

MINUTES
RSU 13 SCHOOL BOARD MEETING
THURSDAY, APRIL 2, 2015
MCLAIN SCHOOL
6:30PM

1. Chair Roberts called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm and a quorum was declared. Tess Kilgour was excused absent and Noreen Mullaney was absent.
2. The Pledge of Allegiance was conducted.
3. Adjustments to the Agenda:
 - Move Business Item A. Approval of the minutes of the meeting of March 5, 2015, to Consent Agenda Item A (subsequent items re-ordered).
 - Add Business Item E. Appointment of Kim Meuse, Special Education Resource Room Teacher, RDMS
 - Add Business Item F. Approval of an unpaid leave request
4. Public Participation: Citizens are welcome to speak to agenda matters before the Board (up to 30 minutes total)
 - Melissa Stevens: resident of Owls Head; spoke on various uses of technology (announcements on schools' websites, e.g.), promotion of MCST, encouragement of earlier college preparation, and concerns with consolidation.

Chair Roberts recognized Ron Gamage, new board member representing Thomaston.

5. Consent Agenda
 - A. Approval of the minutes of the meeting of March 5, 2015
 - B. Acknowledge the retirement of Barbara Hart, Grade 5 Teacher, RDMS
 - C. Appointment of coaches who are not regular employees:
 - (1) Kerry Ilvonen, 7th Grade Baseball Coach
 - (2) Kara Adolphsen, Varsity Outdoor Track Head Coach

Don Robishaw asked to remove Item A. Approval of the minutes of the meeting of March 5, 2015. It should state that the Board Chair dispensed with the Committee Reports, not that there were no reports. It was moved by Don Robishaw to approve the minutes as amended. Motion carried 756 – 80 – 164 (Ron Gamage abstained; Tess Kilgour and Noreen Mullaney absent).

Hearing no objection, the Consent Agenda was acknowledged as amended. Sally Carleton recognized Mrs. Hart's many years of service of to the district.

6. Business Items
 - A. ~~Approval of the minutes of the meeting of March 5, 2015~~
(should be under Consent Agenda)
 - B. Approval of the annual Art field trip to Boston, MA, on May 1, 2015

It was moved by Nancy Jeffers and seconded by Sally Carleton to approve the annual art field trip to Boston, MA, on May 1, 2015. Motion carried unanimously (of those present).

- C. Approval of an application for a grant from author, James Patterson, and Scholastic Books for \$5,000 to purchase books and Accelerated Reader tests for the Cushing Community School Library

It was moved by Nancy Jeffers and seconded by Sally Carleton to approve the application for a grant from author James Patterson and Scholastic Books for \$5,000 to purchase books and Accelerated Reader tests for the Cushing Community School Library. Motion carried unanimously (of those present).

- D. To undertake a second reading of revised Policy ACAB – Harassment and Sexual Harassment of Employees and Policy ACAB-R – Employee Discrimination and Harassment Complaint Procedure

It was moved by Steve Robert and seconded by Loren Andrews to approve Policy ACAB-Harassment and Sexual Harassment of Employees and Policy ACAB-R-Employee Discrimination and Harassment Complaint Procedure as amended since First Reading. Motion carried 756 – 80 – 164 (Don Robishaw against; Tess Kilgour and Noreen Mullaney absent).

- E. Appointment of Kim Meuse, Special Education Resource Room Teacher, RDMS

It was moved by Loren Andrews and seconded by Sally Carleton to approve the appointment of Kim Meuse, Special Education Resource Room Teacher, RDMS. Motion carried unanimously (of those present).

- F. Approval of an unpaid leave request for an employee

It was moved by Loren Andrews and seconded by Nancy Jeffers to approve the unpaid leave request for an employee. Motion carried unanimously (of those present).

7. Communications: None

8. Reports

- A. Report of the Superintendent: *Superintendent McDonald reported that the Bridge Program has been moved to the planning stage due to insufficient staff and training; school was successful on Saturday, March 28; there has been no response to the waiver request; Food Service Director Charles Butler was recognized for being awarded Food Service Director of the Year by the Maine School Nutrition Association; and he is working on appointments to the Dropout Committee*

- B. Report of the Board Chair: *Chair Roberts appointed Loren Andrews to the Dropout Committee; and recognized the artwork of Janelle Eddy's CCS, GBS, and LLS students.*

9. Committee Reports and Upcoming Meetings

- A. Curriculum: *Met on March 26, 2015. Next meeting is April 30, 2015, at 5:30 pm.*

- B. Facilities & Transportation: *Met on March 17, 2015. Next meeting is April 7, 2015, at 5:00 pm.*

- C. Finance & Insurance: *Met on March 12, 2015. Next meeting is April 9, 2015, at 4:00 pm.*

- D. Policy: *Met on March ??, 2015. Next meeting is April 27, 2015, at 5:00 pm.*

- E. Technology: *Met on March 23, 2015. Next meeting is April 27, 2015, at 3:30 pm.*

- F. Many Flags: *Met on March ??, 2015. Next meeting is May 14, 2015, at 6:30 pm.*

- G. MCST: *Met on March 25, 2015. Next meeting is April 29, 2015, at 7:00 pm.*

Carol Bachofner recognized OHS-E student Payten Billingsley, who won the Elks scholarship and now goes to the national level.

10. Adjournment: *It was moved by Don Robishaw and seconded by Christine Curtis to adjourn at 7:26 pm*