

ELLSWORTH SCHOOL DEPARTMENT  
ELLSWORTH SCHOOL BOARD MEETING  
Tuesday, January 12, 2021- 6:00 p.m.

In accordance with An Act To Implement Provisions Necessary to the Health, Welfare and Safety of the Citizens of Maine in Response to the COVID-19 Public Health Emergency, as enacted to read: Sec G-1 1 MRSA §403-A Public proceedings through remote access during declaration of State of Emergency due to COVID-19, this meeting will be live at 1 City Hall Plaza in the City Hall Council Chambers with only the School Board, Superintendent, and allowable number of ESD staff and other members of the public allowed according to the Governor's executive order and ESD Protocols for In-Person Access to School Board Meetings present. The Meeting will be broadcast live on Spectrum Channel 1303 and live streamed on the Ellsworth High School Facebook page and YouTube Page (which will be shared to the City of Ellsworth YouTube Channel). The meeting will be recorded and made available live on Spectrum Channel 1303.

Members Present: Jennifer Alexander, Chairperson, Abigail Miller, Vice Chairperson, Paul Markosian , Kelly McKenney, Elizabeth Alteri

Members Excused:

Members Absent:

Staff Present: Daniel Higgins, Superintendent of Schools  
Dan Clifford, Ellsworth High School Principal  
Erica Gabbianelli, Middle School Principal – via zoom  
April Clifford, Ellsworth Elementary School Principal  
Rachel Kohrman-Ramos, Director of Curriculum and Assessment  
Ann Sargent, Director of Adult Education  
Carol-Ann McEachern Murphy, Director of Special Education – via zoom  
Mary Martel  
Laura Johns

- A. **The meeting was called to order by Board Chairperson Jennifer Alexander at 6:00 p.m.**
- B. Pledge of Allegiance
- C. Adjustment to Agenda
- D. Approval of Minutes

**A motion was made by Paul Markosian, seconded by Abigail Miller, to approve the minutes of the December 8, 2020 School Board and December 22, 2020 Special School Board meeting as presented.**

**Vote: 5 Yes 0 No**

- E. Communications / Correspondence
- F. Public Participation (Public Comment was through e-mail to ESB Board Member Elizabeth Alteri at [elalteri@ellsworthschools.org](mailto:elalteri@ellsworthschools.org))
- G. Administrative Board Reports
  - 1. Building Administrator's Reports

Dan Clifford, EHS  
Erica Gabbianelli, EEMS 5-8 (Remote)  
April Clifford, EEMS K-4  
Ann Sargent, Director of Adult Education  
Carol-Ann McEachern-Murphy, Director of Special Education

2. Curriculum Coordinator's Report  
Rachel Kohrman-Ramos (Remote)
3. Superintendent's Report  
Daniel Higgins, Superintendent

H. Committee Reports

I. Old Business

J. New Business

1. Consideration of Teacher Nomination

**There was no nominee to present to the Board for consideration**

2. Update on Hybrid Model Instructional Programs (Discussion)

**ESD Building and District level administrators presented a status update on successes and challenges of the hybrid instructional model for students, staff, and parents.**

3. First Read of Policies

**A motion was made by Jennifer Alexander, seconded by Elizabeth Alteri, to acknowledge and accept the review of the following policies with no recommended changes as recommended by the Policy Committee:**

**AD Educational Philosophy - Mission**

**ADA School District Goals and Objectives**

**ADAA – School System Commitment to Standards for Ethical and Responsible Behavior**

**ADF – School District Commitment to Learning Results**

**BB – School Board Legal Status**

**BBAB – School Board Self-Evaluation**

**BEDB – Agenda**

**Vote: 5 Yes 0No**

**A motion was made by Kelly McKenney, seconded by Elizabeth Alteri, to accept and approve the first read of the following policies as recommended by the Policy Committee:**

**KE – Public Concerns and Complaints**

**BHC – School Board Communications with Staff**

**GBEBB – Staff Conduct with Students**

**Vote: 5 Yes 0 No**

4. **Second Read and Approval of Policies**

**There were no policies presented for a second read.**

K. **Calendar/Announcements**


Finance Committee Meeting, Wednesday January 13, 2021, 1:30 p.m. – via Zoom  
School Board Workshop, Tuesday January 26, 2021, 6:00 p.m. City Council Chambers  
School Board Meeting, Tuesday February 9, 2021, 6:00 p.m. – City Council Chambers

L. **Adjournment**

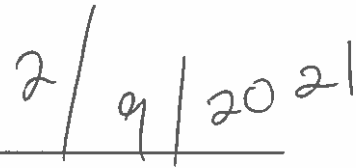
**A motion was made by Paul Markosian, seconded by Abigail Miller, having no further business, to adjourn the Board Meeting.**

**Vote: 5 Yes 0 No**

**Time: 9:07 p.m.**



Signature



Date