

The regular meeting of the RSU #13 Board of Directors was held on Thursday, July 1, 2010 in the conference room at the McLain Building. Present were:

Loren Andrews	Cushing
Sally Carleton	Owls Head
Arvilla Collins	Thomaston
Jamie Doubleday	Thomaston
Steven Dyer	Rockland
George Emery	St. George
Gregory Hamlin	Thomaston
Ruth Anne Hohfeld	South Thomaston
James Kalloch	Rockland
Esther Kilgour	Rockland
Brian Messing	Rockland
Josiah Wilson	St. George
Patricia Moran-Wotton	Rockland

**1. CALL TO ORDER AND DECLARATION OF A QUORUM.**

Meeting was called to order by Judith Lucarelli at 6:30PM. A quorum was declared.

**2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE.**

The Pledge of Allegiance to the United States flag was given.

**3. Election of Chair for 2010-2011 [Superintendent Presiding]**

James Kalloch nominated Ruth Anne Hohfeld as Chair. Josiah Wilson nominated Steven Dyer as Chair. Josiah requested a secret ballot. He said that he had checked with Maine School Management and that this type of vote is permitted. There were no objections. There were 9 votes for Ruth Anne Hohfeld and 4 votes for Steven Dyer. There was agreement that Ruth Anne Hohfeld was elected Chair, however, Judy Lucarelli will confirm that the election by secret ballot is permitted.

Ruth Anne Hohfeld moderated the rest of the meeting.

**4. Election of Vice Chair for 2010-2011**

Greg Hamlin nominated Jamie Doubleday as Vice Chair. Josiah Wilson nominated Steven Dyer as Vice Chair. 9 FOR (701) Jamie Doubleday, 2 FOR (145) Steven Dyer, 2 ABSTENTION (Doubleday/73, Dyer/80). Jamie Doubleday was elected as Vice Chair.

**5. ADJUSTMENTS TO THE AGENDA**

An executive session will be held at the end of the meeting. The approval of Minutes of Special Board Meeting of 6/24/10 to be added as 8f.

**6. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

Audrey Buffington spoke to the Board regarding the math standards that are being proposed by the Legislature. She will send a copy of the letter she wrote stating her opposition to the new math standards.

The following people spoke to the Board regarding the reconfiguration of the St. George School: Sherman Hoyt, Josh McPhail and Jennifer Garrett. Comments included: the Board reconsider moving 8<sup>th</sup> graders from the St. George School; the move be delayed by one year; data be collected to find out what subjects students are failing and if the failure is in the 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade or only in the 9<sup>th</sup> grade. Chair thanked the participants. NO ACTION.

## 7. COMMUNICATIONS

Judy Lucarelli said that she had received a letter from Todd Martin suggesting to change the name of South School to Rockland Elementary School. This request will be put on next month's agenda for discussion and a vote.

## 8. CONSENT AGENDA

It was moved by Steven Dyer and seconded by Esther Kilgour to approve the consent agenda as follows:

- a. Approval of minutes of regular meeting of June 3, 2010
- b. Approval of minutes of district meeting of June 1, 2010
- c. Approval of minutes of special meeting of June 9, 2010
- d. Approval of policies in second reading
  1. Policy 2.10 Student Discipline
  2. Policy 2.14 Student Eligibility for Extra-Curricular Activities
- e. Approval of paid leave for Cheryl Worthing
- f. Approval of minutes of special meeting on June 24, 2010

11 FOR (926) 1 ABSTENTION (Collins/73). VOTED.

## 9. REPORTS

a. **Report of the Superintendent.** Judith Lucarelli reported on the following items: 1) regarding Race To the Top, she did not ask the Board to participate, the Legislature voted on the standards even before they were written, it would require changing educational direction, there was not enough time to have a board discussion on the matter . 2) The Steering Committee will meet next week to discuss the next steps of Many Flags. 3) The staff has done a phenomenal job getting things packed at the MacDougal School and the cleaning/packing is ahead of schedule. The movers will be at MacDougal the third week of July. 4) A meeting was held with the City Council. The council would like us to leave the new boiler and not retain the football practice field. Our attorneys are in the process of doing further research. 5) Will be attending the National Superintendents Leadership Network summer meeting in Florida. 6) A book will be ordered soon for the Board and administrators reading project. NO ACTION.

### b. REPORT OF THE CHAIR

Ruth Anne Hohfeld reported on the following: 1) Thanked the board for her re-election and for their support for the past year. 2) Congratulations to Lynne Hall and Ilmi Carter who are now Nationally Certified School Nurses . 3) Thanked the community for their generous support of scholarships; \$250,000+ was handed out between both high schools. 4) Thanked Richard and Susan Johnson, art teachers at Georges Valley High School, for the display of art work in the Board room. 5) Would like to have a meeting in July to include board members and 2009 high school graduates who furthered their education to find out what they felt worked and what was missing from their high school education. 6) Forms were distributed for board members to complete which committee(s) they would like to be on for the 2010-2011 school year. NO ACTION.

