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# **Minutes**

### **BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

REGIONAL SCHOOL UNIT NO. 3

REGULAR SCHOOL BOARD MEETING

6:30 PM, Monday, March 8, 2021

Via Zoom

### **RSU. 3 Mission Statement**

The mission of RSU. 3 is to ensure personal success through personalized learning.

"Success in Learning - Success in Life"

#### **RSU. 3 Vision Statement**

Every R.S.U. 3 learner is prepared to be academically, socially, and emotionally successful in learning and life. RSU. 3 is invested in what our learners know, what they are able to do, and what kind of citizens they are becoming.

- A. Call to Order 6:34 PM
- B. Pledge of Allegiance
- C. Roll Call

X Ashleigh Eastham (7:01) X Richard Frost X Terri Church

X Eleanor Hess X Michael Schaab □ Najean Shedyak

X Jonathan Lorenz X Nicole Hubbard □ Heidi Paul

X John Wentworth X Jesse Hargrove

□ \*Joseph Grassi X \*Emma McPherson \*Student Board Member

Providing the communities of Brooks, Montville, Thorndike, Troy, Unity, and Waldo



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- D. Adjustments to the Agenda
  - 1. Resignations Steve Harrington
  - 2. Under new business policy, EED should be EEB, and policy EED-R should be EEB-R.
- E. Public Comment (Up to a maximum of 10 minutes)
- F. Approval of Meeting Minutes

What action will the School Board take to approve the minutes of February 8, 2021, a regular board meeting?

Motion: TC Second: MS Vote: Unanimous

- G. Superintendent's Report
  - 1. Appointments: Kiara Morrissette Educational Tech III
  - 2. Resignations: Jennifer Mesaric MVES/MVMS Ed Tech 3

Steve Harrington – SNP Custodian

- 3. Retirements: Deb Woodbury MVES Teacher
- 4. COVID-19 impacts

We have had three positive cases since February 1<sup>st</sup>; thirteen individuals quarantined, sixty-three individuals on the COVID systems tracker.

5. Grant Update

DP shared a presentation regarding the federal grants available to RSU3. ESEA, CRF, ESSER and GearUP grants were discussed. A powerpoint presentation was shared with the school board.

6. Return to School

RSU 3 will be returning to a four-day-a-week model on Monday, March 15, 2021. Bus routes have been updated, and they will take effect on that Monday.





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# 7. Operations & Policy Committee Meeting Date/Time

The Operations and Policy Committees will now be held the Tuesday prior to a regular board meeting monthly.

# **H.** Committee Reports

Finance

JW reports the federal procurement manual is due to be updated. It is recommended that it is updated every five years. It is currently being worked on and will be brought to the policy committee at a future meeting. All towns other than one are up to date on their revenue payments. The expenses are down compared to last year at this time due to the district utilizing the federal grants that were made available to us. He also discussed the upcoming budget timeline. There is a considerable decrease in the State subsidy in the amount of \$600,000.

# Operations

EH and PQ reports the generator installs at Walker and Troy were canceled over February vacation due to a snowstorm. The COVID Relief Funds (CRF) deadline has been extended to June 30, 2021. Operations have completed 50% of the high-priority items on their list of repairs and updates. They continue to work on the ventilation systems at various schools. Bus drivers like the new Tyler Drive System. Our Operations Director is working on completing a bulk order of cleaning supplies, paper products, soaps, etc., for the district.

#### WCTC

JH reports that the WCTC budget has been approved for the first reading. They are looking to work on Middle School Summer Career and Technical Education Camp. Having consistent representation from RSU 20 at the WCTC meetings continues to be an issue.

#### Personnel

TC reports that they are continuing to work on the Support Educator Contract, which is the marriage of the Support and Transportation contracts. There have been three meetings so far and everything is going well.

Policy





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CB reports that there are policies to take action on further down in the agenda.

I. Student Board Member Report – Joseph Grassi and Emma McPherson

EM reports that there have been mixed reactions to starting back to a four-day-aweek model, but it has mostly been positive.

J. Board Chair Report – Richard Frost

RF reports that negotiations have been going well. There will be a board budget workshop on March 29, 2021.

### K. Old Business

1. What action will the School Board take to approve for "Second Reading" of the following policy as recommended by the RSU 3 Board Policy Committee?

a. Policy ICA - Academic Calendar 2021-2022

Motion: TC Second: MS Vote: Unanimous

b. Policy JLCB - Student Immunizations

Motion: TC Second: MS Vote: Unanimous

c. Policy BEDH - Public Participation at Board Meetings

Motion: JW Second: TC Vote: Unanimous

#### L. New Business

1. What action will the School Board take to approve for "First Reading" of the following policy as recommended by the RSU 3 Board Policy Committee?

a. Policy IKF Graduation Standards

Motion: TC Second: MS Vote: Unanimous

b. Policy JL Student Wellness

Motion: TC Second: JW Vote: Unanimous

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TC made a motion that Policy EEB and EEB-R be voted on together and JH seconded it. The vote was unanimous to do so.

c. Policy EED EEB Use of Transportation Vehicles

d. Policy EED-R EEB-R Use of Transportation Vehicles

Motion: TC Second: JH Vote: Unanimous

2. What action will the School Board take to approve the Mt. View High School 2021-22 Program of Studies?

Motion: TC Second: MS Vote: Unanimous

3. What action will the School Board take to enter into executive session to consider the evaluation of the Superintendent of Schools pursuant to 1 MRSA ss 405(6)(A)?

Motion: TC Second: JH Vote: Unanimous

Time In: 8:13 PM Time Out: 8:59 PM

TC made a motion to accept the Superintendent's evaluation summary as presented during the executive session.

Motion: TC Second: JH Vote: 8 – Yes, 1 - Abstained

M. Adjournment Time: 9:02 PM

Motion: TC Second: JH Vote: Unanimous





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