

Pending Approval

The regular meeting of the Conestoga Board of Education was held Tuesday, May 12, 2020 virtually through a video conferencing platform. Scott Moore, President, called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m. Present were Board Members Jason Nolting, Allison Welch, Scott Moore, David Duzik, Tracey Priefert, and Dean Nickels; Present Administrators Eric Dennis, Amanda Wright, Robin Frost, Rob Geise, and Superintendent Beth Johnsen. Activities Director Jason Ahrens; 13 visitors in attendance.

Notice of the meeting was given in advance by publication and/or posting in accordance with the Board approved method for giving notice of meetings. Notice of this meeting and the subjects to be discussed at this meeting were given in advance to all members of the Board of Education. A current copy of the agenda was maintained as stated in the publicized notice.

At the beginning of this meeting, Scott Moore, President, announced and informed the public that a current copy of the Open Meetings Act is available in pamphlet form and on the hall wall at the District Office.

Motion by Allison Welch, second by Jason Nolting to approve the minutes of the Tuesday, April 14, 2020, regular meeting of the Board of Education. Motion carried 6-0 by roll call vote.

Clarification on voided checks.

Motion by Jason Nolting, second by Tracey Priefert to approve the claims as submitted. Motion carried 6-0 by roll call vote.

The agenda was set as presented.

SCHEDULED AUDIENCE:

Pam Hart with Happy Harts daycare, addressed reopening possibilities for the facility at the Elementary school.

COMMITTEE REPORT:

None

REPORTS:

Eric Dennis:

1. Item return plan scheduled for the 18th & 19th next week.
2. MTSS team met last week, continuing plans for next year and will make adjustments if needed.

Rob Geise:

1. Congrats to Mr. Burns and Skills USA, they won a \$1000 Chapter Resource grant.
2. Graduation ceremony plans still tentative, scheduled for July 11; Junior parents have taken over Prom, scheduled for July 10.
3. Senior recognition activities have been underway. Check out is complete
4. Check in procedures for the rest of the students planned for the 19th, 20th and 21st.
5. Due to the current situation, 6th grade orientation didn't happen this year. School will take more time with students and parents in the fall to answer questions and expose students to different opportunities.
6. Lisa Bergmeyer is off to a great start as new Director of Curriculum, Instruction, and Assessment.
7. Currently working with Mrs. Kreifels to recognize students who received scholarships

Robin Frost:

1. Math team consisted of 1 teacher per grade level, about 9 teachers to determine best fit for K-11 Math textbooks.

Amanda Wright:

1. Special Education teachers getting ready for Extended School Year (ESY) for qualifying students beginning in June.
2. Thank you to all paraprofessionals, they have been coming into buildings doing what they can and tutoring students.

Jason Ahrens:

1. Bella Hogue honored last Thursday as Channel 6 "Athlete of the Week"
2. 12 students name NSAA Spring Academic All-State.
3. Governor Ricketts announced schools are permitted to open weight rooms, following guidelines.

Beth Johnsen:

1. Ending 2019-2020 School year and discussion of what starting in the fall could mean for students. Following advice from NDE commissioner and website tools/resources.
2. Technology 'needs' for Elementary students and what devices are available to K-12 students, discussion held on the purchase of new devices for 5th, 6th, and 7-8th grade students.

DISCUSSION ITEMS:

1. Foundation report for 1st quarter, shows a loss of 60k.
2. CARES Act preliminary estimates
3. State Aid projections for 2020-2021, shows a loss of 100k.
4. Effects of COVID19 on education.

ACTION ITEMS:

Motion by Jason Nolting, second by Tracey Priefert to approve the resignation of Quin Conner and Laura Carlton. Motion carried 6-0 by roll call vote.

Motion by Allison Welch, second by Tracey Priefert to approve the teaching contract for Nick Hegge and Colten Krause. Motion carried 6-0 by roll call vote.

Motion by Allison Welch, second by David Duzik to approve carpet bids for the Elementary not to exceed \$30,000. Motion carried 6-0 by roll call vote.

Motion by Tracey Priefert, second by Allison Welch to approve the iPad purchase of 215 new devices with keyboards for \$80,339. Motion carried 6-0 by roll call vote.

Motion by David Duzik, second by Tracey Priefert to approve the purchase of K-11 Math textbooks/digital materials. Motion carried 6-0 by roll call vote.

FUTURE DATES:

May 21, 2020	Last Student Day
June 9, 2020	Board of Education Meeting

Motion by Dean Nickels, second by Jason Nolting to adjourn as there was no further business to be brought before the Board of Education. Motion carried 6-0 by roll call vote. President Scott Moore adjourned the meeting at 8:31 p.m.