

DANVILLE SCHOOL BOARD: APPROVED REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

APRIL 4, 2023

Danville School District
Board of Directors Regular Meeting
Tuesday, April 4, 2023 – 6:00 p.m.
Danville School Library and Zoom Teleconference
[Video Recording Available](#)

School Board Directors Present: Dave Towle, Tim Sanborn, Molly Gleason, Melissa Conly (via Zoom)

Planned Absences: Clayton Cargill

School Administrators Present: Superintendent Mark Tucker, Interim Secondary Principal Dave Schilling, Elementary Principal Sarah Welch

1. **Call meeting to order:** Dave T. sat in as chair and called the meeting to order at 6:00pm.

2. **Additions/Changes to the Agenda - (*Proposed additions or deletions/Possible agreement*)**
Dave S. reported that they did not have Sevigny request for this meeting.

3. **Approve Minutes:**

- March 8th, 2023
- March 22nd, 2023

MOTION: Tim moved to approve the two meeting minutes, Melissa second, all in favor.

4. **Administrative Reports:**

- [Superintendent:](#)

Open Positions at Danville: Mark reported that he has a recommendation for the open elementary art teacher position.

PCB Testing: Mark shared that the House passed the bill to pause PCB testing at schools and fund remediation 100% at schools where PCBs have been found. The Senate is not in favor of pausing testing. Danville, Cabot, and Twinfield will need funding for remediation.

Statewide Testing Program: The state's new testing system will begin in April. It is an adaptive test; as the student completes questions, the test adapts to the student's level. Sarah reported that the testing window is April 12th through May 6th, 2023.

Crisis Planning Training: A small team is going to Waterbury for crisis planning training.

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JUUL Settlement: Mark shared that he has a meeting scheduled with the Agency on Education to discuss options for spending the \$22,000 JUUL settlement on anti-smoking education and prevention, including elementary programming.

- Student Services: There were no questions about the report.
- Principals: Brief discussion on PLL (Partnership for Literacy and Learning) and the literacy audit for all grade levels at the school.
- Student Representative: No report this month.

5. Board Business:

- Dedication of Softball Field (*Discussion / Possible Action*):

Dave T. reported that the town owns the field. The school board would make a recommendation to the selectboard, and the selectboard would take action.

MOTION: Tim moved to make a recommendation to the Selectboard that the softball field be dedicated to Paul Remick, Melissa seconded, all in favor.

Dave T. will contact Clayton to contact the selectboard about the recommendation.

- Principal Search:

Mark shared that there is a limited pool of candidates for the secondary principal position, and other superintendents in the state are struggling to find administrators.

Dave S. shared that his work with Danville Works is on hold due to taking on the interim secondary principal position, specifically internships, community outreach, and making middle school connections. The outdoor education and shop programs are covered by staff.

There was a brief discussion on applicants and possible candidates for the secondary principal position.

- Seigny Fund:

This agenda item was tabled for the next meeting.

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- Executive Session: Residency Exception Request in accordance with 1 V.S.A. 313(7) (*Discussion / Recommended Approval*)

MOTION: Molly moved to go into Executive Session at 6:21pm, Tim seconded, all in favor.

MOTION: Molly moved to go out of Executive Session 6:26pm, Tim seconded, all in favor.

MOTION: Molly moved to approve the residency request recommended by the superintendent, Tim seconded, all in favor.

6. Public Input: None

7. Future Agenda Items / Next Meeting Date

- Sevigny Fund
- Security Features (in Executive Session)
- Teacher Hiring Recommendations
- Hiring Authority for Superintendent
- The next meeting will be a regular meeting on Tuesday, May 2, 2023

8. Adjourn

- Molly moved to adjourn at 6:28pm, Melissa seconded, all in favor.

Respectfully submitted by Molly Gleason, Clerk, April 6, 2023.