

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

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Board of Directors Meeting Minutes
Thursday, March 5, 2015
7:00 p.m.
Medomak Middle School – Waldoboro

School Board Members: Erik Amundsen, Sara Andrews, Guy Bourrie, Tod Brown, Ann Donaldson, Dana Dow, Danny Jackson, Lynda Letteney, Bill Moody, Sandra O' Farrell, Brooke Simmons, Bob Williams, Dennis Wooster

Administrators: Beth Ahlholm, Andrew Cavanaugh, Justin Kangas, Christina Labbe, Matt Lash, Julia Levensaler, Karla Miller, Steve Nolan, Kate Race, Kim Schroeter, Susan Taylor, Linda Trenholm, Christina Wotton

Student Representatives: Sophie Cohen, Aaron Smeltzer

I. Opening

A. Call to Order – 7:07 p.m.

1. Pledge of Allegiance
2. Declaration of Quorum – 834 out of 931
3. Note Absences – Errol Silvestri, Robert Jones
4. Adjustments to the Agenda
 - i. Move Presentation before Audience with the Public
 - ii. Add an Executive Session for Personnel after Negotiations

V. Presentations – Recognize Medomak Middle School Basketball teams – 7th Grade

II. Audience with the Public – Beth Fisher

- i. Report of status on STEM
- ii. Education issues of Region 8 – When the board discusses Region 8 under Educational Issues Beth would like approval for her and Suzanne Hall to be able to participate.
- iii. Skills USA occurring in Bangor

III. Consent Agenda – Approve minutes of January 22, 2015

Motion to approve minutes of January 22, 2015: Lynda Letteney Second: Dennis Wooster Vote: 834 – 0 – 0

IV. Superintendent and/or Chair Reports

A. Superintendent's Report

B. Board Chair's Report

1. Key Work of School Boards Guide Book – Chapter 5

C. Business Manager's Report

Karla updated the Board on snow removal

D. Student Representative(s) Report

VI. Reports from Schools

VII. Educational Issues – Region 8

Guy Bourrie requested a motion to establish an Ad Hoc committee with RSU 40 and Region 8 be on the next agenda.

Move that we send a second cohort of our students to participate in what I believe is one of the best program we have to enhance student achievement: Guy Bourrie Second: Dana Dow Vote: 363 – 398 – 73

VIII. Action Items

A. Approve contract renewals for administrators covered under the administrator group bargaining agreement

2-year Contract

Cavanaugh, Andrew
Etheridge, Karen
Hall-Taylor, Susan
Howard, Deborah
Kangas, Justin
Lash, Matthew
Levensaler, Julia
Lufkin, Casey
Philbrook, Tamra
Race, Kate
Trenholm, Linda
Wilson, Harold
Wotton, Christina

1-year Contract

Labbe, Christina

Motion to approve as a group:

Motion: Ann Donaldson Second: Sandra O'Farrell Vote: 668 – 97 – 69

Motion to amend to vote separately:

Motion: Brooke Simmons Second: Guy Bourrie Vote: 235 – 530 – 69

Motion failed – back to original motion to approve as a group.

B. Approve Friday, March 13, 2015 as an early release day instead of a full workshop day to make up one school cancelation day.

Motion: Guy Bourrie Second: Sandra O'Farrell Vote: 834 – 0 – 0

Motion to a full student day: Dennis Wooster

Second: Sara Andrews Vote: 317 – 517 – 0 - failed

Motion failed – back to original motion to approve

C. Approve Senior trip to Sunday River on March 13 – 14, 2015

Motion: Lynda Letteney Second: Ann Donaldson Vote: 834 – 0 – 0

D. Approve music students attending Boston Pops Concert on May 23, 2015

Motion: Lynda Letteney Second: Sandra O'Farrell Vote: 834 – 0 – 0

E. Approve Medomak Middle School trip to Boston, MA on June 4 – 5, 2015

Motion: Guy Bourrie Second: Lynda Letteney Vote: 834 – 0 – 0

F. Approve policies for 1st reading

1. ADF – Commitment to Learning Results – Parameters of Essential Instruction
2. DIA – Internal Controls
3. JJI – Student Athletics
4. BCB – Board Member Conflict of Interest – Nepotism
5. JKF – Disciplinary Removal of Students with Disabilities

Motion: Guy Bourrie Second: Ann Donaldson Vote: 792 – 42 – 0

G. Approve policy for 1st and 2nd reading

1. DJ – Purchasing procedures

Motion: Guy Bourrie Second: Ann Donaldson Vote: 834 – 0 – 0

H. Approve policy for deletion

1. BD – Organization of the Board of Directors

Motion: Guy Bourrie Second: Ann Donaldson Vote: 834 – 0 – 0

I. Approve \$1,250 donation from Camden National Bank to pay for student tickets for MVHS students to attend the state championship basketball game

Motion: Guy Bourrie Second: Sandra O'Farrell Vote: 761 – 0 – 73

IX. Committee Reports

A. Finance Committee – March 10th @ 5:00 p.m. – Central Office

B. Curriculum Committee – March 11th @ 5:30 p.m. – MMS

C. Facilities-Transportation Committee – March 12th @ 3:00 p.m. – Central Office

D. Many Flags Committee – March 12th @ 6:30 p.m. –Rockland, Main Street

E. Safe Schools – March 17th @ 3:30 p.m. – MMS

F. Policy Committee – March 17th @ 5:00 p.m. – MMS

G. Negotiations Committee – March 18th @ 3:00 p.m. – Central Office

H. Region 8 Committee – March 25th @ 7:00 p.m. – MCST Rockland

I. Personnel Committee – TBA

J. Technology Committee – TBA

X. Executive Session 1 M.R.S.A. § 405 (6) (A) Personnel

Motion: Guy Bourrie Second: Dennis Wooster Vote: 834 – 0 – 0
Time In: 9:12 p.m.
Time Out: 9:35 p.m.

XI. Action as the Result of Executive Session – none

XII. Executive Session 1 M.R.S.A. § 405 (6) (A) (D) Negotiations with MVEA

Motion: Guy Bourrie Second: Dennis Wooster Vote: 834 – 0 – 0
Time In: 9:36 p.m.
Time Out: 9:42 p.m.

XIII. Action as the Result of Executive Session – none

XIV. Adjournment – 9:42 p.m.

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