

**REGIONAL SCHOOL UNIT #57  
OFFICE OF THE SUPERINTENDENT  
WATERBORO, MAINE 04087**

**District School Board Meeting Agenda**

**June 14, 2023**

**7:00 PM**

**MHS East Building**

**Zoom Link: <https://rsu57.zoom.us/j/82779048196>**

- A. Call to Order @ 7:00pm**
- B. Pledge of Allegiance**
- C. Roll Call and Declaration of Quorum - 13 Directors Present**

Bauer, Suzanne	Cartisano, Mark	Crowley-Colwell, Tina	Day, Elizabeth
DuBois, Norman	Ferguson, Anastasia	Laine, Jodi	Mayo, Jennifer
Morrison, Amie	Phinney, Wes	Tanguay, Adam	Tardif, Angela
Vasalle, Judith*	Vermette, Dominic	(Newfield - Vacant)	(Shapleigh - Vacant)
(Shapleigh - Vacant)	(Waterboro - Vacant)	**VanBrocklin, Hunter - Jr. Class	**Harris, Maggie - Sr. Class*

*\*\*Student Representative*

*Absent\**

- D. Adjustments to the Agenda**
  - Addition of several new hire nominations.
  - Removal of “Fall Coach Nominations” under New Business.
  - Addition of time to sign documentation validating New Business section 3-8 following the first Executive Session.
- E. Approval of the Minutes from [May 24, 2023](#).**
  - Motion:** N. DuBois made a motion to approve the minutes.
  - 2nd:** E. Day
  - Discussion:** Chair Laine noted under New Business section 6, the “W” in “W. Phinney” needed to be capitalized.
- 11 in Favor, 2 Abstentions      Motion Carried**
- F. Public Comment**

No Public Comment.
- G. Board Chair Report**
  - 1. Board Chair Update
    - Chair Laine congratulated Director Bauer and Director Day on their re-election and welcomed two new Board Members, Director Morrison and Director Tardif.
    - Chair Laine shared a thank you card given to the Board by Student Representative M. Harris.
    - Announced Sophia Tanguay and Maggie Harris as the School Board Scholarship recipients from the Class of 2023. The recipients were announced on June 8 at graduation.
- H. Superintendent’s Report**
  - Dr. Marquis and Mr. Thurlow attended the Rotary Scholarship Breakfast in Sanford; \$5,500 was awarded to three Massabesic High School seniors.
  - Dr. Marquis attended the Cumberland and York County Superintendents meeting on May 26. Superintendents collectively contacted local state representatives and senators regarding several proposed bills that would have significant financial impact on RSU 57. Dr. Marquis commended our representatives for amending LD 974 and being receptive to feedback from our district.
  - On June 1, Dr. Marquis, Mr. Thurlow and Mr. O’Connor attended a graduation ceremony for students who are supported by our Special Education program.

- Massabesic High School hosted its Senior Class Night on June 7, and graduation went off without a hitch on June 8 at the Cross Insurance Arena.
- Dr. Marquis encouraged school staff as well as Board Members to attend the MCAL graduation ceremony on June 15th at 6pm in the MHS East Gym. 14 graduates will be recognized for receiving their HiSet certificate and celebrated for the hard work they put into obtaining their high school equivalency.

1. [Student Representative Report](#)

- Student Representative H. VanBrocklin provided an overview of the report.

2. [Staff Report](#)

- Dr. Marquis has been conducting exit interviews with employees who are leaving the District. Employees have the opportunity to meet with Dr. Marquis, Mr. Keenan or a member from the Human Resources department. Dr. Marquis stated these interviews continue to help drive our work in the District.
  - The exit interview provides opportunities for employees to share positive and challenging experiences, what initially interested them in working for RSU 57, and provide feedback on areas of relative concern.

3. [Enrollment](#)

- Dr. Marquis predicts to reach 3,000 enrolled students during the 2023-2024 school year.

