

MAPLE RUN UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

MINUTES

Date: January 19, 2022 6:00 PM

In-Person Location: Central Office - Boardroom
28 Catherine St.
St. Albans, VT 05478

Remote Location: ZOOM -

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89059528051?pwd=WU5QTGhrSGpOL1RJV0hXUUZIMmlDUT09>

Board Members present for the quorum in-person – Peter Deslauriers

Board Members present for the quorum remotely – Grant Henderson, Jack McCarthy, Joanna Jeros, Alisha Sawyer, Nina Hunsicker, Al Corey, Susan Casavant Magnan, Nilda Gonnella-French, Katie Messier

Board Members not present for the quorum –

Administrators present in-person – Martin Kattam, Bill Kimball

Administrators present remote – Martha Gagner, Andrea Racek, Joan Cavallo, Kelsey Malboeuf, John Muldoon, Angela Stebbins, Casey Provost, Sara Kattam, Leeann Wright, Brett Blanchard

Visitors present in-person –

Visitors present remote – Reier Erickson, Kate, Mike Campbell

1. Call to Order – Meeting was called to order at 6:01 p.m.

2. Agenda Review – Agenda was accepted with no objection.

3. Pledge of Allegiance

4. Visitors - none wished to speak.

5. Consent Agenda – Consent agenda was adopted with no objection.

A. Approval of January 5, 2022, January 6, 2022, and January 10, 2022 Minutes

B. Media Packet

6. Old Business

A. COVID Update (Bill Kimball) – Bill explained the changes and definitions for school COVID guidelines. Positive cases are becoming overwhelming for contact tracing. Staffing levels continue to be a struggle.

B. Implicit Bias & Anti-Racism Training – Design Team is coming back together, planning for in-person exchange sometime in March or April, COVID dependent.

C. Negotiations –

Al Corey made a motion to move Negotiations to Executive Session because premature knowledge would place the Board Committee at a substantial disadvantage; second by Grant Henderson. Motion carried.

Al Corey made a motion to enter Executive Session at 6:24 p.m.; second by Grant Henderson.

Exited Executive Session at 6:40 p.m.

7. New Business

A. FY23 Budget (Martha Gagner) (ACTION) - Martha explained all four drafts of the budget. Nilda asked how to make it so there is no tax increase, Bill said we would need to do a \$700,000 cut to the budget. 6.47% would be the equalized pupil from the current proposed 8.12%. Al, Susan, Nilda, Katie, Jack, Peter, Joanna, Grant, Nina, Bill, and Martha discussed this possible change.

Al Corey made a motion to approve the FY23 budget as presented on January 19, 2022 in the amount of \$64,797,075; second by Jack McCarthy.

Grant Henderson yea, Nilda Gonnella-French no, Jack McCarthy yea, Joanna Jerosé yea, Alisha Sawyer yea, Nina Hunsicker no, Peter Deslauriers no, Katie Messier no, Susan Casavant Magnan yea, Al Corey yea. Motion passed 5-4-0.

B. FY22 Warning (ACTION)

Al Corey made a motion to accept the presented Warning with an Informational Hearing date of February 23, 2022 at 6:00 p.m.; second by Jack McCarthy.

Grant Henderson yea, Nilda Gonnella-French yea, Jack McCarthy yea, Joanna Jerosé yea, Alisha Sawyer yea, Nina Hunsicker yea, Peter Deslauriers yea, Katie Messier yea, Susan Casavant Magnan yea, Al Corey yea. Motion carried unanimously.

C. Budget Information Plan (Bill Kimball) – Bill explained what has and can be done.

D. Set Highschool School Choice Numbers (ACTION) - SY 21-22 numbers were 40 students going out and 32 to come in.

Al Corey made a motion to set the Highschool School Choice number for SY 22-23 40 students going out and 35 coming in; second by Jack McCarthy.

Grant Henderson yea, Nilda Gonnella-French yea, Jack McCarthy yea, Joanna Jerosé yea, Alisha Sawyer yea, Nina Hunsicker yea, Peter Deslauriers yea, Katie Messier yea, Susan Casavant Magnan yea, Al Corey yea. Motion carried unanimously.

8. Other Business

A. Warrants (ACTION) -

Al Corey made a motion to approve the warrants, acknowledging that passage of this motion will act as authorization and signature of any individual Board Members participating remotely; second by Joanna Jerosé.

Grant Henderson yea, Nilda Gonnella-French yea, Jack McCarthy yea, Joanna Jerosé yea, Alisha Sawyer yea, Nina Hunsicker yea, Peter Deslauriers yea, Katie Messier yea, Susan Casavant Magnan yea, Al Corey yea. Motion carried unanimously.

B. Superintendent Report – Bill stated there was not anything more to add.

C. Board Announcements - none

9. Agenda for Future Meetings – Goal setting, Governance

10. Potential Executive Session none

11. Adjourn – Meeting was adjourned at 7:41 p.m.