RSU 29
SCHOOL BOARD MEETING MINUTES
July 12, 2021

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

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

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

2) Agenda Adjustments:
   a) A motion was made by Jennifer Johnston and seconded by Susan McLaughlin to add item 3b. The motion carried unanimously.

3) Minutes
   a) A motion was made by Scott White and seconded by Stephenie Lively to accept the June 23, 2021 school board meeting minutes. The motion carried unanimously.

4) Chair’s Report
   a) The chair welcomed Superintendent Richard Lyons to the district.

5) Public Participation
   a) None

6) Student Representative Report
   a) Rep. Tabitha Blanchard explained that she and Ellie Grant have been accepted into the William Cohen Institute for leadership and public service at UMaine.

7) Superintendent’s Report
   a) Superintendent acknowledged the work of the Board and thanked them for their dedication. Superintendent has met some staff and toured most buildings, and looks forward to seeing the students when school is back in session.
   b) Superintendent provided the Board with information regarding L.D. 798 Immunization Requirements for the 2021-2022 School Year. This denotes a major change in the immunization law. There will be no exemption for philosophical and/or religious reasons.
   c) Superintendent discussed the School Revolving Fund SRRF, explaining that the program has been rejuvenated with funding appropriation. There is a “grant” component and a loan at 0%.
   d) Superintendent presented the DRAFT job description of the Business Manager position.
   e) Superintendent will present RSU 29’s current vacancies and recommendations to fill open positions at the August 2nd meeting.

8) Old Business
   a) None

9) New Business
   a) None
10) Informational Enclosures

11) Next Meetings/Dates
   a) August 2, 2021 – Finance Committee to sign warrants 5:30pm Houlton High School
   b) August 2, 2021 – School Board Meeting 6:00pm, Houlton High School

12) Adjournment
   a) A motion was made by Rosa McNally and seconded by Sue McLaughlin to adjourn. The motion carried unanimously. Adjournment at 6:23pm

13) At 6:25pm a motion was made by Stephenie Lively and seconded by Jennifer Johnston to reconvene. The motion carried unanimously.

14) A motion was made by Sue McLaughlin and seconded by Jennifer Johnston to create, post and advertise the Business Manager position. The motion carried unanimously.

15) A motion was made by Rosa McNally and seconded by Jennifer Johnston to adjourn. The motion carried unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 6:35.

Respectfully submitted,

Richard Lyons
Secretary

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