

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

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Board of Directors Meeting
Thursday, September 4, 2014
Medomak Middle School

MINUTES

School Board Members: Erik Amundsen (left at 7:50 p.m.), 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, Karen Etheridge, Deborah Howard, Christina Labbe, Julia Levensaler, Casey Lufkin, Karla Miller, Katherine Race, Kimberly Schroeter, Harold Wilson, Christina Wotton

Others Present: See Attached Sign-in Sheet

I. Opening

- A. The meeting was called to order by Chair Danny Jackson at 7:02 pm
1. Pledge of Allegiance
 2. Declaration of Quorum: 931 – 0
 3. Note Absences – N/A
 4. Adjustments to the Agenda
 - i. The Executive Session at the end of the Agenda is not needed

II. Audience with the Public

The Board and Administrators introduced themselves.

III. Consent Agenda

Motion to approve the minutes of August 21, 2014: Dennis Wooster
Second: Sandra O'Farrell Vote: 931 – 0

IV. Superintendent and/or Chair Reports

A. Superintendent's Report

1. Notification of Resignations
 - a. Gretchen Dean – Ed Tech III – Miller School
 - b. We have hired 27 teachers and 16 ed techs this year
2. Steve discussed Visible Learning by John Hattie

B. Board Chair's Report

1. Danny informed the Board that teacher negotiations will begin

September/October and anyone willing to serve on the negotiating committee should let him know.

2. The Region 8 community forum will be held October 15th at 7:00 p.m.
3. Danny read a thank you note from Joan Benner.

C. Business Manager's Report

Financials – will be sent out for the next meeting

D. Student Representative's Report

Freshmen orientation was held on Tuesday with PAWS helping out. Wednesday Mr. Cavanaugh did the ice bucket challenge in front of the senior class. Friday night there will be a freshmen PAWS barbeque dance. This past Tuesday, MVHS won its first golf match in three years.

V. Presentations – N/A

VI. Reports from Schools

VII. Educational Issues –

The Board will be receiving an update of School Report Card grades at a later meeting.

VIII. Action Items

A. Review superintendent nominations

- a. Eva Benner – Grade 6 Teacher – Union Elementary School

Motion: Dennis Wooster Second: Maggie Massengale

Vote: 931 – 69 (Tod Brown)

- b. David Melgard – Math Teacher – Medomak Valley High School

Motion: Dennis Wooster Second: Maggie Massengale Vote: 931 – 0

- c. Lowell Jones – Rivers Alternative Education Teacher – Medomak Middle School

Motion: Dennis Wooster Second: Maggie Massengale Vote: 931 – 0

B. Policies for 1st reading

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

- a. Revision BDE – Board Committees Revised
- b. New JL – Suicide Awareness and Prevention
- c. New JRA – Student Education Records and Information
- d. Old JRA – Student Records – delete upon adoption of new JRA

C. Rescind the vote to allow the administration to approve the MVHS Program of Studies in the future, and expunge it from the record of March 6, 2014 by having a line drawn through the record item

Motion: Guy Bourrie Second: Brooke Simmons

Vote: 876 – 0 – 73 (William Moody)

Move that the Board allow the administration to provide changes to the program of study booklet so the Board can approve the courses of study

Motion: Lynda Letteney Second: Sandra O'Farrell Vote: 664 – 194 (Guy Bourrie, Robert Jones, Brooke Simmons, Errol Silvestri) – 73 (William Moody)

- D. Review and approve the Medomak Middle School 7th grade field trip to Schoodic Education and Research Center

Motion: Ann Donaldson Second: Maggie Massengale Vote: 876 – 0

IX. Committee Reports

- A. **Personnel Committee – September 17 @ 5:30 p.m. – MMS**
- B. **Curriculum Committee – September 10 @ 7:00 p.m. – MMS**
- C. **Facilities-Transportation Committee – September 11 @ 4:00 p.m. – FVS**
- D. **Finance Committee – September 9 @ 5:30 p.m. – Central Office**
- E. **Negotiations Committee — TBD**
- F. **Policy Committee – September 16 @ 5:00 p.m. – MMS**
- G. **Region 8 Committee – September 24 @ 7:00 p.m. – MCST, Rockland**
- H. **Technology Committee — TBD**
- I. **Many Flags Committee – September 11 @ 6:00 p.m. – Rockland, Main Street**
- J. **Safe Schools – September 16 @ 3:30 p.m. - MMS**

X. Other Items/Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 7:57 p.m.

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