

EUSTIS SCHOOL DEPARTMENT

TUESDAY, AUGUST 13, 2024

5:30 P.M.

AGENDA *MINUTES*

Attendance: Casey Cote, Jamie Isley, Dave Richards, Jeff Brickley,
Sarah Strunk (absent)

- I. Call to order- Casey Cote, Chair**
- II. Pledge of Allegiance**
- III. See if the Board will approve the minutes of the 6/4/24 meeting?**
Jeff motioned, Dave seconded, All in favor
- IV. Welcome Guests**
- V. Principal's Report**
 - 1. School Updates**

Soccer Games: There are 6 boy's games, 8 girls games and 4 Co-Ed games. Pepin Lumber has sponsored new uniforms this year, there are enough for grades 6-8 to have those uniforms and 5th grade will have previous new uniforms.

Tabitha met with Leah Ross and she is working on putting a Afterschool Program that will take place at school/and or the Community Building through the Stratton Rec Department and in conjunction with the school.

We will have a Back to School BBQ on Monday, August 26th from 4-5:30.

The staff just completed two days of BARR (Building Assets, Reducing Risks) training. The staff was very positive about the training. Tabitha shared some of the staff's thoughts with the board.

Tabitha also informed that the staff will be participating in Active Shooter Training on August 26th in conjunction with the Somerset Sheriff's Department. The new cameras will be installed in September.

Tabitha gave the board a draft of an updated Dress Code policy to be read and discussed and voted on at the next meeting.

Tabitha also stated that a major goal she has for this year is to have a 1,3, and 5 year plan for maintenance, technology, bussing, enrollment, etc.

It was also stated that the Nighttime Custodian and Nurse position are still open to be filled. Mrs. Emery does have a plan to make the long term nurse position work in the meantime.

2. Hiring of Head Cook, Asst. Cook, Ed. Tech 1

Tabitha asked the board to consider the new hires, Chritina Auger for Head Cook/Kitchen Director, Keri Brewer as Assistant Cook and Daniel Roy as an Ed Tech 1.

VI. Superintendent's Report

1. Contract Agreement with the High School

We previously had a 10 year contract with MSAD 58 for paying 105% tuition. It ran out a year ago. Barry has been working on a contract with them, as they were previously charging the 105%, even though we had signed for 100%. Laura and Barry are trying to make a two year contract, to pay the state average for the 2023-2024 rate. The MSAD 58 board voted to charge 105% again, but it is still in discussion, Barry will update in September.

2. School Projects

Barry and Shawn met with Kirk Williams about the town garage. Garage on RT 16 is the best option. The town lot that was being considered will hopefully be given to the school, with the house removed. The town is also pursuing a spot for affordable housing as that would potentially also bring in more school families to town.

EI update: Bringing three phase power to the school could be written into the proposal and 40% of that cost could be reimbursed. Barry stated that we should look at Air quality/Heating upgrades as they will be needed as we move forward.

Barry is working on new skis for school.

3. Resignation of Asst. Cook

Barry read the letter from Mauren Blake, asst. Cook. She has to resign due to her living arrangements, but stated she would help in any way possible.

VII. School Chair's Report

none

VIII. Public Comment

none

IX. Discussion Items

1. Adjustment to the Agenda

X. Action Items

- 1. To see if the board will approve the hiring of Christina Auger as Head Cook?** Jeff motioned, Jamie seconded, All in favor
- 2. To see if the board will approve the hiring of Keri Brews as an Assistant Cook?** Jeff motioned, Dave seconded, All in favor
- 3. To see if the board will approve the hiring of Daniel Roy as an Ed. Tech 1?**
Jeff motioned, Dave seconded, All in favor

XI. Adjournment—Jeff motioned to adjourn, Dave seconded, all in favor 6:23

Future September Meeting: September 10, 2024

-Dress Code Policy

-Town lot

-Solar Panels? Do we consider it?

-School Tour & Greenhouse

-Hire Soccer Coaches0

CURRENT POLICY for Stratton School

DRESS CODE POLICY

No student may come to school dressed in a manner that disrupts the learning environment. All pupils who go to school without proper attention having been given to personal cleanliness or neatness of dress may be sent home to be properly prepared for school or shall be required to prepare themselves for the schoolroom before entering.

1. All pupils shall be neat, clean and attired appropriately for a school situation.
2. No headgear of any kind is to be worn in school except for verified medical or religious reasons.
3. No obscenities are to be worn at any time. There is to be no writing promoting weapons, alcohol, drugs, or sex. (Displays in student lockers are an extension of this rule.)
4. Students are not allowed to come barefooted to regular school activities.
5. Specific groups may impose additional dress and groom regulations on their membership because of the particular needs of specialized activities.
6. The administration has an obligation to take action to control any conditions pertaining to grooming or dress, whether or not specifically mentioned in these rules and regulations, when safety, neatness, health, cleanliness, or morality appear in the judgment of the principal or their designee, to require action.
7. Administration may suspend this part of the policy during special events.

NEPN/NSBA CODE: JRA-R

SPECIFIC GUIDELINES AND EXPECTATIONS ARE LISTED BELOW:

Students are expected to dress in such a way that encourages academic excellence and is not distracting. They need to be dressed appropriately for the weather and their job. We ask all parents to help their child dress/choose clothes that will assist in success for all children Pre-Kindergarten to Grade 8. This includes but is not limited to:

- Shorts and skirts that reach to the fingertips or below
- Shirts having shoulder straps at least two fingers wide and cover the under arm.
- Clothing that does not allow any undergarments to be showing
- Leggings worn with a shirt or other article of clothing covering the bottom.

Children will be allowed to call home on the first dress code offense. After the first offense children will be given clothes meeting the dress code criteria to be worn for the day.