeks. Conversations with Sullivan & Powers continue on a weekly basis to finalize single audits for districts. The hiring season this year has been fantastic and we have had high quality applicants and hires.

b. Financial - Rob Gess shared that establishment of CIUUSD is going well and is about complete. The financial system is set up. The payroll deduction codes need to be input, but that is a labor-intensive process and team is chipping away. Should be ready to go on July 1.

Board Business

6. New hire approval - Michael Clark shared Marie Maillet for CIUUSD elementary teacher at the Isle La Motte campus. Michael Inners moves to approve, Nathan Robinson second. All in favor, motion passes.

7. North Hero School potential site for a Red Cross Shelter - Michael Clark shared this is a one-year agreement. The North Hero building has always been a site, but not a formal agreement in place. We will need to reach out to the Isle La Motte and Grand Isle Town offices. The agreement needs a 24 hour contact person, Mason Maltais volunteers to be the contact for the North Hero building. Nathan Robinson asked what happens if school is in session. Jane Zera shared in her training, there were designated hours to allow for school to continue. Michael Clark shared that it is likely that if there is an emergency, likely
there would not be school. Michael Clark said they would work with the Red Cross to sort this out. Michael Clark shared that the agreement covers the facility, insurance coverages not necessarily the situation. Gary Marckres moves to approve North Hero school as emergency shelter through Red Cross and he is authorized to sign, Mason Maltais second. All in favor, motion passed.

8. Food service contract for the Abbey Group - Rob Gess shared that the child nutrition folks at AOE clarified that the contract for the Abbey group can be extended. The board may approve a one year extension for the year 2020 for the merged districts. Rob Gess recommends this process. Michael Clark shared that he supports this one year extension. This will allow for the principals to work with the Abbey Group to have meetings and give them a year to meet the standards. Gary Marckres would like to see a schedule of food service committee meetings and would like to see RFP process continue for advertisement at the earliest date allowed by law. Michael Clark will take the lead to schedule meetings with the Abbey Group and two principals and having the Abbey Group present at the board level their plan. Gary Marckres move to approve one year contract extension for the Isle La Motte, Grand Isle, and North Hero campuses, Mason Maltais second. Vote 3-2, motion passes.

9. School Calendar - Michael Clark shared that the month of January is missing a student day. Recommend adding a day at the end of the school year. Gary Marckres motions, Mason Maltais second. All in favor, motion passes.

10. Move of Central Office - Michael Clark shared that demo has started, Kindergarten class is being packed and moved. Meeting with Megan, Rob, Dave, and Michael Clark occurred on Tuesday to meet with all the contractors for project to ensure timelines and invoicing. We will be ready to spend grant money. Will not be ready to move out July 1, most likely looking to stay in the current location in July and August.

11. Transition Grant Funds - Michael Clark shared the final numbers for the transition grant funds. Michael Inners moves to confirm authorization of $55,000 toward modular offices from Exterus, Mason Maltais second. All in favor, motion passes.

12. Update on Teacher negotiations - Mason Maltais shared there is another meeting tomorrow.

13. Policy review -
   ● C1: Education Records - Michael Inners moves to approve, Mason Maltais second. All in favor, motion passes
   ● C4: Limited English Proficiency Students - Mason Maltais moves to approve, Gary Marckres second. All in favor, motion passes
   ● C8: Pupil Privacy Rights - Michael Inners moves to approve, Mason Maltais second. All in favor, motion passes
   ● C9: Federal Child Nutrition Act Wellness - Gary Marckres moves to approve, Nathan Robinson second. All in favor, motion passes
   ● D3: Responsible Computer, Network & Internet Use - Mason Maltais moves to approve, Gary Marckres second. All in favor, motion passes
   ● D4: Title I Comparability Policy - Jane Zera moves to approve, Mason Maltais second. All in favor, motion passes
   ● D5: Animal Dissection - Michael Inners moves to approve, Nathan Robinson second. All in favor, motion passes
- E1: Title I, Part A Parental Involvement Policy - Gary Marckres moves to approve, Mason Maltais second. All in favor, motion passes
- D12: Harassment of Employees updated to B5: Prevention of Employee Harassment - policy reviewed.
- E8: Tobacco Prohibition becomes B7: Tobacco Prohibition - policy reviewed. Michael Clark will contact VSBA to clarify guidance around tobacco policy.
- F21: Firearms/weapons becomes C5: Firearms - policy reviewed. “Brought before the board” instead of “brought” within the policy.
- F25: Student Attendance becomes C7: Student Attendance - policy reviewed.
- F31: Prevention of harassment, hazing and bullying of students becomes C10: Prevention of Harassment, Hazing and Bullying of Students - policy reviewed
- F31P: Prevention of Harassment, Hazing and Bullying of Students Procedures becomes procedure C10P: Prevention of Harassment, Hazing and Bullying of Students Procedures - policy reviewed.
- F15: Student Publications becomes C11: Student Freedom of Expression in School-Sponsored Media - policy reviewed.
- D1 - policy reviewed. Michael Clark has reached out to Sue to clarify if this necessary if not operating beyond 8th grade. Michael Inners says drop if we can.

14. Vermont Municipal Retirement - Michael Clark shared that North Hero school had voted to participate in VMERS. In transferring over to CIUUSD, it must be across the board. We currently have no employees part of the Municipal Retirement system. Gary Marckres motions to not have CIUUSD board participate in Vermont Municipal Retirement, Mason Maltais second. All in favor, motion passes.

15. Other - none

Closure
16. Setting the next agenda - Policy approval, central office move update, goals, follow up on food service discussion, principal attendance, financial update, SU representative conversation, SBAC results (presentation by the Director of Curriculum), updated status on contracted services bidding

14. Adjourn - Mason Maltais motions to adjourn, Nathan Robinson second. All in favor, motion passes. Meeting adjourns at 8:16 p.m.