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**Regular Meeting
Regional School Unit No. 38
Board of Directors
Maranacook Community High School
November 6, 2013**

Minutes of Meeting

Members present: Chair David Greenham, Vice Chair Lynette Johnson (arrived 6:45), Michael Apolito, Russell Evans, David Guillemette, Lisa Montagna, Jason Morgan, Bonnie Simcock
Members absent: Stephen Hayes, Melissa O’Neal (excused), Marie Rodriguez (excused), Madeline Snow (excused), (1 Wayne vacant position)
Student Reps: Carrington Brennan, Benjamin Tyler, Taylor Cray, Colleen Wright
Administrators: Superintendent Donna Wolfrom, Principals Dwayne Conway, Pia Holmes, and Cathy Jacobs, Finance Manager Brigitte Williams, Technology Director Jan Kolenda, Director of Curriculum, Assessment & Instruction Nancy Harriman, Special Education Director Ryan Meserve, Adult Education Director Steve Vose

1. Call to order: Chair Greenham called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.
2. Consent Agenda:
 - a. Approval of Minutes of October 16, 2013
 - b. Consideration of out-of-state trip – Boston College Tour, November 13, 2013
 - c. Acceptance of Donations – DonorsChoose.org
R.Evans requested the Board vote on the minutes separately.
MOTION by Simcock, second by Morgan to accept the minutes of October 16, 2013 as presented.
Motion Carried: 4 in favor, 0 opposed, 3 abstentions (Apolito, Evans, Guillemette).
MOTION by Apolito, second by Montagna to approve Items b and c of the Consent Agenda as presented.
Motion Carried: 7 in favor, 0 opposed.
3. Student Representatives Reports:

Carrington Brennan and Benjamin Tyler reported on the work of the middle school teams as well as activities from their recent advisee day.

Taylor Cray and Colleen Wright reported on the boys’ soccer team win earlier that day against Hall-Dale. They will move on to the State Championship in Hampden on Saturday. They reported on the upcoming spaghetti dinner fundraiser sponsored by the Cross Country Teams, the upcoming Musical “The Sound of Music” scheduled for November 20 – 24, 2013, and the success of Make A Difference Week. In addition to donating food to the local food pantries in the area, there will be a food pantry set up at the school for students.
4. Citizens’ Comments: none
5. Additions/Adjustments to the Agenda by Board and/or Superintendent: none
6. Action/Discussion/Informational Items:

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- a. Policy First Readings: BEA–Board Use of Electronic Mail; EHB–Records Management; IJND–School System Web Site/Web Pages; IJNDB–Student Computer, Internet Use, and Cyber Safety; JHB–Truancy; JKAA–Use of Physical Restraint and Seclusion

Superintendent Wolfrom explained the process for how policies are selected for review. The above policies were selected due to changes in the law or recommendations from Maine School Management Association or legal counsel. During the first reading any Board, citizens or staff members that have questions or suggestions should submit them to the Superintendent's office prior to the next Policy Committee meeting. At that meeting comments and questions will be reviewed and considered for possible revisions prior to the Board voting on the policies at the second reading. Requests can be forwarded to the Superintendent at any time for specific policy review.

- b. Report from MSMA Delegate Assembly/MSMA Fall Conference Attendees

Superintendent Wolfrom, Lynette Johnson and David Greenham reported on the sessions they attended at the MSMA Fall Conference. L. Johnson reported that the Delegate Authority passed the following resolutions as presented: enhanced circuit breaker, preserving local school boards, and shifting retirement costs. The resolution pertaining to private academy teacher retirements passed as amended, stating that they would not have to share in the costs at all.

- c. New England Association of Schools & Colleges (NEASC) Middle School Report

Superintendent Wolfrom reported that the Board was recently emailed the NEASC Visiting Committee report. She provided background on the decision to employ the NEASC to take the middle school through the accreditation process. On the 20th the Board will hear from the middle school staff about what their discussions were like and how we will move forward.

Suggestion was made to make the report available to the public ahead of time so that they can attend the Board meeting having read it. Superintendent Wolfrom agreed to post the report on the website.

7. Informational Items: No additional reports.

8. Executive Session to consider labor contract discussions between RSU #38 Board of Directors and the Maranacook Area Staff Association pursuant to 1 M.R.S.A. § 405(6)(D)

MOTION by Evans, second by Simcock to enter Executive Session to consider labor contract discussions between RSU #38 Board of Directors and the Maranacook Area Staff Association pursuant to 1 M.R.S.A. § 405(6)(D)

Motion carried: unanimous

The Board entered Executive Session at 7:07 and returned to public session at 7:40 p.m.

9. Action Following Executive Session

MOTION by Evans, second by Apolito to deny the grievance filed on September 17, 2013 and direct the Chair to provide the written response.

Motion Carried: unanimous.

10. Adjournment: Motion and second to adjourn at 7:42 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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