### c. Report on A Vision for All Grades.

Loren Andrews presented a slide show. A question and answer period followed. This idea will be held with the administrators on August 25th. NO ACTION.

## 10. BUSINESS ITEMS

It was suggested and agreed upon to start with Business Item 10c.

### c. Approval of RSU 13 Peewee Wrestling Club

Athletic Director Jim Leonard explained the Peewee Wrestling Club will still be self-funded, however, in order to participate in the Pine Tree League they need to be part of the district.

Steven Dyer moved and Josiah Wilson seconded the motion for approval of RSU 13 Peewee Wrestling Club. 13 FOR (999) UNANIMOUS. VOTED.

**a. Allocation of \$5000 Raised and Appropriated in Article 4 of RSU 13 2010-2011 Budget**

Judith Lucarelli recommended keeping the money in a contingency account and then transfer the money as needed, subject to a Board vote on any transfers of money from the contingency account.

Greg Hamlin moved and James Kalloch seconded the motion to allocate \$5000 raised and appropriated in article 4 of RSU 13 2010-2011 budget . 10 FOR (767) 3 OPPOSED (Wilson/72, Messing/80, Dyer/80). VOTED.

**b. Action on Standardizing School Start and End Times**

Jamie Doubleday moved and Sally Carleton seconded the motion for the district to have standardized starting times and end times for both elementary and secondary schools with middle and high school one hour before elementary schools. 10 FOR (787) 3 OPPOSED (Andrews/67, Wilson/72, Collins/73). VOTED.

**d. Consideration of Policies in First Reading**

1. Policy 3.21 Student Handbooks
2. Policy 4.22 Staff Transfers

Jamie Doubleday moved and James Kalloch seconded the motion to approve in first reading Policy 3.21 Student Handbooks and Policy 4.22 Staff Transfers. 12 FOR (927) 1 OPPOSED (Wilson/72). VOTED

**e. Approval of Policies in Second Reading**

1. Policy 2.501 Student Home Use of MLTI Laptops

Loren Andrews reviewed the policy. Greg Hamlin suggested amending the policy to include "The Administration has the authority at any time to review the take-home privileges if there is reoccurring damages or if damages appear to be intentional."

Loren Andrews moved and Brian Messing seconded the motion to approve the second reading of Policy 2.501 Student Home Use of MLTI Laptops as revised. 13 FOR (999) UNANIMOUS. VOTED.

**10. Committee Reports And Up-Coming Meetings****a. Activities Committee**

Esther Kilgour, Chair, reported that the Activities Committee did not meet. The sub-committee had their second meeting. They have received over 300 suggestions for the new high school and mascot names. Up to 15 suggestions of each will be selected to be mailed to Charles Grover . NO ACTION.

**b. Curriculum Committee**

Sally Carleton, Chair, reported on a recent meeting held June 15, 2010. Todd Martin gave an update on the MacDougal School/UMO Literacy Partnership. Neal Guyer did a presentation on the 2009-2010 writing assessment results. Loren Andrews did a presentation on A Vision For All Grades. The next meeting will be in September. If possible, the meetings will be moved to Thursdays. NO ACTION.

**c. Facilities & Transportation Committee**

Greg Hamlin, Chair, reported on a meeting held on June 8, 2010. He said the minutes of that meeting are on the website. The next meeting will be July 13, 2010 at 5:30PM. NO ACTION.

**d. Finance and Insurance Committee**

Brian Messing, Chair, discussed a meeting held June 24, 2010. The district ended the year under budget. The next meeting is July 8, 2010 at 6:00PM. NO ACTION.

**e. Personnel and Negotiations.**

Jamie Doubleday said that there will be an executive session after the board meeting. NO ACTION.

**f. Policy Committee**

James Kalloch, Chair, reported on a meeting held on June 15, 2010. The policies presented at this meeting were discussed. The next meeting will be July 20, 2010. NO ACTION.

**g. Technology Committee**

Loren Andrews, Chair, reported that the committee asked Glenn Eichel for a plan on how to structure and analyze the needs of teachers and students. NO ACTION.

**h. Mid-Coast School of Technology**

James Kalloch, Board Representative, reported on a meeting held on June 23, 2010. The Finance Committee for MCST is reviewing the formula for funding. Currently the funding is based on the number of students per district but if students drop out, the funding is not recalculated. NO ACTION.

**i. Many Flags/One Campus**

Jamie Doubleday, Chair, reported, that we now have to wait to see if Sanford files an appeal. She said that there were different committee members this time and the applications were scrutinized more carefully. We received 128 points out of 200. Board members said they would like to receive a copy of the scoring results.

Esther Kilgour moved and Patricia Moran-Wotton seconded the motion to move into Executive Session. 13 FOR (999). UNANIMOUS.

Entered into executive session at 8:32 pm; returned to public session at 8:46 pm.

**12. ADJOURNMENT**

It was moved by Esther Kilgour and seconded by Jamie Doubleday that the meeting be adjourned. 13 FOR (999). VOTED.

Meeting adjourned at 8:47 PM.



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Dr. Judith M. Lucarelli, Secretary/RSU #13 Board of Directors