

**WEATHERSFIELD SCHOOL BOARD**  
Weathersfield School and Google Meet  
May 19, 2022  
Approved Minutes

I. **CALL TO ORDER/INTRODUCTIONS/PLEDGE**

The meeting was called to order by Board Chair, Annemarie Redmond, at 6:30 p.m.

PRESENT: Annemarie Redmond, Jacqui Antonivich, Mark Yuengling, Jaimie Turner, Nichole Gagnon, Brian Martes, Larry Dougher, BJ Esty, Lora Powers, Diana Stillson, Jessica Brown, Carrie Jewell, Alena Martes, Jonathan Richardson, Erica Yuengling, Jaimie Richardson/PTO, SAPA and Becky Chrisinger. The flag was pledged.

II. **CHANGES TO THE AGENDA:** None

III. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

a) April 5, 2022

Annemarie Redmond asked for a motion concerning the minutes of 4/5/22. Mark Yuengling made a motion to approve the minutes of 4/5/22. Jaimie Turner seconded this motion. Annemarie Redmond made some changes. NFD. The minutes were approved with the changes. 4 ayes and 1 abstention.

IV. **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

June 2 - There is a Strategic Plan and Barbeque in Windsor. The meeting will be in the theater of the school and the barbeque will be outside.

V. **LEAD LEARNER'S REPORT**

a) *PTO Year in Review* - Presented by Jaimie Richardson

A slide show presentation of the PTO's past year was presented with narration.

b) *Athletic Update*

Our spring sports are in full swing and there are two more weeks of sports left.

c) *Community Open House/Dinner - Barbeque/5/26/22*

The BBQ will be from 5:00-6:30 p.m. with tours of the classrooms from 6:00-7:00 p.m. The 8th Graders will be cooking with supervision and this is a community service project.

d) *SBAC Testing* is almost completed. The students are working really hard on these tests.

e) *Steam Camp*

Steam Camp is happening! It will take place July 12 - August 5. They are still waiting for a confirmation of the number of students who are attending. There will be three of our staff and two staff within the SU.

f) *New Hires*

Music Teacher - Samuel Francis

5th Grade Teacher - Christina McCutcheon

Spanish Teacher - Barbara Sirotkin

SEI - Shannon Harrington

Paraprofessional - Tammy Rice

We are still looking for a 5-8 Math Paraprofessional.

g) *Leader-in-Me*

The school will be developing a common language to use to teach these skills and will be keeping simple expectations.

h) *Enrollment*

We have 240 students enrolled and attendance has been 89.8%

i) *COVID Updates*

The 3rd - 8th graders eat in the lunchroom now. The K – 2<sup>nd</sup> graders eat in their classroom and the teachers feel this is beneficial for these students. There are test kits available for use as needed.

j) *Building Community*

We will have a Fire Safety Presentation again next year.

BJ Esty and Brian Martes are on the Emergency Preparedness Team.

We had a fire drill.

Chief Daniels continues to contribute about school safety.

Brian Martes and his wife will be Windsor Prom Judges.

k) *Other NOTES:*

June 6 is *Weatherfield's Got Talent* and 29 students are participating in this event.

5 Weathersfield students are in the Hartland production of *Willy Wonka*.

The Staff Appreciation was wonderful and all staff felt appreciated.

The high school fair was very successful.

VT Energy Education came to provide education to students and the 4th Grade Students learned about Vermont government.

We are hoping to get tables to build on for the Maker Space and flexible seating in the library rather than the traditional tables and chairs. The tables will be repurposed in the staff room.

Upcoming Events

8th Grade Dance

Kindergarten Screening

Student Showcase

Early Release and Weathersfield's Got Talent

VI. **SUPERINTENDENT REPORT** - Presented by Larry Dougher for David Baker

- The Equity Audit Proposals are back.
- The contracts are in order and shout out to Teena Canfield.
- Mike Nicholson - Self Directed Learning
- 911 calls go to the building principals now.
- Our middle level work continues.
- The calendar for next year is final. The day is extended to pre-COVID time.
- The SU Meeting - There should be a decision on an Interim Superintendent.

VII. **ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION**

a) *Hicks Nichols Grants* - Diana Stillson/Chairperson

The committee had two applicants for Grants.

- 1) Maker Space - Presented by Brian Martes and Tara Ordway Smith They applied for supplies for the Maker Space which will promote problem solving, critical thinking, creativity and hands-on learning.
2. Playground Equipment for Equity for All Children - Presented by Kathy Dana and BJ Esty They are applying for adaptive playground equipment to support equity for all of the students of Weathersfield in using the equipment.

The Committee has approved both of these grants and the total amount of the two grants is \$38,945.00. The Board needs to approve. See Items For Action c).

- b) *5 Year Maintenance Plan and and Financials* - Larry Dougher  
Larry Dougher shared a Powerpoint and went over the various aspects of the 5 Year Maintenance Plan for the building. There were some questions about the tractor, which Larry answered. See Items for Action b).

#### VIII. **ITEMS FOR ACTION**

- a) The following *resignations/retirements* were accepted.  
Zach Shambo - Music Teacher - Resignation  
Megan Shambo - SEI - Resignation  
Theresa White - Retirement  
Annemarie Redmond asked for a motion concerning the resignation/retirement of the above staff. Jacqui Antonivich made a motion to accept the resignation and/or retirement of Zach Shambo, Megan Shambo and Theresa White. Jaimie Turner seconded this motion. NFD. All in favor. This motion was approved.
- b) *Funds Moved From Capital Reserve Funds*  
Annemarie Redmond asked for a motion concerning moving funds from the Capital Reserve Fund for FY23. Mark Yuengling made a motion to move \$113, 000 from the Capital Reserve Fund for FY23. Jaimie Turner seconded this motion. NFD. All in favor. This motion was approved.
- c) *Hicks Nichols Grants*  
Annemarie Redmond asked for a motion concerning the Hicks Nichols Grants for Maker Space and Playground Equipment as presented by the Hicks Nichols Committee. Jacqui Antonivich made a motion to approve the Hicks Nichols Grants for Maker Space and Playground Equipment in the amount of \$38,945 as presented by the Hicks Nichols Committee. Nichole Gagnon seconded this motion. NFD. All in favor. This motion was approved.

#### IX. **SETTING THE NEXT AGENDA**

The Board will meet on June 9, 2022

- a) Update from John Arrison on Education Legislation that was passed.
- b) Community Outreach - Dinner Update
- c) Mario Bevacqua Scholarship
- d) New Interim Superintendent
- e) Test Scores

#### X. **EXECUTIVE SESSION** - VSA.T11 Section 313 - Personnel

Annemarie Redmond asked for a motion to go into Executive Session. Nichole Gagnon made a motion to go into Executive Session. Mark Yuengling seconded this motion. NFD. This motion was approved. The Board went into Executive Session at 7:30 p.m. Annemarie Redmond asked for a motion to come out of

Executive Session. Mark Yuengling made a motion to come out of Executive Session. Nichole Gagnon seconded. NFD. All in favor. The Board came out of Executive Session at 7:59 p.m.

XI. **ADJOURNMENT**

Annemarie Redmond asked for a motion concerning adjournment. Mark Yuengling made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Nichole Gagnon seconded this motion. NFD. All in favor. The meeting was adjourned at 8:00PM.

Respectfully submitted,  
Becky Chrisinger