

REGIONAL SCHOOL UNIT #38 BOARD OF DIRECTORS
Maranacook Community High School Student Center
May 4, 2016
Minutes of Meeting

Present: Chair Terri Watson, Vice Chair Melissa O’Neal, Gary Carr, Joan Farrar, Stephen Hayes, Pia Holmes, Trish Jackson, Jim Marr, Betty Morrell, Michele Pino, Shawn Roderick, Bonnie Simcock, (one vacancy, Mt. Vernon)

Administrators: Superintendent Donna Wolfrom, Principals 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, Director of Curriculum, Instruction, and Assessment Nancy Harriman

Student Reps: Derek Kelley, Carter McPhedran, Dana Reynolds

1. Call to order: Chair Watson called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.
2. Recognitions/Presentations:
 - a. SKILLSUSA State Champion – Graphic Design, Camisha King
Camisha King was recognized for her achievement of State Champion in Graphic Design at the SKILLSUSA competition through the Capital Area Technical Center (CATC).
 - b. Recognition for donations to install Baseball Scoreboard
Coach Eric Brown spoke about the efforts of community members over several years to purchase a new baseball scoreboard and then raise the funds needed to actually install it. It has been several years, but with the help of community members, such as Mr. & Mrs. Garand and Mr. & Mrs. Brooks, and the Awesome Bear Society, the scoreboard is finally going to be installed. It is a dual scoreboard and will be used for soccer as well as baseball. This was a huge community effort and he wanted the Board to know about the work that was involved in bringing this project to fruition.
 - c. Report on NWEA Scores
Director of Curriculum, Instruction, and Assessment Nancy Harriman shared the winter (January) results of the NWEA for math and reading, comparing them with the 2015 results. The data shows significant improvement in almost all grade levels. This data is used in combination with other measures for screening for RtI, Title I, Gifted and Talented, and Special Education.
 - d. Technology
Director of Technology Diane MacGregor reported that the district has an opportunity to take part in a “technology refresh” without any additional cost to the district in the first year. MLTI announced this at a recent meeting. We will be in year 4 next year; the refresh is a year early and keeps us at the same price as year 4. This would replace the iPads with MacBook Airs for the same price. She sent out surveys to the staff and students – 82.4% of staff like the idea of MacBook Airs, and 95% of the students favor the switch. Diane reviewed the pros and cons considered in making this decision. Apple found a remarketer who will buy out all our iPads for the first year payment.
3. Consent Agenda:
 - a. Approval of Minutes of April 13, 2016
 - b. Appointment of Second Probationary Contract Teachers
 - c. Appointment of Third Probationary Contract Teachers
 - d. Appointment of First Continuing Contract Teachers
 - e. Approval of overnight trip, WES Grades 4/5, Bryant Pond 4-H Camp and Learning Center, May 17, 2016

- f. Approval of overnight trip, MS Acadia Team to Acadia National Park, May 25-27, 2016
- g. Acceptance of donations
- h. Acceptance of teacher resignation effective August 31, 2016, Emily Brittelli, Mt. Vernon Grade K

MOTION by M.Pino to accept the consent agenda as presented. Second by B.Morrell.

Motion Carried: Unanimous

4. Student Representatives

High School representative Derek Kelley reported on the upcoming events at the high school, including Humanities Night on May 26, and a Jazz Band and Choral Concert May 12. The prom was last weekend, and the Senior class raised \$4,000.

Middle School student representatives Dana Reynolds and Carter McPhedran provided updates on the Team projects. The middle school will be holding a Concert on June 2.

5. Citizens' Comments:

Resident Adam Woodford addressed the Board regarding concerns he has and the lack of response from Board members.

6. Additions/adjustments to the agenda: none

7. Action/discussion/informational items:

- a. Policy First Readings: GCSA, Employee Computer and Internet Use; IJNDB, Student Computer, Internet Use, and Cyber Safety; JFCK, Student Use of Cell Phones and Other Electronic Devices; KJA, Use of School Name and Logo; AC, Nondiscrimination/EOAA

Superintendent Wolfrom reported on the work of the Policy Committee on the above policies. The Policies are being presented for first reading (see minutes, Item 8c.) The Policy Committee will be reviewing these policies at their next meeting on May 9th. Any questions/suggestion should be forwarded to Donna at the Superintendent's Office for the Policy Committee's consideration and review.

- b. First Reading to remove obsolete policy JFCIAA, Student Assistance Team

Superintendent Wolfrom reported this is an obsolete policy. Student Assistance Teams have been replaced by Response to Intervention (RtI) Teams. The second reading to remove this policy will be held at the next business meeting.

- c. Preparation for Annual Meeting

Superintendent Wolfrom and the Board reviewed the outline for the Annual Meeting on May 18th. Joan Farrar noted that she will be out-of-state that day. It was noted that the moderator is the person who reads the actual articles to be voted on. The outline will be revised and emailed to Board members.

8. Informational items:

G.Carr recommended the principals look at an alternative time for the Pre-K open house.

- 9. Executive Session to consider managerial evaluations pursuant to 1 M.R.S.A. § 405(6)(A) for Jeff Bridges, Rebecca Reynolds, and Brigitte Williams

MOTION by B.Simcock, second by B.Morrell to go into Executive Session to consider managerial evaluations pursuant to 1 M.R.S.A. § 405(6)(A) for Jeff Bridges, Rebecca Reynolds, and Brigitte Williams

Motion Carried: unanimous

The Board entered Executive Session at 7:47 and returned to public session at 8:05 p.m.

10. Executive Session to consider settlement offers, pursuant to 1 M.R.S.A. § 405(6)(E)

MOTION by B.Simcock, second by B.Morrell to go into Executive Session to consider settlement offers, pursuant to 1 M.R.S.A. § 405(6)(E)

Motion Carried: unanimous

The Board went into Executive Session at 8:06 p.m. and returned to public session at 8:25 p.m.

11. Action following Executive Sessions

MOTION by S.Hayes, second by M.Pino that due to the positive evaluations on the three reviewed employees, to allow the Superintendent to negotiate contract extensions for up to three years.

Motion Carried: 11 in favor, 1 opposed (Carr)

MOTION by B.Morrell, second by G.Carr to authorize the Superintendent to sign an agreement resolving an ongoing DHHS audit claim.

Motion Carried: unanimous

12. Adjournment: **MOTION** and second to adjourn at 8:35 p.m.

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