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**CABOT SCHOOL BOARD MEETING MINUTES**  
**Monday, December 4, 2017**  
**Cabot School Library**

**Present:** Chris Tormey, Rory Thibault, Sharon O'Connor, Lisa Olson and Jackie Folsom **Student Representatives:** Callahan Burke, Taylor Abbott and Cameron Mueller-Harder **Administration:** Mark Tucker, Dave Schilling and Christina Kimball

**Call to order:** Chris Tormey, Chair called the meeting to order at 6:03 pm.

**Consent Agenda**

- a. Approve November 20, 2017 Minutes - Sharon made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. Lisa seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

**Public Comment** Karen Larsen shared her gratitude that Advantage Cabot is in the boards AGS proposal. She shared her thoughts about the indemnification and liability issues. She explained the application and admission process. The Advantage Cabot group is applying for tax exemption status. She handed out a draft for roles and responsibilities. Mr. Daniels shared that the second informational meeting is next Tuesday December 12<sup>th</sup> at 7pm at the Willey Building.

**Board Discussion**

- a. FY19 Budget Review Draft #2– Christina handed out the second draft of the FY19 budget. The current budget is up from FY18 by 11.93%. This draft of the budget includes reinstating the high school faculty to full time and adding a design tech position. The second draft also includes a bond payment for a new roof on the gym. There are many unknown factors at this point, such as equalized pupils, CLA and many of the state revenues.
- b. Review facility estimates for budgeting – Christina handed out the facility plan for FY19. The plan includes updates to the locker rooms, flooring in the middle school and Library, and air handler controls.
- c. Review AGS Draft – Chris passed out a summary of the draft, and led a discussion and answered questions. The full (not final) draft will be posted on the school website (cabotschool.org) later in the week.

**Reports**

- a. Student Report – The students shared that basketball has started, there is a scrimmage on Wednesday and Friday is the first game. They reported that parent teacher conferences went well. The first read through of Mary Poppins was yesterday. The students wanted to thank Claire Greene for her support of the seniors and the college application process.
- b. Principal Report – Cabot LEADS has launched, grades 5 through 8 have a job and mentor assigned to them on campus. 49 kids are participating. Nene Riley has been a huge driving force of the program.
- c. Superintendent Report – Mark reported that the shared bus driver/custodian position has been filled. Mark also reported that he has a meeting with Rebecca Holcomb and the director of DCF based on his Special Education report that he submitted. Mark Mooney, MJ Wright, Mark Tucker and Monica Morrissey attended Every Student Succeeds Act training.

**Board Discussion**

- a. Transgender & Gender Non-Conforming Students Policy – Second Reading  
Chris asked if there were any additional questions from the Board regarding this proposed policy. There were none.
- b. Discuss Board position on certain aspects of the Advantage Cabot proposal  
Mark passed out a summary memo from attorney Pietro Lynn, which outlines areas of future discussion with the Advantage Cabot Board regarding liability for students recruited by that Board to attend Cabot High

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School. The Board later agreed that this discussion would be on the agenda for the December 18 Board meeting.

**Board Action**

- a. Act on Transgender & Gender Non-Conforming Students Policy –  
Chris moved, and Jackie seconded, to approve the draft policy for Transgender & Non-Gender Conforming Students. The motion passed unanimously.

**Adjournment**

The meeting adjourned at 8:40pm

Respectfully Submitted,

Christina Kimball