

**MAINE REGIONAL SCHOOL UNIT #50
REGULAR BOARD MEETING
TUESDAY, OCTOBER 11, 2022
MINUTES
SOUTHERN AROOSTOOK SCHOOL
6:30 P.M.**

Board members present: Barbara Burton, Marilyn Burton, Laura Farnsworth, Carman Lilley Stephen Porter, and Greg Ryan.

Shannon Crandall and Paula Stevens were absent.

Other staff present: April Bates, Brittany Brewer, Jeni Siltz, Elaine Small, Janet Vose and Natasha Winslow. Island Falls selectman, Tony Binotto was present

1. The meeting was called to Order at 6:30 p.m.; the Flag Salute followed.
2. Approval of the Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of September 12, 2022 and the Special Meeting of September 26, 2022.
Moved to approve by: Greg Ryan
Seconded by: Marilyn Burton
Vote: Unanimous
3. Time Period to Hear from Citizens: Tony Binotto: “Good job”
4. Adjustment(s) to the Agenda: n/a
5. Reports
 - a. Board Chair: n/a
 - b. Vice Chair: n/a
 - c. Committee Reports –
 - Building & Grounds – next meeting, Dec. 1 at 5:30 p.m.
 - Education – Nov. 3 at 5:30 p.m.
 - Finance - Warrants were circulated and signed
 - Negotiations – n/a
 - Policy – see items 7 & 8
 - Region II – no Oct. meeting, next meeting is Nov. 15.
 - d. Principals: April shared many positive highlights of the start of the school year; her report is included.
 - e. Special Services Director: Janet updated the Board with “what’s happening” and current student numbers. Janet’s report is included.
 - f. Business Manager: Natasha’s report included a printout of expenses by cost center. She reported on the recent workshop she attended. Topics included the budget approval process, review of the ED279 process, legislative updates regarding education, ACA reporting, FMLA changes, and the process for applying to the School Construction and Renovation Fund.
The upcoming audit is scheduled to begin on October 24th and will include the financial audit as well as, audits of payroll and federal funds.

g. Superintendent: Jon's report included upcoming events, testing schedules, possible future capital improvements and student recognition; it is enclosed.

6. Announcement of Appointments, Resignations, and Retirements

Middle School Boys Basketball Jon Porter

7. First Reading of Updated Policies:

AC/Nondiscrimination, Equal Opportunity and Affirmative Action

ACAA/Harassment and Sexual Harassment of Students

ACAA-R/Student Discrimination/Harassment and Title IX Sexual Harassment Complaint Procedures

ACAB/Harassment and Sexual Harassment of School Employees

ACAB-R/Employee Discrimination/Harassment and Title IX Sexual Harassment Complaint Procedures

Moved to approve by: Greg Ryan

Seconded by: Barbara Burton

Vote: Unanimous

8. Second Reading/Review/Adoption of Policies:

GCGA: Substitute Teachers and Other Support Staff

EBCA: Comprehensive Health and Safety Emergency and Management Plan

JEA: Compulsory Attendance

JHB: Truancy

Moved to approve by: Greg Ryan

Seconded by: Barbara Burton

Vote: Unanimous

9. Other Business – Old/New

- a. Request from Gayle Glidden to provide free milk for students who bring their own lunches to school. This would be a cost to the District of approximately \$1300 a year.

Moved to approve by: Greg Ryan

Seconded by: Laura Farnsworth

Vote: Unanimous

10. Future Agenda Items

Siemens' presentation at the November meeting.

11. Upcoming Meetings and Events

- Region II Board

- Early Release Day

- Delegate Virtual Meeting

- Fall Conference

- Education Committee

- Policy Committee

- Finance Committee

- Regular Board Meeting

- Region II Board

No October Meeting

October 19th

October 22 @ 9:30 a.m.

October 27 & 28

Thurs. Nov. 3rd @ 5:30 p.m.

Mon. Nov. 14th @ 5:45 p.m.

Mon. Nov. 14th @ 6:15 p.m.

Mon. Nov. 14th @ 6:30 p.m.

Tues. Nov. 15th TBA

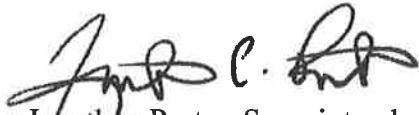
12. Adjournment:

Moved to adjourn at 7:15 p.m. by: Greg Ryan

Seconded by: Barbara Burton

Vote: Unanimous

Respectfully Submitted:

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jonathan Porter". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial "J" and "P".

