

## **School Administrative District 8 Board Meeting**

**November 16, 2022**

**5:15 PM Business Meeting/5:30 Regular Meeting**

### **Middle School Wing**

**Board members present (5): Alexandra McCarthy, Rachel Noyes, Sue Dempster, Sarah Crossman Zoom: Penny Lazaro**

**Administration present: Monte Selby, Superintendent/Principal Bryan Feezor Assistant Principal Tina Davidson, Business Manager and Alison Pols Special Ed Director**

- I. Call of the Roll - 5:30 pm
- II. Revisions to Agenda – Move Principal Report to agenda item VII and Superintendent of Schools Report to item VIII.
- III. Approval of minutes – October 19, 2022 – R Noyes motion to approve/S Dempster second (4-1-0)
- IV. Persons desiring to address the Board - none
- V. Board Chair: Topics from state school board conference – The board attended the School Board Conference at the end of October. They each chose two meetings that they found to be interesting to them and discussed the take away from each. Ali also informed the board that the first Policy Committee meeting was held on November 9<sup>th</sup>, 2022. Ali and Rachel worked on the chosen policies. Each month they will decide which two board members will work and meet.
- VI. Personnel – none
- VII. Principal's Report -  
Kaylin Wu, Technology Island Fellow  
Kaylin Wu came to the island as an Island Institute Fellow. An Island Institute Fellow is an individual who has graduated college within the last five years. They are placed in a coastal or island community in Maine to work on a community-based project for two years. Host sites apply with specific projects in mind and are matched to the host site based on their skills and experience. Island Fellows are not new to Vinalhaven and have worked in other places besides the school. The goal is to ensure that the outcome of the project is sustainable for the community and that the project goals can continue to grow for years.  
Kaylin came to work at the school in tech integration. She works with teachers and staff to support technology integration, supports school needs assessment and will help in hiring for new technology staff when the need presents itself. Kaylin also mentors the LEGO Robotics team. Some of the classroom technology ideas that she is working on is Bee Bots, LEGO Spike, 3D printers, merge cubes and Maine Robotics Track meets.  
Kaylin is always open to questions but has strict work hours and restrictions set by the Island Institute which means there will be some things she cannot accommodate, especially if they fall outside the scope of her project.

VIII. Superintendent of Schools Report –

Monte provided a slide show with different photos of the activities some of our students have been involved in over the last month. Chris Van Dussen came to visit and signed books for the elementary students, 8<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup> graders have spent the week at Kieve and Kris Osgood and Bryan Feezor took a group of high school students to Washington DC for a long weekend trip which was provided by Widow Island Fund.

Quick updates to keep the board informed: HS workshop on Nov 10<sup>th</sup> with Jess Anderson, Count Me In, Vector Training is the platform that is being used for our mandatory trainings and all staff must pass the test at the end of each video, AI and the door company are still working on getting the front doors up and running with a new key system, we have been working on bus preparation and planning, basketball practices will start on Monday, November 21<sup>st</sup> and Monte wanted to welcome Jonathan Smith who will be Emily Cohn's long term sub while she is on her maternity leave. Monte also talked a little about chronic absenteeism with our students and how it is really affecting their learning ability by not being in the classroom. 51% was the first report given by the state. The staff is working on ways to keep students engaged and wanting to be in school. One thing to watch out for each week in the Wind, there will be a section titled School Connections. This will give families an opportunity to see and talk about what their child is doing in school.

As we move through December, we will lose Alison Pols, Special Ed Director and at this time we have had no applicants.

IX. Questions of Board Members - none

X. Policy Consideration

A. Policy GCOA Supervision and Evaluation of Professional Staff- Second Read

**A McCarthy motion to approve and adopt Policy GCOA/R Noyes seconds (5-0)**

B. Policy DJ-R Federal Procurement Manual, Federal Funds - First Read

**R Noyes motion to approve 1<sup>st</sup> read Policy DJ-R/S Crossman seconds (5-0)**

C. Policy CBI Evaluation of the Superintendent - First Read

**A McCarthy motion to approve 1<sup>st</sup> read Policy CBI/S Dempster seconds (5-0)**

D. Policy AC Non-Discrimination/Equal Opportunity/Affirmative Action - First Read

**A McCarthy motion to approve 1<sup>st</sup> read Policy AC/R Noyes seconds (5-0)**

E. Policy ACAA Harassment and Sexual Harassment of Students - First Read

**A McCarthy motion to approve 1<sup>st</sup> read Policy ACAA/S Crossman seconds (5-0)**

XI. Old Business - none

XII. New Business - none

XIII. Set date for December 2022 regular meeting: December 14, 2022

XIV. Adjourn 6:54