

## **REGIONAL SCHOOL UNIT 40**

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### **Board of Directors Meeting Thursday, September 21, 2017 Friendship Village School**

#### **Minutes**

**School Board Members:** Erik Amundsen, Sara Andrews, Curt Andrick, Guy Bourrie, Danny Jackson, Lynda Letteney, Sandra O'Farrell, Dorothy Robinson, Errol Silvestri, Brooke Simmons, Matthew Speno, Emily Trask-Eaton, Bob Williams, Melvin Williams, Christopher Young

**Student Representatives:** Lydia Simmons

#### **I. Opening**

##### **A. Call to Order at 7:00 p.m.**

1. Pledge of Allegiance
2. Declaration of Quorum – 945 of 945
3. Note Absences – N/A
4. Adjustments to the Agenda – N/A

#### **II. Presentations**

#### **III. Audience with the Public**

- A. Several members of the audience spoke about the extra state subsidy that the school district will receive this year and their opinion that half of the amount should be given back to the taxpayers. One person was thankful that adult volleyball will back at Warren Community School.

#### **IV. Consent Agenda – Approve Minutes of September 7, 2017 as amended**

Motion: Guy Bourrie                      Second: Melvin Williams                      Vote: 848 – 0 – 97  
(Erik Amundsen, Brooke Simmons)

#### **V. Superintendent and/or Chair Reports**

##### **A. Superintendent's Report**

**B. Board Chair's Report – attached**

- Report on *A New Take on School Consolidation workshop*
- Discussion of “No Surprises” protocol from Board workshop info

**C. Business Manager's Report**

**D. Student Representative(s) Report – N/A**

**VI. Reports from Schools**

**VII. Educational Issues**

**VIII. Action Items**

**A. Approve donation of \$1,000 for Miller School playground**

Motion: Brooke Simmons      Second: Sandra O'Farrell      Vote: 945 – 0 – 0

**B. Approve Outdoor Club overnight trip to Maine Sport Lodge on Gay Island**

Motion: Brooke Simmons      Second: Lynda Letteney      Vote: 945 – 0 – 0

**C. Approve policies for 1<sup>st</sup> read:**

1. BCB – Conflict of Interest
2. BEDD – Rules of Order
3. DJ – Bidding/Purchasing Requirements
4. IHBEA – Program for English Learners
5. IHBG – Home Instruction Program
6. IHBGA – Home Schooling – Participation in School Programs

Motion: Guy Bourrie      Second: Brooke Simmons      Vote: 945 – 0 – 0

**D. Approve policies for deletion:**

1. IHBF – Homebound Instruction
2. IHBF-P – Home/Hospital Tutoring
3. IHBE-R – Plans and Procedures for Meeting the Needs of Limited English Proficient Children

Motion: Guy Bourrie      Second: Brooke Simmons      Vote: 945 – 0 – 0

**E. Approve Great Schools Partnership contracts – Parts 1 & 2**

Motion: Lynda Letteney      Second: Brooke Simmons      Vote: 945 – 0 – 0

**F. Approve Matthew Speno as member of Negotiation Committee**

Motion: Lynda Letteney      Second: Curt Andrick      Vote: 890 – 0 – 55  
(Matthew Speno)

**G. Determine if Board would like to continue workshops**

Motion: Brooke Simmons      Second: Melvin Williams

Friendly amendment to add “as needed”: Sandra O'Farrell

Discussion was held on whether or not to have workshops and that members of the Board could call for a special meeting

Erik Amundsen moved the question   Vote: 890 – 0 – 55 (Guy Bourrie)

Vote on amendment: 945 – 0 – 0

**IX. Committee Meetings**

- A. Policy – October 5<sup>th</sup> @ 5:30 p.m. – Medomak Middle School
- B. Facilities – October 12<sup>th</sup> @ 5:00 p.m. – Central Office
- C. Finance – October 12<sup>th</sup> @ 6:00 p.m. – Central Office
- D. Negotiations – September 28<sup>th</sup> @ 5:00 p.m. – Central Office
- E. Curriculum – October 19<sup>th</sup> @ 5:30 p.m. – Prescott Memorial School

**X. Board Meeting – October 5<sup>th</sup> @ 7:00 p.m. – Medomak Middle School**

**XI. Region 8 Board – September 27<sup>th</sup> @ 7:00 p.m. – MCST**

**XII. Adjourned at 8:53 p.m.**

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## **Board Chair Report 09/21/17**

- 1) I'm going to pass around the Board Member list, please look at the list to see if your name, mailing address, and phone numbers are correct. If there are any corrections, please note it on the list.**
- 2) At the Board Meeting on 8/17/17, some board members were given information about Freedom of access training. I asked the members who received it to bring the completed form to the next board meeting. I want to thank Guy for already turning in his form. Do any of the rest of you have it with you tonight?**
- 3) The MSMA conference is on October 26 & 27<sup>th</sup>. At the next board meeting, we will be electing a delegate and alternate delegate for the Delegate Assembly.**
- 4) At the next board meeting we will be voting on who can go to the conference. We have enough in the budget for up to eight board members and two student board members to go. If all three student reps want to go, I will donate the money for a third one to be able to go.**
- 5) Myself, Superintendent, Errol, Lydia, and Mrs. Pease will be conducting student rep interviews on 9/28. We will bring the names of the two new student reps to the board on 10/05 for approval. When I was at the high school last night there were seven students so far who have signed up.**
- 6) I want to remind Board members they need to follow same rules as the public does when it comes to visiting the schools. There is a policy on visiting schools. It is Policy KI.**
- 7) I want to thank the administration and staff at the high school for putting on a nice open house last night. It was nice going around seeing what teachers were working on with their students. It was also nice chatting with different teachers as well. I would encourage board members to attend the open houses at the schools if they are able to as they come up.**
- 8) I've gone to a few fall sports games so far this year. It was nice seeing the great crowd at the football game on homecoming weekend. I saw Lynda, Brooke, and Sara at the game. Thank you for coming.**
- 9) Read thank you notes from scholarship recipients.**