

REGIONAL SCHOOL UNIT NO. 40
MAINE SCHOOL ADMINISTRATIVE DISTRICT NO. 40

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Karen Etheridge, Director of Special Services

Board of Directors Meeting
Thursday, October 2, 2014
Medomak Middle School

MINUTES

School Board Members: Erik Amundsen, Guy Bourrie, Theodore Brown, Ann Donaldson, Dana Dow, Danny Jackson, Robert Jones, Lynda Letteney, Margaret Massengale, William Moody, Sandra O'Farrell, Errol Silvestri, Brooke Simmons, Robert Williams, Dennis Wooster

Administrators: Steve Nolan, Andrew Cavanaugh, Karen Etheridge, Deb Howard, Justin Kangas, Christina Labbe, Julia Levensaler, Karla Miller, Steve Ocean, Kate Race, Kim Schroeter, Susan Taylor, Linda Trenholm, Harold Wilson

Student Representative(s): Sophie Cohen, Aaron Smeltzer

Others Present: See Attached Sign-in Sheet

I. Opening

- A. The meeting was called to order by Chair Danny Jackson at 7:02 p.m.
1. Pledge of Allegiance
 2. Declaration of Quorum: 931 out of 931
 3. Note Absences –
 4. Adjustments to the Agenda
 - i. Approve student representatives for 2014-15 school year - Sophie Cohen, Aaron Smeltzer and Patrick White - alternate
 - ii. Hold off on Audience with the Public until the person arrives who would like to address the School Board

II. Introductions of School Board Members

- A. Members of the board introduced themselves to the new board member from Warren, Sara Andrews whom will be sworn in for the next meeting.

III. Consent Agenda

Motion to approve the minutes of September 18, 2014: Dennis Wooster
Second: Maggie Massengale Vote: 889 – 0 – 42

IV. Audience with the Public

Elizabeth Lally, from Warren, spoke on 1) having a later school start time for middle school and high school students, and 2) to think about a district-wide policy on recess time and not using recess time for disciplinary action or for teachers to speak with their students but to allow students to have this time to exercise and play.

Dana Dow stepped aside as a board member and addressed the board on the new way of grading and testing students.

- V. Approve student representatives for 2014-15 school year - Sophie Cohen, Aaron Smeltzer and Patrick White - alternate

Motion: Guy Bourrie

Second: Dennis Wooster

Vote: 931 – 0 – 0

VI. Superintendent and/or Chair Reports

A. Superintendent's Report

1. Notification of Resignations
 - i. Carolyn Holmes – Ed Tech I LEAD program – MVHS
 - ii. Katie Nicholls – Ed Tech II LEAD program – Miller School
2. Research Base – Professional Learning Communities

B. Board Chair's Report

1. See attached report

C. Business Manager's Report

2. See attached report
3. Financing will be through Androscoggin Bank for 15 years
4. Roof work has begun at Warren Community School

D. Student Representative(s) Report

5. Introduced Sophie Cohen to the board
6. Discussed Spirit Week events
7. Race Against Bullying raised over \$1,000
8. Football Friday night, under the lights, beginning at 7:00 p.m. with a bon fire to follow

VII. Presentations – MVHS Leadership Team

VIII. Reports from Schools

- A. Medomak Middle School – Kate Race shared a photo that the middle school presented to Bob England on his last day as Assistant Principal. Kate also spoke about providing students with “fresh air time” during lunch hour for all students.
- B. Warren Community School – Deb Howard spoke about the roofing project.
- C. Miller School – Julia Levensaler informed the school board that she has already signed up 2 students for Pre-K next year.
- D. Special Education – Karen Etheridge discussed the audit that the Special Education program went through during the past school year.

IX. Educational Issues

X. Action Items

A. Policies for 1st reading

Motion: Guy Bourrie Second: Maggie Massengale

1. Revision JFAB-E Admission of Non Resident Students
2. Revision JJIAA Private/Charter Schools – Access to Public School Co-Curricular, Interscholastic and Extra-Curricular Activities

3. Required new ACAA-R Student Discrimination and Harassment Complaint Procedure

Upon a motion by Bob Jones and second by Brooke Simmons, the board voted to amend the motion to table policy #3 ACAA-R Student Discrimination and Harassment Complaint Procedure Vote: 170 – 761 – 0

Back to the original motion Vote: 761 – 170 – 0

B. Approve polices for deletion

1. Delete EFG Nutritional Guidelines
2. Delete EF Lunch Program

Motion: Guy Bourrie Second: Errol Silvestri Vote: 931 – 0 – 0

C. Motion to approve Danny Jackson as delegate and Ann Donaldson as alternate delegate to the MSBA Delegate Assembly

Motion: Sandra O’Farrell Second: Maggie Massengale Vote: 931 – 0 – 0

XI. Committee Reports

- A. Personnel Committee – October 8th @ 7:00 p.m. – MMS**
- B. Curriculum Committee – October 8th @ 5:30 p.m. – MMS**
- C. Facilities/Transportation Committee – October 2nd @ 5:30 p.m. – MMS and October 9th @ 4:00 p.m. @ MVHS**
- D. Finance Committee – October 14th @ 5:30 p.m. – Central Office**
- E. Negotiations Committee – TBA**
- F. Policy Committee – October 21st @ 5:00 p.m. – MMS**
- G. Region 8 Committee – October 29th @ 7:00 p.m. – MCST Rockland**
- H. Technology Committee – TBA**
- I. Many Flags Committee – October 9th @ 6:30 p.m. – Rockland, Main Street**
- J. Safe Schools – October 21st @ 3:30 p.m. - MMS**

XII. Executive Session 1 MRSA § 405 (6) (A) Personnel

Motion: Guy Bourrie Second: Maggie Massengale Vote: 931 – 0 – 0

Time In: 9:00 p.m.

Time Out: 9:05 p.m.

XIII. Action as the Result of Executive Session

There was no action as a result of Executive Session.

XIV. Other Items/Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 9:05 p.m.

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