

REGIONAL SCHOOL UNIT #38 BOARD OF DIRECTORS
Readfield Elementary School
November 14, 2018
MINUTES

Members Present: Vice Chair Wendy Brotherlin, Betty Morrell, Kaleb Pushard (left 6:43), Shawn Roderick, Crystal Sullivan, Melissa Tobin, David Twitchell, Adam Woodford, Alexander Wright
Members Absent: Chair Gary Carr, Patty Gordon, Cathy Jacobs, Scott Lyons
Administrators: Superintendent James Charette, Principal Kristen Levesque, Finance Manager Brigette Williams

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

2. Presentations:

Superintendent Charette reported that the Mentor Program Update would not be presented this evening.

GearUp Update – Students Shylah Woodford and Emily Lucas presented on the recent GearUp Conference they attended in Bangor. The Maranacook team earned 2 awards – the Enthusiasm Award and the GearUp After Dark Award. They developed an Aspirations Week Proposal that they presented to the Maranacook High School Learning Leaders.

MS Teacher Jean Roesner and student Gabby Galbreath, a recipient of a Maine College Circles Scholarship, presented on the scholarship program. Gabby reported on her aspirations to be an actress. Jean Roesner reported that 26 scholarships were awarded last year. The goal is to make this a sustainable grant program, which costs about \$4,000/year. There are 2 more years for the Maine College Circles Scholarship program. So far, they have raised \$400, but are hoping to raise \$2,600. Discussion was held about how Board members can volunteer in the program. Interested board members should contact Jean Roesner or Kristen Levesque.

3. Citizens: none

4. Additions/Adjustments: none

5. Actions/Discussions/Informational Items:

a. Approval of Minutes of November 7, 2018

MOTION by Wright, second by Morrell to approve the Minutes of November 7, 2018. David Twitchell corrected that he was absent from the meeting.

Motion Carried to approve the minutes as amended: unanimous

b. Consideration of overnight trip – Maranacook Outdoor Club, December 1-2, 2018, Kingfield, Maine

MOTION by Wright, second by Twitchell to approve the overnight trip request for the Outdoor Club as presented. Discussion ensued. Student Robert McKee reported on the history of the program, which was started last spring. Over the summer, students raised \$350.00 to cover the start of the Club. Twenty students hiked Mt. Pisgah, and a second trip was cancelled due to weather. On December 1st, 15 students and 4 chaperones will hike, carry their supplies in, fix their meals and spend the night. Chaperone Cheryl Marvinney spoke about the details of the trip.

Motion Carried: unanimous

- c. Consideration of out-of-state trip – MCHS student competition to Carnegie Hall, New York, NY, February 6-11, 2019

MOTION by Wright, second by Morrell to approve the out-of-state trip to Carnegie Hall, New York, NY, February 6-11, 2019

Superintendent Charette reported that this item ties into the next request to consider providing financial support for the competition. At this time Superintendent Charette needs to meet with Mr. Albert before making a recommendation to the Board regarding the request for financial support. He asked the Board to consider the travel request and that he would have a recommendation for board consideration at the December 5th meeting.

Question was asked about who was chaperoning the student on the trip. Mr. Charette reported that he thought it might be Mr. Albert, but did not know for sure.

Question about how many days trips such as this are approved for with staff missing school days. Also questions were asked about accommodations for the trip.

The MOTION and second were amended to read “approve pending funding”.

Motion Carried, as amended: unanimous

- d. Consideration of District financial support for student competition to Carnegie Hall - Tabled until December 5th.

- e. Annual Approval of Comprehensive Emergency Management Plan

Superintendent Charette, reported that the Board is required by law to approve the Comprehensive Emergency Management Plan annually. Minor revisions were made to the plan, updating links to web sites, updating telephone numbers, and updating staffing lists.

MOTION by Wright, second by Morrell to approve the Comprehensive Emergency Management Plan as presented. **Motion Carried:** unanimous

- f. Approval of warrants and notices of election for the RSU 38 Facilities Improvement Bond for January 8, 2019

MOTION by Wright – VOTED: That the warrant and notice of election of Regional School Unit No. 38 presented to the meeting be approved and that a referendum election for the RSU be called for January 8, 2019 for the purpose of approving the issuance of bonds or notes of the RSU for minor capital project purposes as described therein. The motion was second by Morrell.

Motion Carried: unanimous

- g. Approval of notice of public hearings for the RSU 38 Facilities Improvements Bond for January 8, 2019

MOTION by Wright – FURTHER VOTED: That the Notice of Public Hearing presented to the meeting be approved and that public hearings on the issuance of bonds or notes for minor capital project purposes be held as provided herein. The motion was second by Morrell.

Motion Carried: unanimous

6. Adjournment: **MOTION** and second to adjourn at 7:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
James Charette, Superintendent/Secretary
D. Foster, Recorder