

REGIONAL SCHOOL UNIT NO. 38
BOARD OF DIRECTORS
Maranacook Community High School Student Center
December 16, 2015
Minutes of Meeting

Present: Chair Terri Watson, Vice Chair Melissa O'Neal, Gary Carr, Stephen Hayes, Pia Holmes, Trish Jackson, Jim Marr, Betty Morrell, Stefan Pakulski, Shawn Roderick, Bonnie Simcock

Members Excused: Michael Apolito, Michele Pino

Administrators: Superintendent Donna Wolfrom, Principals Dwayne Conway, Janet Delmar, and Cathy Jacobs, Director of Curriculum, Instruction and Assessment Nancy Harriman, Adult and Community Education Director Steve Vose, Literacy Coordinator/Coach Barbara Bourgoine, Math Coordinator/Coach Sarah Caban, Technology Director Diane MacGregor

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

2. Presentation by District Interventionists

Superintendent Wolfrom reported that in response to board member questions about the work of the interventionists, she invited them to come and talk about their work. In addition to Sarah Caban, Math Coordinator/Coach, the District has 3 elementary math interventionists Abby Shink (Mt. Vernon and Wayne), Erica Boudreau (Manchester), and Christine Mohlar (Readfield); one Middle School, Janet Apsenall; and one High School, Colette Jadis. In addition to Barbara Bourgoine, Literacy Coordinator/Coach, the District has four literacy interventionist, Maria Rungi (Readfield), Rachael Boucher (Manchester), Susan Lockhart (Mt. Vernon and Wayne), and Chris St.Clair at the Middle School. The High School does not have a Literacy Interventionist.

The Coaches and Interventionists provided the Board with examples of different pieces of their work and data, with a lot of the data collection zooming in on individual students. They explained that a lot of the data is soft data due to a greater number of students moving in and moving out throughout the year. More up to date data will be prepared for the budget presentations.

The board expressed appreciation for the work being done to assist students, complimenting the staff on the work they do to provide individualization to the students. More information was requested on: the percentage of students getting intervention now; whether there is a state or national standard on how many students' interventionists should support (20-25 students per interventionist); are we putting as much time and energy into students on the other end of the spectrum; how many students from last year's 8th grade no longer have literacy service in the high school; and how many could still use that service? Regarding the students who have moved in, is there a correlation of family transients and kids that need help? Yes.

Discussion regarding the reading standards and teaching content versus analytical skills.

3. Consent Agenda:

- a. Approval of Minutes of December 2, 2015
- b. Acceptance of donations
- c. Acceptance of bid for 1995 GM Dump Truck

Request was made to remove item 3a from the consent agenda.

MOTION by Morrell, second by Marr to approve the Minutes of December 2, 2015 as presented. Discussion took place about the process for coming out of Executive Session and returning to Public Session. It was noted that although the Board did come out of Executive Session at the December 2nd meeting prior to adjourning, there were a lot of conversations happening and some members left prior to returning to the Student Center where the public session of the meeting took place. Superintendent Wolfrom noted that there was a motion and second to adjourn. In the future Chair Watson will be more cognizant to the process of coming out of Executive Session and adjournment of the meetings.

Motion Carried: 8 in favor, 0 opposed, 3 abstentions (Hayes, Jackson, O'Neal). Abstentions were due to not being in attendance at the meeting of December 2nd.

MOTION by Carr, second by Holmes to accept items 3b and 3c as presented.

Motion Carried: unanimous

4. Citizens Comments: none

5. Additions/Adjustments: none

6. Action/Discussion/Informational Items: none

7. Workshop session: Strategic Plan Update – Goal 2, Outcomes 1 – 6

Superintendent Wolfrom read Goal 2, Outcomes 1-6 for the board. Principals Janet Delmar, Cathy Jacobs and Dwayne Conway reported on the work the staffs have done in reaching these goals and the continued work toward reaching beyond the goals stated in the plan, especially in the areas of mathematics. The need for a high school literacy specialist was also discussed.

8. Executive Session

MOTION by Simcock, second by Roderick to enter Executive Session for the purpose of Evaluating Superintendent Donna Wolfrom pursuant to 1 M.R.S.A. §405(6)(A)

Motion Carried: unanimous

The Board entered Executive Session at 8:39 p.m. and returned to Public Session at 9:30.

9. Adjournment: **MOTION** and second to adjourn at 9:31.

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