

REGIONAL SCHOOL UNIT 40

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Board of Directors Meeting Thursday, March 16, 2017 Union Elementary School

Minutes

School Board Members: Erik Amundsen, Sara Andrews, Guy Bourrie, Jennifer Boynton, Cheryl Cichowski, Seth Hall, Vicki Harriman, Natasha Irving, Danny Jackson, Lynda Letteney, Sandra O'Farrell, Dorothy Robinson, Errol Silvestri, Brooke Simmons, Bob Williams, Dennis Wooster

Student Representatives: Jacob Faria, Lydia Simmons (alternate), Patrick White

I. Opening

A. Call to Order at 7:01 p.m.

1. Pledge of Allegiance
2. Declaration of Quorum – 565 of 1000
3. Note Absences

Excused: Erik Amundsen, Guy Bourrie, Jennifer Boynton, Cheryl Cichowski, Vicki Harriman, Lynda Letteney

Not excused: Seth Hall

4. Adjustments to the Agenda – none

II. Presentations

Medomak Middle School 7th Grade Girls Basketball Team – Busline League Champions

III. Audience with the Public

Rebekah Smith spoke on the Start School Later subject

IV. Consent Agenda – Approve Minutes of March 2, 2017

Motion: Brooke Simmons Second: Bob Williams Vote: 565 – 0 – 0

V. Superintendent and/or Chair Reports

A. Superintendent's Report

B. Board Chair's Report – attached

There will be a special board meeting on March 30th at 7:00 p.m. at Medomak Middle School to discuss Start School Later

C. Business Manager's Report Student Representative(s) Report – attached

VI. Reports from Schools

Andrew Cavanaugh reviewed the Medomak Valley High School NEASC letter with the board.

VII. Educational Issues

Student Achievement Data – MMS and MVHS NWEA

Start School Later – Athletics and Transportation

VIII. Action Items

A. Approve lawn mowing proposal

Recommendation from the facilities/transportation and finance committees to award the three year lawn mowing contract in the amount of \$85,263 to Wayne's Landscaping, LLC

Motion: Brooke Simmons Second: Sandra O'Farrell Vote: 565 – 0 – 0

B. Approve additional projects to the bond list

Recommendation from the facilities/transportation committee to add a feasibility study for Medomak Valley High School (\$22,500) and water treatment system for Medomak Middle School (\$4,000)

Motion: Brooke Simmons Second: Sandra O'Farrell Vote: 496 – 69 – 0
(Dennis Wooster)

C. Approve senior class overnight trip to The Forks, ME on April 27 and 28, 2017

Motion: Brooke Simmons Second: Sandra O'Farrell Vote: 565 – 0 – 0

D. Approve policy for 1st reading

a. AC – Nondiscrimination/Equal Opportunity and Affirmative Action

Motion: Brooke Simmons Second: Dennis Wooster Vote: 565 – 0 – 0

E. Approve policies for 2nd reading

a. EGAD – Copyright Compliance

b. EGAD-R – Copyright Compliance Administrative Procedure

c. GBEC – Drug Free Workplace

Motion: Brooke Simmons Second: Sandra O'Farrell Vote: 565 – 0 – 0

F. Approve policies for deletion

- a. AC-E – Notice of Nondiscrimination
- b. GBGAA – RSU 40/MSAD 40 Blood Borne Pathogens Exposure Control Plan/Policy
- c. GBGD – Workers’ Compensation Return to Work and Light Duty Assignments
- d. GCAA – Director of Instruction
- e. GCAC – Business Manager
- f. GCB – Staff Conduct with Students
- g. GCC – Professional Staff Technology Proficiency

Motion: Brooke Simmons Second: Dorothy Robinson Vote: 565 – 0 – 0

IX. Committee Reports

- A. Policy Committee – April 6th @ 5:30 p.m. – MMS
- B. Facilities-Transportation Committee – April 13th @ 9:00 a.m. – Central Office
- C. Food Service Ad Hoc Committee – April 13th @ 5:00 p.m. – Central Office
- D. Finance Committee – April 13th @ 6:00 p.m. – Central Office
- E. Curriculum Committee – May 18th @ 5:30 p.m. – Union Elementary School

- X. Board Meetings – March 30th @ 7:00 p.m. – Medomak Middle School
April 6th @ 7:00 p.m. – Medomak Middle School

- XI. Region 8 Board – March 22nd @ 7:00 p.m. – MCST
April 6th @ 6:30 p.m. – Budget presentation – MMS

- XII. Adjourned at 8:57 p.m.

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Board Chair Report 03/16/17

- 1) I attended the winter sports awards at MVHS on 03/07/17. It was really nice to see the student athletes being recognized for their hard work.**
- 2) I attended the National Honor Society Induction Ceremony at MVHS on 03/08/17. Congratulations to the new inductees. I would like everyone to know that Jake was one of the new inductees.**
- 3) I was able to attend part of the band concert at MVHS on 03/15/17. I missed the regular band but was able to see the entire jazz band portion of the concert. It was a really great concert.**
- 4) After being asked by Guy, Brooke, and Dennis and in accordance with Policy BE, I need to ask if Board members would be available to attend a special board meeting on 03/30/17 to discuss the later start time issue. In case people don't know, I will read part of Policy BE...It states... The Chair, or any three members of the Board, may call a special meeting of the Board at any time with not less than 48 hours confirmed personal notice to each member readily available to the district. Such notice may be by phone or any other confirmed personal contact. The notice of each special meeting will contain a statement of the specific item or items of business to be transacted, and no other business will be transacted at such meeting. Maybe the possibility of the three local school boards meeting together to discuss this issue.**

Student Rep Report
Jake Faria, Lydia Simmons, Patrick White
3/16/17

Sports

Several of Medomak's seniors have been selected to play at the Midcoast Showcase game to be played at 7:30 PM Saturday at MVHS. On the spring side of things, pitchers and catchers will report for practice for baseball and softball next week, with the rest of the spring sports soon to come.

Drama

The Medomak performance of *Shuddersome: Tales of Poe* placed 3rd at the regional One Act competition, with multiple students receiving individual awards at the end of the weekend. Congratulations to the troupe, and they now prepare for their upcoming Dessert Theater production, which is yet to be determined.

Math Team

Joseph Powell placed 4th in the state at the regional math meet, and the team looks to place well at the state meet in April.

Empty Bowl Supper

The art department finished another successful Empty Bowl Supper, and the jazz/concert band put on a great show. Also, the auction for the Special Olympics was a great success. Thanks to the community for a great showing!

Fundraisers

The sophomore class will be putting on their Picky Paw fundraiser at the end of the month, and the senior class is nearing the end of their popcorn fundraiser.

Poetry Out Loud

Congratulations to Antyna Gould, who placed 5th in the state out of thousands of participants in Maine's Poetry Out Loud competition, representing Medomak extremely well at the Waterville Opera House.

NHS

Several of Medomak's NHS members were able to travel up to Orono to attend the state convention, where they voted to fill the new leadership positions at the state level, got opportunity to listen to some great guest speakers, and participated in some community service activities. In addition, Medomak's recent local NHS induction ceremony was a success.