4. Strategic Plan

- Last meeting was on June 14; committee continues to work on establishing the core goals/ideas of the strategic plan.
- Administrative team will be tasked with taking the larger goals and writing up the strategic plan.
- A work session will be held on August 22 from 2-5pm.
- Second community forum/public forum held on August 28 at 7pm. More details to follow.
- Revisions will be made following the community forum and the committee will complete revisions by September 6.
- A draft of the strategic plan will be brought to the Board on September 13.

**I. Standing Committees**

- Finance/Building and Maintenance Committee
  - D. Vermette provided an overview of the meeting.
- Curriculum Committee
  - Has Not Met.
- Negotiations Committee
  - Has Not Met.
- Policy Committee
  - Has Not Met.
- Public Relations/Technology Committee
  - Has Not Met.
- Transportation and Safety Committee
  - Has Not Met.

**J. Old Business**

**K. New Business**

1. Nominations. **Action Needed**

- Lorraine Fecteau, Student Nurse, Massabesic High School
- Mia Llerandi, Spanish Teacher, Massabesic Middle School
- Amanda Rapier, MTSS-B Intervention Teacher, Waterboro Elementary School
- Thomas Nelson, 6th Grade Social Studies Teacher, Massabesic Middle School
- Erica Garcia, Spanish Teacher, Massabesic High School
- Brigitte Kearney, Guidance Counselor, Massabesic High School
- Maureen Larochelle, Kindergarten Teacher, Alfred Elementary School
- Debra Leone, Guidance Counselor, Waterboro Elementary School
- Joshua Andrews, Special Education Teacher, Massabesic Middle School

**Motion:** W. Phinney motioned to approve the nominations.

**2nd:** A. Ferguson

**No Discussion**

**Unanimous**

**Motion Carried**

2. Second Read of Policy **BDE** - Authorization/Appointment of Standing Committees. **Action Needed.**

- Policy revision would allow the development of a committee that could perform Superintendent evaluations, select student representatives, and select School Board Scholarship recipients.

**Motion:** A. Ferguson motioned to approve the second read.

**2nd:** M. Cartisano

**No Discussion 12 in Favor, 2 Abstentions**

**Motion Carried**

3. Approval of the computation and declaration of referendum votes of June 13, 2023 for the Fiscal Year 2023-2024 District Budget and the Validation Referendum Process. **Action Needed.**

**Motion:** N. DuBois motioned to approve the computation and declaration of referendum votes.

**2nd:** T. Crowley-Colwell

**No Discussion**

**Unanimous**

**Motion Carried**

4. Approval of the computation and declaration of referendum votes of June 13, 2023 for the School Revolving Renovation Fund. **Action Needed.**

**Motion:** D. Vermette motioned to approve the computation and declaration of referendum votes.

**2nd:** M. Cartisano

**No Discussion**

**Unanimous**

**Motion Carried**

5. Approval of lease purchase for Fiscal Year 2023-2024 for various technology and associated equipment for up to \$365,000. **Action Needed.**

**Motion:** A. Tanguay moved that the resolution entitled "Resolution to Authorize Lease Purchase of Technology Equipment in the Principal Amount of \$365,000," be adopted in form presented to this meeting and that a copy of said Resolution be filed with the minutes of this meeting.

**2nd:** J. Mayo

**No Discussion**

**Unanimous**

**Motion Carried**

6. Approval of lease purchase for Fiscal Year 2023-2024 for school buses and associated equipment for up for \$510,000. **Action Needed.**

- Mr. Walsh explained that this would allow the purchase of up to 4 school buses along with the necessary equipment.

**Motion:** A. Tanguay motioned that the resolution entitled, "Resolution to Authorize Lease and Purchase of New School Buses in the Principal Amount of \$510,000," be adopted in form presented to this meeting and that a copy of said Resolution be filed with the minutes of this meeting.

**2nd:** N. DuBois

**No Discussion**

**Unanimous**

**Motion Carried**

7. Approval and vote to authorize \$638,548 School Revolving Renovation Fund Financing. **Action Needed.**

**Motion:** A. Tanguay motioned that the voter entitled, "Vote to Authorize \$638,548 School Revolving Renovation Fund Financing," be approved in form presented to this meeting and that the Secretary file an attested copy of said vote with the minutes of this meeting.

