

AGENDA
Calais School Committee
Monday, June 24, 2024
Calais Middle/High School
Library 6:00 p.m.
Or Join through Zoom
Topic: School Board Meeting

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Meeting ID: 479 078 3101
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Committee Members: Chairman – Nicholas Barnett, _____ Vice Chair – Christopher Niles, _____ Tomi Ellsmore, _____, Casey Carr, _____, Madison McVicar, _____.

I. Call to Order/Introductions: 6:00 p.m. Pledge of Allegiance/Moment of Silence

II. Consent Agenda

A. Adjustments to the Agenda

Motion _____ Second _____ Vote _____

B. Approval of the Minutes of the June 12, 2024 meeting

Motion _____ Second _____ Vote _____

III. Public Participation

IV. Administrative Reports

Superintendent of Schools- *Mary Anne Spearin*
Director of Special Education – *Tennille Hallowell*
Calais Middle/High School Principal –
Calais Middle/High School Vice Principal/ AD – *Kati Grass*
St. Croix Regional Technical Center Director – *Stanley Sluzenski*
Calais Elementary School/ Calais Alternative School Principal – *Sue Carter*
Calais Alternative School Vice Principal – *Vanessa Flood*

V. Student Representative Report

VI. Executive Session

- A. To enter Executive Session under 1 M.R.S.A § 405(6)(D) – Labor contract discussion – CSD & CEA Teachers Union

Time in: _____

Time out: _____

- B. To see what action the board wishes to take following executive session

Motion _____ Second _____ Vote _____

VII. New Business

- A. Discussion and adoption of FY25 Budget

Motion _____ Second _____ Vote _____

VIII. Upcoming Meetings

Calais School Committee Meeting – July 10, 2024 at 6 pm
Calais School Committee Meeting – August 14, 2024 at 6 pm

IX. Requested Future Agenda Items

- X. Adjournment _____ p.m.

Motion _____ Second _____ Vote _____

The Calais School Committee met on Wednesday, June 12, 2024 at the Calais Middle/ High School Library. Attending were: Nicholas Barnett – Chair, Tomi Ellsmore, Casey Carr, Madison McVicar, Calais School Committee Student Member and Mary Anne Spearin – Superintendent of Schools.

I. Call to Order/Introductions

Chair Nicholas Barnett called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. and led the board in the Pledge of Allegiance and a Moment of Silence.

II. Consent Agenda

A. No adjustments to the agenda.

B. Motion by Madison McVicar, second by Tomi Ellsmore, unanimous vote to accept the minutes of the May 22, 2024 meeting.

III. Public Participation

None noted

IV. Administrative Reports

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See attached reports

V. Student Representative Report

Noah Hart has now graduated and Leilani Welch will be the student representative for the upcoming meetings.

VI. New Business

A. Motion by Tomi Ellsmore, second by Madison McVicar, unanimous vote to accept the resignation of Dea Swain as Special Education Teacher for Calais Middle School.

B. Motion by Casey Carr, second by Madison McVicar, unanimous vote to accept the resignation of Marc Rohde as Calais High School's Baseball Coach - Marc mentioned: 14 years of past and ongoing support, gratitude for the opportunity, enjoyed valued time here.

- C. Motion by Tomi Ellsmore, second by Madison McVicar, unanimous vote to approve Boys soccer team to move to 8-person.
- D. Motion by Madison McVicar, second by Tomi Ellsmore, unanimous vote to act on the recommendation of the Superintendent to hire Kourtney Shirley as full-time cafeteria worker.
- E. Motion by Tomi Ellsmore, second by Casey Carr, unanimous vote to approve Probationary Contract year 2 for Tyler Cobb along with moving teacher to US History.
- F. Motion by Tomi Ellsmore, second by Casey Carr, unanimous vote to approve Cell Phone Policy: JICJ.
- G. Discussion of summer School Committee Meetings: Starting in July, there will only be one (1) meeting a month during summer vacation.
- H. Discussion of FY25 Budget: Budget will be presented for approval at the upcoming meeting on June 24, 2024.

VII. Upcoming Meetings

Calais School Committee Meeting – June 24, 2024 at 6 pm – Budget Meeting
Calais School Committee Meeting – July 10, 2024 at 6 pm

VIII. Requested Future Agenda Items

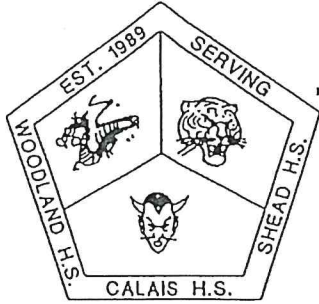
- Vaping Issues

IX. Executive Session

X. Adjournment

Motion by Casey Carr, second by Madison McVicar, unanimous vote to adjourn meeting at 6:48pm.

