REGIONAL SCHOOL UNIT #38 BOARD OF DIRECTORS Maranacook Community High School Student Center April 13, 2016 Minutes of Meeting

Present: Chair Terri Watson, Vice Chair Melissa O'Neal, Joan Farrar, Stephen Hayes

(arrived 6:43), Trish Jackson, Jim Marr, Betty Morrell, Bonnie Simcock

Members Excused: Gary Carr, Pia Holmes, Michele Pino, Shawn Roderick, (one vacancy, Mt.

Vernon)

Administrators: Superintendent Donna Wolfrom, Principals Jeff Boston, Dwayne Conway, Janet

Delmar, and Cathy Jacobs, Adult and Community Education Director Steve Vose, Director of Special Education Ryan Meserve, Finance Manager Brigette

Williams, Technology Director Diane MacGregor

1. Call to order: Chair Watson called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

2. Consent Agenda:

- a. Approval of Minutes of April 6, 2016
- b. Acceptance of Teacher Resignation, 06/30/16, Susan Melcher, HS English
- c. Acceptance of Donation By The Board Lumber, Mt. Vernon

MOTION by B.Morrell, second by J.Marr to accept the consent agenda as presented.

Motion Carried: 7 in favor, 0 opposed.

3. Citizens' Comments:

Harry Lanphear, resident of Manchester addressed the Board regarding the participation fees. He raised his concern that the most vulnerable kids are not participating because they know their families are struggling and do not want to ask to participate due to the cost. He asked the Board to consider doing away with the participation fee for families that qualify for free/reduced meals.

4. Additions/Adjustments to the Agenda by Board and/or Superintendent:

Superintendent Wolfrom noted the item listed as 4a on the agenda should be 5a; she also requested the addition of 6e, an additional motion for the budget.

- 5. Action/Discussion/Informational Items:
 - a. <u>Appointment of First Probationary Contract Teacher, Selene Frohmberg, Gifted/Talented, 50</u> FTE

MOTION by B.Simcock, second by B.Morrell to appoint Selene Frohmberg, First Probationary Contract Teacher, Gifted/Talented, 50FTE.

Motion Carried: 7 in favor, 0 opposed.

6. Budget Workshop:

Superintendent Wolfrom reported there are no updates since the last meeting, and provided a recap of the proposed budget. The budget being recommended for FY2017 is \$16,488,320, which is a 3.26% increase over FY2016. The Board has cut \$395,000 since the original request budget was presented in January, the district has lost \$292,104 in state subsidy, and health

insurance costs are going up 7%. We are able to accrue the remainder of the summer salaries, as recommended by the auditor, and \$328,067 carry forward, which includes the \$203,067 in state subsidy that was provided after the FY16 budget vote. Steve Hayes arrived. The local dollar average increase is 4.12%. Superintendent Wolfrom recommends the Board approve the FY2017 budget as presented.

MOTION by B.Simcock, second by B.Morrell to approve the RSU 38 FY2017 budget of \$16,488,320 as written.

Motion Carried: 8 in favor, 0 opposed.

MOTION by B.Simcock, second by B.Morrell to approve the RSU 38 Adult and Community Education FY2017 budget of \$172,000 as presented.

Motion Carried: 8 in favor, 0 opposed.

MOTION by M.O'Neal to move the Vote entitled, "Vote to Call and Approve the Warrants for the Budget Meeting and the Validation Referendum and to Authorize the Notice of Amounts Adopted, "be approved in form presented to this meeting and that a copy of said Vote be included with the minutes of this meeting (Attachment A). Motion was second by B.Morrell.

Motion Carried: 8 in favor, 0 opposed.

7. Adjournment: Motion and second to adjourn at 7:49 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Donna H. Wolfrom, Superintendent/Secretary
D. Foster, Recorder

<u>Motion</u>: I move that the Vote entitled, "Vote to Call and Approve the Warrants for the Budget Meeting and the Validation Referendum and to Authorize the Notice of Amounts Adopted," be approved in form presented to this meeting and that a copy of said Vote be included with the minutes of this meeting.

VOTE TO CALL AND APPROVE THE WARRANTS FOR THE BUDGET MEETING AND THE VALIDATION REFERENDUM AND TO AUTHORIZE THE NOTICE OF AMOUNTS ADOPTED

VOTED: That the warrant for the Regional School Unit Budget Meeting presented to the meeting be and is hereby approved and that the Regional School Unit budget meeting be and is hereby called for May 18, 2016 for the purpose of voting on the annual budget for the Regional School Unit for the 2016-2017 fiscal year;

That the Warrant and Notice of Election for the Regional School Unit Budget Validation Referendum presented to the meeting be and is hereby approved, and that the Regional School Unit budget validation referendum be and is hereby called for June 14, 2016 for the purpose of approving the budget adopted at the Regional School Unit budget meeting for the 2016-2017 fiscal year and considering whether to continue the budget validation referendum process; and

That the form of Notice of Amounts Adopted at Budget Meeting presented to this meeting be and is hereby approved, and that the Superintendent of Schools of the Regional School Unit is hereby authorized and directed to complete said Notice by adding the amounts approved by the voters for each expenditure category and the total school budget summary expenditure amount, all in accordance with the Regional School Unit budget meeting on May 18, 2016, and to cause copies of said notice, as completed, to be delivered to the municipal clerks of each municipality of the Regional School Unit for posting at the polling places for the June 14, 2016 Regional School Unit budget validation referendum. (include with meeting minutes)