RSU 29
SCHOOL BOARD MEETING MINUTES
April 5, 2021

Time: 6:00pm
Place: Houlton High School Auditorium

Members Present: Ellen Asken, Tammy Goetsch, Fred Grant, Jennifer Johnston, Stephenic Lively, Rosa McNally, Erica Peabody, Scott White, Jeannie Tapley, Timothy Youngfellow, Sara Deveau, Sue McLaughlin and Christopher Cain

Members Excused:

Absent:

Student Representative Present: Tabitha Blanchard and Sidney Peabody

1) The Board Chair called the meeting to order at 6:00pm and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

2) Agenda Adjustments
   a) None

3) Minutes
   a) A motion was made by Jennifer Johnston and seconded by Sue McLaughlin to approve the February school board meeting minutes. There were 2 abstentions and the motion was approved.

4) Chair Report
   a) The Chair welcomed Sara Deveau and Christopher Cain to the board.

5) Public Participation
   a) None

6) Student Representative Report
   a) Student Representative Report was given.

7) Superintendent Report
   a) The Superintendent gave an update on the current COVID situation- RSU 29 has had no close contacts for several weeks. Remote numbers continue to decline with more students returning to in-person instruction. Superintendent stated plans have begun for Senior activities such as graduation.
   b) The Superintendent stated the FY 22 budget is near completion and should be to the Board in a few weeks.
   c) Transfers/Resignations/Hires
      i) Abigail Glidden - New Hire - Speech and Language Teacher. Motion to approve was made by Stephenic Lively and seconded by Sue McLaughlin. The motion carried unanimously
      ii) Meghan Long - New Hire - Cafeteria
      iii) Caleb Carmichael - New Hire - Custodian
      iv) Aimee Flewelling - Transfer - Gr 1 to Gr 3
      v) Phlatt McLeen - Resigned - Technology Coordinator/Athletic Director
      vi) David Jones - Resigned - Custodian
      vii) Ellen Halliday - Resigned - Superintendent. Motion to accept was made by Scott White and seconded by Christopher Cain. The motion carried unanimously.
d) Superintendent announced the Spring Coaches
   MS Softball Brian Swallow
   MS Baseball Jim Castner
   MS Tennis Todd Willard
   Track and Field Christopher Rines
   Varsity Softball Travis Gentle
   JV Softball Darcy Gentle
   Varsity Tennis Nancy Mooers

8) Old Business
   a) None

9) New Business
   a) None

10) Informational Enclosure(s)
   a) Financial Statement – March 2021

11) Next Meeting Dates
   a) 5/3/21 - Finance Committee to sign warrants 5:30pm Houlton High School
   b) 5/3/21 - School Board Meeting 6:00pm, Houlton High School

12) Executive Session
   a) A motion was made by Jennifer Johnston and seconded by Sue McLaughlin to enter into executive session to
      discuss an employment related matter pursuant to 1 M.R.S.A. § 405(6)(A) The motion carried
      unanimously. Time: 6:36pm.
   b) A motion was made by Sue McLaughlin and seconded by Jeannie Tapley to leave executive session. Time:
      7:24
   c) A motion was made by Sue McLaughlin and seconded by Tammy Goetsch to authorize a contract with
      MSMA to assist RSU 29 with the Superintendent search for a maximum cost of $4,591.25. The motion
      carried unanimously.
   d) A motion was made by Sue McLaughlin and seconded by Ellen Asken to adjourn. The motion carried
      unanimously. Time: 7:25

Respectfully submitted,

[Signature]

Ellen Halliday
Secretary

NOTE: Minutes are not official until approved by the RSU/MSAD 29 School Board.