

Approved Minutes  
**Caledonia Central Supervisory Union**  
**PEACHAM SCHOOL DISTRICT**  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS' MEETING  
Monday, November 6, 2023 – 5:30pm  
Peacham School

**Present:** Mark Clough, Cornelia Hasenfuss, Andra Hibbert, Dan Devine, Alex MacLean, Superintendent Mark Tucker, Principal Sam McLeod, Director of Finance Michael Concessi

**Call to Order** by Mark Clough

Additions/Changes to Agenda: none

**Minutes from October 2, 2023**

A **motion** to approve October minutes by Dan Devine and seconded by Andra Hibbert. Motion passed.

**Principal Report** – Sam was present to highlight a few items

- UDL work being done (Universal Design for Learning)
- Peer observation and mentoring
- VIN – Students were treated to a Raptor presentation. Students were captivated by the birds of prey
- Still on track to get doors replaced over the Holidays
- Working on a Thanksgiving food bank giveaway
- Working towards Community meals

Discussion on teacher/staff collaborations and observations.

**Preliminary Budget FY25** – Michael Concessi was present to go over the draft budget. FY25 budget is currently up \$385,249 from FY24. Driving factors for the increase are:

- Tuition
- Assessments (Sped, Food Service, Transportation, Superintendent's office)
- Afterschool Program – No longer grant funded
- Health care increases

Board discussion on increases. Michael showed the breakdown for each category.

Signed a new contract for bus services – those costs have gone up across the board. Sam noted that Butlers have been good to work with so far. It was noted that in the contract it is stated the district has final approval of all drivers.

Mark Tucker talked about the 21C grant for afterschool funding. At this point it looks like only Cabot would qualify for the grant.

The current FY25 budget has a built in \$45,060 for an afterschool program – locally funded. Afterschool program is highly utilized. Discussion on different funding sources/ways and amounts per student if program is partially funded by individual families. The board is leaning towards being funded fully through the budget – no cost passed to families.

Still waiting on some State figures before the budget can be finalized. Those should be released in December.

**Superintendent Report** - Mark Tucker was present

- Mark is back part time
- VASBO conference coming up
- Did some training on online hoaxes etc. It was noted that intentional shooters do not state when and where they plan to attack.
- Facility report was released. Need to see what Peacham actually needs.

**Student Service Report** – no discussion

**VSBA Update** (Discussion) - table to a future meeting

**PES Food Update** (Discussion) - students have choices. Certain things are out of the school's control – they need to meet standards.

**CCSU Update** – A subcommittee was created for the Superintendent Search.

Public Comment – none

A **motion** to adjourn by Alex MacLean and seconded by Cornelia Hasenfuss. Motion passed.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Nicky Cole