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**CABOT SCHOOL BOARD
MEETING MINUTES
Monday, February 1, 2016**

PRESENT: Chris Tormey, Lisa Olson, Ry Hoffman, Jackie Folsom **Administrators:** Nancy Thomas, Superintendent; David Schilling, Principal **Student Representatives:** Megan Walker, Isabella McCallum
Absent: Sharon O'Connor, Alisha Celley

Call to Order: Chris Tormey, Chair called the meeting to order at 6:05pm.

Public Comment: None

Consent Agenda

- a. Approve January 18, 2016 Minutes – Jackie moved to approve the minutes of January 18th. Chris seconded the motion. Minutes approved as written.

Reports

- a. Student Report – Isabella McCallum, Megan Walker
 - Last Thursday was the first Winter Wellness day. Students could downhill ski at Burke Mountain, cross country skiing in Craftsbury or stay at school and study.
 - Students went to Norwood, MA and attended the League of Innovative Schools Regional Meeting. Students from the Limes presented and shared information and feedback about how project based learning has impacted them.
 - The Limes performed at Walden School and will receive payment for their performance.
- b. Superintendent Report – Nancy Thomas
 - Nancy met with Tamara Feldman and Becky Nally. They will be the coordinators for community engagement.
 - Work at central office is still continuing on the FY17 budget and possible changes in numbers.
- d. Principal Report – David Schilling
 - LIS presentation was incredible and students were very well-spoken.
 - During the most recent early release day faculty met to discuss how the SBAC testing will take place this year.
 - High School Students have been paired up with Elementary Students for reading buddies.

Board Discussion

- a. Act 46 Study Committee Update
 - Nancy shared the minutes from the most recent Cabot/Twinfield Study Committee Meeting.
 - Chris then discussed a few options that might be proposed if Cabot and Twinfield were to merge.
 - Cabot and Twinfield Union Districts become one district and have middle school and high schools at Twinfield and Elementary Students at Cabot.
 - Each School maintains Pre-K-5 or 6: Middle School Campus at Cabot and High School at TUS.

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- PK-12 in new building.
 - PK-8 at Twinfield, 9-12 at Cabot Pre-K at each school.
- b. Legislative update regarding Act 46 Thresholds
- Nancy shared handouts with the current calculations for the Act 46 Thresholds.
 - The property yield is still subject to change.
- c. Preparation for Information Session and Town Meeting
- The information session is scheduled for February 15, 2016.
 - The board will share the goals from the previous year and where they are in achieving those goals.
 - There will be information about the proposed budget.
 - A slide on how the budget will impact the tax rate will be included.
 - Information about Act 46 and work being done with study committees will be part of the presentation.

Board Action: None

Executive Session: None

Adjournment: Meet was adjourned at 7:15pm.

Respectfully Submitted

Amanda LeBlanc, Transcriber