

Unapproved
Twinfield Union School Informational Meeting
Twinfield Union School Library – Zoom Meeting
Tuesday, April 13, 2021
6:00 p.m.

6:07 p.m. Call to order by Superintendent Mark Tucker

In attendance: Lauren Cleary, Erin Barry, Patrick Healy, Winona Johnson, Principal Mark Mooney, Superintendent Mark Tucker, Teacher Chris Sheehan. Absent: Janna Osman and Manny Sainz

Reorganization of the Board

Board Chair - Lauren Cleary nominated Patrick Healy for Board Chair and seconded by Winona Johnson. Motion passed.

Vice Chair – Erin Barry nominated Lauren Cleary for Vice Chair and seconded by Winona Johnson. Motion passed.

Board Clerk – Winona Johnson nominated Erin Barry for Board Clerk and seconded by Lauren Cleary. Motion passed.

SU Representatives – Erin Barry nominated Patrick Healy and Winona Johnson to serve as SU board reps and seconded by Lauren Cleary. Motion passed.

Negotiation Committee – Lauren Cleary nominated Patrick Healy for the negotiation committee and seconded by Winona Johnson. Motion passed.

Central Vt Career Center Rep – Lauren Cleary nominated Janna Osman for the Central Vt Career Center rep and seconded by Erin Barry.

School Board meeting schedule - Second Tuesday of the month at 6 PM – meeting will stay as scheduled.

Annual Board Retreat – tabled

Designate posting location – Marshfield town clerk, Plainfield town clerk, school website

Code of Ethics – next meeting

Communication Practices – Mark Tucker spoke to the chain of the command and what that chain looks like. Discussion on how the board should communicate between each other. There can be one on one questions, but emails cannot be a reply all.

Check Warrants - Patrick Healy will continue to sign. Lauren Cleary will be an alternate signer.

Statewide Health Care Delegate – board representative that will cast a vote for statewide healthcare contract when it is time. Erin Barry will be the board representative for this. Discuss board opportunities and attendance – go on VSBA website for tutorials and information.

Public Comment –

Chris Sheehan wanted to thank the board for their time.

Mark Tucker mentioned that before COVID they were starting to have faculty come to board meetings and brief the board on what they are working on at Twinfield. Look to do this again in the future if staff would like.

Consent Agenda –

Minutes tabled until the next meeting - do not have a quorum of the board members from these meetings in attendance.

Superintendent's Report – some points talked about

- Discussion on vaccination with the school staff. Also, touched briefly on COVID cases that the schools have had.
- Teacher Retirement change has been pulled back. Currently off the table.
- Universal Schools Meal Program – started at breakfast and lunch. No funding source to cover all the expenses so now the program is looking at just free breakfast.
- Basic needs assessment – testing

Principals Report – some points talked about

- Staff appreciated the message from the board.
- Smarter balance testing has begun.
- Hiring has started.
- Student voice group – talking to lower grades about race and equity.
- Looking at curriculum through an equity lens
- Afterschool program
- Looking to keep the two bus runs.
- Mark Mooney went over who is retiring, and positions being hired.
- Graduation plans are underway.

Any questions or discussion on building permanent outside classrooms? Will try and continue what they currently have.

Student Service Report – no board discussion

Summer Program brief discussion. Esser funds will be used to fund this program.

End of year discussion – already covered.

Executive Session – to address a sick leave bank request.

A **motion** to go into Executive Session at 7:04 PM to address request by Erin Barry and seconded by Winona Johnson. Motion passed.

A **motion** to come out of Executive Session by Patrick Healy at 7:10 PM. Motion passed.

A **motion** to open the sick bank for up to 15 days for the employee that requested it by Erin Barry and seconded by Winona Johnson. Motion approved.

Board took the time to go around and introduce themselves to Winona.

A **motion** to adjourn the meeting by Lauren Cleary. Motion passed.

Minutes respectfully submitted,

Nicky Cole