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Caledonia Central Supervisory Union
Peacham School Board Meeting
Monday, December 2, 2024 – 5:30 PM
Location- In person & Zoom

Call to order by Mark Clough

In attendance: Mark Clough, Andra Hibbert, Dan Devine, Alex MacLean, Principal Sam McLeod, Asst Superintendent Mike Moriarty, Director of Finance Michael Concessi

Michael Concessi – noted that the budget is still waiting on figures from the State. Once the State rates/figures are released, they can meet on the budget.

Additions: Discussion regarding the children's program – summer usage. Add Executive Session regarding early retirement incentive.

Minutes from November 4, 2024 – A **motion** to approve the minutes by Andra Hibbert and seconded by Dan Devine. Motion passed.

Principal Report – Sam McLeod highlighted a few items

- Classrooms have student lead projects to service their community and school.
- Food pantry is busy, doing some home deliveries.
- Community dinner is taking place this week.
- Staff working with peers on UDL.

Superintendent Report – Mike Moriarty highlighted a few items

- First strategic design meeting was held. First meeting was well attended. One of the main goals was to get feedback on the impact of societal changes. Three from Peacham attend. Would like to see more student participation.
- Fact finding is in full swing for the support staff negotiations. Hopefully will see recommendations by the new year.

Student Services Report – Mike wanted to note that Vicki Hummer is doing a fantastic job while Allie Monahan is out on leave.

Board Resolution Process – Board discussion regarding what being a small community school means. Board members shared their thoughts on the benefits of a small community school and the characteristics of a small school. Logistics and community involvement are big benefits. The community involvement creates a unique environment. Small schools can shift accordingly to societal needs. Well run small schools are important.

Board letter for the Annual Town Report – Andra Hibbert will do the letter.

VSBA Update – Public school commission recommendations.
Concerns around thoughts regarding small schools.
Also concerns around title and special ed funding at the federal level.
Potential of mental health care at the school level being handled by contracted services. This could be beneficial due to being available year-round.

A **motion** to go into Executive Session by Dan Devine and seconded by Alex MacLean. Motion passed.
Out of Executive Session. No decisions made.

Public Comment – none

Children's Center – Looking to use the school on a broader scale next summer. The center will cover any costs. No objections from the board.

No energy updates.
Board discussion on items needed to have Peacham School as a shelter. Potential for a grant to help with supplies.

Future Agenda Items:
Shelter needs
Screen time/tech discussion
Budget updates

A **motion** to adjourn by Mark Clough . Motion approved.

Minutes respectfully submitted by,
Nicky Cole