

“Unapproved”
CABOT SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF DIRECTORS’ BOARD MEETING
Monday, August 22, 2022
Cabot School – In person & Zoom
6:00 p.m.

Call to order at 6:00 PM by Rory Thibault

In attendance: Chris Tormey, Rory Thibault, Frank Kampf, Jason Monaco, Superintendent Mark Tucker, Principal Rebecca Tatistcheff **Absent:** Ellen Cairns

Member of Public: Amy Hornblas – Did a mask (bubbles) presentation

Consent Agenda:
Meeting Minutes from

- July 25, 2022

A **motion** to accept the minutes by Frank Kampf and seconded by Chris Tormey. Motion passed.

Frank asked about enrollment deadlines and when the school has a solid number. Currently at 164 for students in the school.

Principal Report – some points noted

- Becca shared with the board communications that have gone out to student and staff members for this week.
- Teachers came back to school on August 15th to get ready for the year and for some professional development. Teachers are gaining tools/practices for handling difficult situations.
- Working on the report cards and the grading system.
- Playground update will be used as class project.
- Open circle will start the school year and a schoolwide hike.
- Students will be eased into the first full day.

Question on assessment system – proficiency-based grading. Discussion that it can be hard to understand how the student is doing. Becca addressed the subject and how the schools handle it. It is important that the students and parents understand the grading system and the requirements to graduate.

Question on playground – getting the plans/designs, pricing and building materials. Students gave their design ideas and information on what they would like. Grades 3 & 4 will pick and choose from the designs on what they would like to see built first.

Superintendent Report – Mark Tucker was present to go over his report.

- Going back to having the school nurses to make health decisions at their schools.
- Did receive the \$79k grant for Nurse Coordinator. Hired a third LNA, this ensures all schools will have full coverage each day.
- Cabot School received an unsolicited \$40k grant from Vermont Afterschool program.
- Inclusive education project – presentation will be put together for the district boards.

Board Discussion

Board discussion on communications to parents/community on disciplinary/behavior procedures. Discussion on having a community discussion so that community members know the procedures and tiers of disciplinary protocols that the school follows. It is important for the community to understand the culture that Cabot School strives to have. The school has procedures in place, and they are followed based on the behavior and the discipline that goes along with that behavior.

A **motion** to adjourn by Frank Kampf and seconded by Chris Tormey. Motion passed.

Minutes Respectfully Submitted,

Nicky Cole