Mary Anne Spearin, Superintendent of School



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Admin Report to the Calais School Committee
June 12, 2024

The end of the school year is upon us. The seniors have graduated. The underclassmen and exploratory classes have finished their projects and cleaned up the shops/labs for the summer.

We held our senior recognition barbeque on May 24th. Four seniors won baskets full of dorm/apartment supplies and school supplies. Seniors earn entries in the raffle by turning in their exit survey, applying for jobs, colleges, and scholarships, earning a credential, and by completing other activities on their post-secondary pathway. WCCC generously allowed us to use their picnic area and large grill for the barbeque. The weather cooperated and it was great having all of the programs together for a few hours.

We held our CNA pinning ceremony on May 28. The pinning ceremony is a long-standing tradition in the nursing profession. Thirteen students received their CNA pins and over 100 people attended. The CNA students chose Austin Ginn for their guest speaker.

We awarded credentialed pins again this year from SCRTC. The pins were created courtesy of the MELMAC grant. Students are awarded a credentialed pin for earning a certification in their program. This year, over 50 credentials have been earned by our students. They include CNA, AWS welding, BHP Behavioral Health Professional, ASE Automotive in Maintenance and Light Repair, ServSafe Culinary Arts, OSHA 10, and First Aid/CPR. Some students have also earned college credits and all of the credentials will help our students build their career pathways.

We currently have 105 program students signed up for next year. That is on par with previous years and students are continuing to sign up. It does not include the Exploratory classes which will add 30+ students. Brian Duffy is joining St. Croix Tech. He will be teaching an exploratory class called Trades Exploration. Over the next two years he will take on more of the exploratory classes, which will free up the other CTE teachers to dedicate more time to their full time programs.

The SCRTC staff is prepared for the end of the school year, but they will not be idle this summer. In addition to certification courses, staff members have scheduled industry trainings and leadership workshops throughout the summer.

Respectfully,

Stanley Sluzenski

Serving the Students of Calais, Shead, and Woodland High Schools

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STUDENT USE OF CELL PHONES AND OTHER ELECTRONIC DEVICES

The Calais School Committee recognizes that many students possess cell phones and other electronic devices. These devices may not be used in any manner that disrupts the instructional process or violates Calais School Committee policies or school rules.

The Calais School Committee shall not be responsible for the loss, theft or damage to cell phones or other electronic devices that students bring with them to school or school activities or use on school transportation.

The following provisions apply to student use of cell phones and other privately-owned electronic devices:

1. Students are prohibited from using privately-owned electronic devices including but not limited to cell phones, smart watches, tablets, I-Pods, MP3 players, and electronic games at school or at school activities except:
 - a. Prior to the first bell in the morning
 - b. In the lunch room during the students' scheduled lunch period
 - c. After the last bell in the afternoon
 - d. 10-minute break
 - e. When approved by administration
 - f. Electronic device use is prohibited during transition time between classes, breaks and lunch
2. The school supports students taking "on-line courses" both for high school make-up and for college credit using school owned devices. Misuse of the device could result in student no longer being able to take online course.
3. The use of any cameras, including camera phones, is strictly prohibited in locker rooms, bathrooms, and other places where privacy is generally expected.
4. The use of cell phones or other electronic devices in any manner that violates Calais School Committee policy or school rules is prohibited. This includes but is not limited to harassment, cheating and violations of the student code of conduct. If a Calais School Committee policy or school rule is violated, the teacher or school administrator will confiscate the device for the remainder of the school day. Student cell phones and other electronic devices may be subject to search if there is reasonable suspicion of a violation.

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5. Students who violate Calais School Committee policy or school rules will be subject to the following disciplinary consequences:
- a. First offense - student's electronic device is confiscated and turned into the office. The student earns a teacher detention.
 - b. Second offense - student's electronic device is confiscated and turned into the office. The student earns a one-hour detention after school. Phone is returned to the student at the end of the day, and after a phone call to parents/guardian.
 - c. Third offense - The student's electronic device is confiscated and turned into the office. The student is issued an extended detention after school and the office retains the electronic device for five (5) school days or until his/her parent/guardian picks up the device. If the parent/guardian picks the device up prior to the five (5) days, loss of privileges.
 - d. Fourth offense – The student's electronic device is confiscated and turned into the office. A parent meeting with student and administration 30-day loss of privileges if caught with device and sent home for the remainder of the school day and one (1) day in-school suspension.
 - e. Fifth Offense - The student's electronic device is confiscated and turned into the office. Same as previous offense with the in-school suspension increasing by two days for each additional offense.

The Superintendent/designee may develop additional protocols to implement this policy. Failure to comply with the consequences will result in the student being sent home for the remainder of the school day. The policy and rules will be communicated to students and parents through the student handbook and/or the student code of conduct.

Cross Reference:

JIC – Student Code of Conduct
JIH – Questioning and Searches of Students

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