Jonathan Porter, Superintendent
Regional School Unit #50

RSU 50 Superintendent Report RSU 50 Board Meeting October 11, 2022

1. Region Two Report

- a. Next Region Two Board meeting will be held on November 15 that 6:00pm

2. State Testing

Maine Comprehensive Assessment testing began this month for Grades 3-8 & 11 students. Students in these grade levels will be tested this month in the areas of Literacy/Reading, Math, and Language Usage. Students will be tested again in May 2023 to determine academic growth or progress. Grade 5, 8, & 11 students will also be tested in Science in May 2023. For more information about the Maine Comprehensive Assessment System you can lick this link: https://www.maine.gov/doe/Testing_Accountability/MECAS

3. Future Capital Improvement Projects-Air Handlers

Representatives from Siemens will be working on estimates for any additional HVAC or air quality work needed for the building. The architects have developed the demolition and replacement plans for the remaining three(3) rooftop air handlers and also the four(4) indoor air handlers in the gymnasium. Estimates will be presented at the November 2022 board meeting for your review. This information will help with future budgeting for capital improvement projects around air quality. The current air handlers are the original units installed when the building opened.

4. Student Recognition

Daughters of the American Revolution (DAR) Good Citizens Award-Jennah Brooks Class Officers-Grade 9

President:	Bryce Bates
Vice President:	Dillon Bishop
Secretary:	DJ Kuindersma
Treasurer:	Ryder Curry
Student Council:	Ally Shields Kason Lawlor

Grade 10

President:	Rylee Webb
Vice President:	Sarah London
Secretary:	Mackenzie Lilley
Treasurer:	Jacob Ellingwood
Student Council:	Libby Anderson Olivia Engebretson

Grade 11

President:	Cami Shields
Vice President:	Austin Cotier
Secretary:	Bailey Vose
Treasurer:	Brennan Burpee
Student Council:	Dylan Burpee Tristen Hardy

Grade 12

President:	Callie Russell
Vice President:	Madison Russell
Secretary:	Shayna McMannus
Treasurer:	Alyssa Crandall

Student Council:

Jannah Brooks
Jayniece Wenzloff

5. Upcoming Events

PAST Testing for Grades 9-11 students	October 12, 2022	
Region Two Superintendent Advisory Mtg.	October 14, 2022	8:30am
MELMAC Peer Learning Session	October 17, 2022	
Early Release Day	October 19, 2022	
MSMA Fall Conference-Augusta	October 27-28, 2022	
After-school Program Trunk or Treat	October 28, 2022	5:00-7:00pm

Respectfully Submitted:

Jon Porter, RSU 50 Superintendent
10/11/2022

Elementary Report
Board Meeting
10/11/22

The elementary has had a successful start to the school year. Here are some of the highlights.



“Stomp out Bullying!” The elementary school is pictured here wearing blue to celebrate the beginning of October being the Anti Bullying Month.

All School Morning Meeting



These two pictures are from our September All School Morning Meeting. Students and staff are happy to have this monthly ritual back! It has always been our tradition to have a parade through the elementary school so that students can see each other's classrooms. During these monthly meetings, students participate in the flag salute, a greeting, an activity, and a celebration of the month's birthdays. Students are invited to wear their Halloween costumes for the October Morning Meeting.

Field Trip to Treworgy's



K-2 Students went to Treworgy's Family Orchard last Thursday. It was a beautiful day, and each student was able to pick an apple and a pumpkin. They also received a treat of homemade apple spiced donuts with apple cider. Students were able to feed the goats and watch them play. They will be cooking with apples and pumpkin this Thursday and Friday.

Conferences

90 percent of our families attended last Thursday and Friday's PreK-5 conferences. Most were in-person conferences. Teachers will reschedule those that couldn't attend.

NWEA Testing

K-5 students have completed their NWEA testing as of today.

Fourth Grade Science



Fourth graders in Mrs. Starrett's class is testing roller coasters to determine how height and distance affects the energy of the roller coaster.

Special Ed Report 10/11/22

What's Happening:

- Mrs. Lawlor and Mrs. Merry attended safety care training and are both trainers now. They will train the rest of the support staff and any teachers wanting it, on the next workshop days.
- We have recently filled the long term sub again in the HS resource room.
- We have an UMPI student shadowing in the special ed department as part of her 200 observation hours to get her ed tech certification through UMPI.
- I've started the MADSEC Leadership meetings as well at the regional meetings. We will be doing both a mix of in person and online. During the winter months they will be virtual but while it's good they will be in person.
- MADSEC fall directors conference is Oct 27-28th in Portland. I will be attending. I am taking Brittany Brewer with me. There are some really good sessions for transition plans, CTE courses and special education as well as Unified Sports.

Meetings

IEP = 10

504 = 0

Numbers

IEP = 74

504 = 10

Total = 84