**2nd** N. DuBois

**No Discussion**

**Unanimous**

**Motion Carried**

8. Approval of the RSU #57 Local Tax Assessments for Fiscal Year 2023-2024. **Action Needed.**

**Motion:** E. Day motioned that the Warrant for Assessment of Tax and the Assessment Schedule and Notice of Installments for each member municipality prepared by the Treasurer for the fiscal year 2023-2024 be approved and be issued in form presented to this meeting; and that the Treasurer be authorized and directed to deliver to each member municipality its Warrant for Assessment of Tax and its Assessment Schedule and Notice of Installments.

**2nd:** A. Tanguay

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|  | <b>No Discussion</b> | <b>Unanimous</b> | <b>Motion Carried</b> |
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9. Election of School Board Chair. **Action Needed.**  
**Motion:** T. Crowley-Colwell motioned to nominate J. Laine as School Board Chair.  
**2nd:** A. Tanguay
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|  | <b>No Discussion</b> | <b>Unanimous</b> | <b>Motion Carried</b> |
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10. Election of School Board Vice Chair. **Action Needed.**  
**Motion:** T. Crowley-Colwell motioned to nominate A. Ferguson as School Board Vice-Chair.  
**2nd:** J. Mayo
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|  | <b>No Discussion</b> | <b>9 In Favor</b> | <b>Motion Carried</b> |
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- Motion:** W. Phinney motioned to nominate D. Vermette as School Board Vice-Chair.  
**2nd:** M. Cartisano
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|  | <b>No Discussion</b> | <b>4 In Favor</b> | <b>Motion Defeated</b> |
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- L. Executive Session**
1. To discuss a student matter pursuant to [1 M.R.S.A. § 405\(6\)\(B\)](#).  
**Motion:** A. Ferguson motioned to enter Executive Session.  
**2nd:** N. DuBois
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|  | <b>No Discussion</b> | <b>Unanimous</b> | <b>Motion Carried</b> |
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- The Board entered Executive Session at 7:45pm.**
- Motion:** N. DuBois motioned to exit Executive Session.  
**2nd:** A. Ferguson
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|  | <b>No Discussion</b> | <b>Unanimous</b> | <b>Motion Carried</b> |
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- The Board exited Executive Session at 8:00pm.**
- Motion:** M. Cartisano motioned to permit Student A re-entry to Massabesic High School.  
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|  | <b>No Discussion</b> | <b>Unanimous</b> | <b>Motion Carried</b> |
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2. To discuss a personnel matter pursuant to [1 M.R.S.A. § 405\(6\)\(A\)](#).  
**Motion:** A. Ferguson motioned to enter Executive Session.  
**2nd:** S. Bauer
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|  | <b>No Discussion</b> | <b>Unanimous</b> | <b>Motion Carried</b> |
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- The Board entered Executive Session at 8:18pm.**
- Motion:** W. Phinney motioned to exit Executive Session.  
**2nd:** M. Cartisano
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|  | <b>No Discussion</b> | <b>Unanimous</b> | <b>Motion Carried</b> |
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- The Board exited Executive Session at 8:44pm.**  
**No action was taken.**
3. To discuss a personnel matter pursuant to [1 M.R.S.A. § 405\(6\)\(A\)](#).  
**Motion:** A. Ferguson motioned to enter Executive Session.  
**2nd:** W. Phinney
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|  | <b>No Discussion</b> | <b>Unanimous</b> | <b>Motion Carried</b> |
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- The Board entered Executive Session at 8:45pm.**
- Motion:** A. Ferguson motioned to exit Executive Session.  
**2nd:** N. DuBois
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|  | <b>No Discussion</b> | <b>Unanimous</b> | <b>Motion Carried</b> |
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- The Board exited Executive Session at 9:00pm**  
**No action was taken.**

**M. Calendar/Announcements**

1. 2023-2024 School Board Meeting Schedule ([Draft](#))

**N. Adjournment @ 9:03pm**

**Upcoming Meetings**