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Curriculum Committee Meeting Thursday, January 9, 2020 Medomak Middle School 5:00 p.m.

Committee Members: Sara Andrews, Guy Bourrie, Morgan Hynd, Errol Silvestri, Emily Trask-Eaton, Bob Williams and Melvin Williams

Ex-Officio Members: Danny Jackson/Board Chair, Steve Nolan/Superintendent, Christina Wotton/Director of Instruction and Linda Pease/Principal Medomak Valley High School

Minutes

I. Call to Order at 5:02 p.m.

- A. Declaration of Quorum
- B. Note Absences: Emily Trask-Eaton
- C. Approve Minutes from December 12, 2019 (Guy Bourrie made a motion to approve, Melvin Williams seconded this motion. Sara Andrews, Morgan Hynd, Guy Bourrie, Bob Williams, and Melvin Williams voted to approve. Errol Silvestri and Danny Jackson abstained.)

II. Action Items

- A. No action items to report.

III. Other Items

- A. McKinney-Vento Act for homeless students - Christina Wotton reviewed the act with the committee to better inform them of the rights of children experiencing homelessness.
- B. Knox County Homeless Coalition - Becca Gildred, Director of Development for Knox County Homeless Coalition (KCHC) shared information about the programs of KCHC, they are listed below. The number one reason for homelessness in the mid-coast is the lack of safe and affordable housing. KCHC provides case management for families and connects them with emergency services. They also have a donation center for families that have found safe and affordable housing.
 - a) Hospitality House: A family shelter with 22 beds and 50% are school aged children or younger.
 - b) The Landing Place: A drop-in center for at risk kids, including unaccompanied minors. They offer a variety of programs to support youth as well as serve a warm supper to kids two nights a week.

- c) The Ryan Home Project: This project seeks to establish host homes for unaccompanied minors who need a safe home.
- C. March Curriculum Committee Meeting idea: Christina Wotton recommended the Committee attend the Empty Bowl Supper and the *Why I Matter* exhibit in lieu of the scheduled Committee meeting. The Committee agreed and will attend the Supper on March 12th at 5:00 p.m.
- D. Policy IJJ and IJJ-E: The Committee discussed the policies and Guy Bourrie made a motion to send both to the Policy Committee without corrections for review by that committee. Melvin Williams seconded the motion and the Committee voted unanimously to send the policies to the Policy Committee.
- E. +/-Delta Exercise: Morgan Hynd led the Committee in a +/-Delta exercise and the Committee shared the following: (+) Openness to new topics. Learning about something different. Informative. Super meeting! (Delta) Skipped an agenda item and had to go back after.

IV. Adjourned at 6:36 p.m.

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