

APPROVED

**CABOT SCHOOL BOARD
MEETING MINUTES
Monday, July 28, 2016**

PRESENT: Chris Tormey, Jackie Folsom, Sharon O'Connor, Ry Hoffman, Lisa Olson; **Administration:** Nancy Thomas, Superintendent; David Schilling, Principal

Call to Order: Chris Tormey, Chair called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Public Comment

None

Consent Agenda

- a. Approve June 20, 2016 Minutes – Jackie moved to accept the minutes as written, Sharon seconded, Ry abstained. Minutes approved as written.

Board Discussion

- a. 706 Committee (Merger) Member Selection
- Nancy let the Board know the names of the individuals chosen by the Danville and Twinfield Boards.
 - Chris asked the Board to identify priorities they would like the 706 Committee to be aware of.
 - Lisa would like to have high school students have at least 2 options for high school such as arts infused or academically intensive.
 - Sharon would like to make sure that options and quality are at least as good as it is now.
 - Jackie wants to be sure that curriculum is coordinated across the schools.
 - Dave spoke to the proficiencies and transferable skills that will be consistent.
 - Jackie is concerned about the commitment to having the gym's continuing availability for the school and community.
 - Jackie expressed concern regarding Cabot representation on the new Board.
 - Ry wants to be sure that the benefits to the students as well as cost are addressed.
 - Jackie asked: could savings on the tax rate be put into the gym facility?
 - Ry wants to be sure that the outcome assures improvement to the already positive benefits to our students.
 - Jackie suggested scheduling additional board meetings during the 706 process for community, staff and Board updates and input into the process.
 - Nancy shared that the Community Engagement grant could assist with that process.
 - Chris spoke to the magnet concept that could improve options for everyone and the need to recognize that there will need to be creative changes that will make improvements over the long term – not just four years of tax credits while maintaining the status quo.

Board Action

- a. Appoint 706 Committee Members
- Jackie moved that Chris and Ry be appointed to the 706 Committee. Sharon seconded. Motion approved.

Adjournment : 6:58 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Nancy Thomas