RSU29
School Board Meeting Minutes
February 7, 2022 6:00pm.
Place: Houlton High School Auditorium

Members present: Fred Grant, Erica Peabody, Scott White, Sue McLaughlin, Tammy Goetsch, Sara Deveau, Christopher Cain, Jeannie Tapley, Jennifer Johnston, Stephenie Lively, Margaret York & Ellen Askren
Members absent: Timothy Youngfellow

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

2. Agenda Adjustments
   a. No adjustments

3. Minutes
   a. A motion was made by Jeannie Tapley and seconded by Jennifer Johnston to accept the January 3, 2022 School Board Meeting Minutes. The motion carried unanimously.
   b. A motion was made by Stephanie Lively and seconded by Tammy Goetsch to accept the January 24, 2022 School Board Meeting Minutes. The motion carried unanimously.

4. Chair's Report
   a. A motion was made by Sue McLaughlin and seconded by Scott White to produce a monthly newsletter, to the community, from the RSU 29 School Board. Members Erica Peabody and Jeannie Tapley volunteered to help with the project. The motion carried unanimously.
   b. A motion was made by Sue McLaughlin and seconded by Jeannie Tapley to set up Zoom with other school boards in Aroostook County either quarterly or bi-annually. The motion carried unanimously.

5. Student Representative Report
   a. Student Representatives presented their reports to the Board.

6. Old Business
   a. A motion was made by Scott White and seconded by Jennifer Johnston to discuss, as a slate, the second reading of Policies;
      GBN: Family & Medical Leave,
      GBEBB: Staff Conduct with Students
      JHR: Truancy
      JIC: Student Code of Conduct
      GBGB: Workplace Bullying. The motion carried unanimously.
      A motion was made by Stephenie Lively and seconded by Tammy Goetsch to approve, as a slate, the second reading of the above policies. The motion carried unanimously.
   b. A motion was made by Sue McLaughlin and seconded by Jeannie Tapley to approve the second reading of the 22-23 school calendar. The motion carried unanimously.

7. New Business
   a. A motion was made by Jennifer Johnston and seconded by Scott White to establish both a Lacrosse and Unified Basketball club sport. The motion carried unanimously.
   b. Discussion was held regarding representation on Emergency Management Plan Committee Sue McLaughlin and Scott White volunteered for the committee.
8. Superintendent's Report
   a. Superintendent provided updated information regarding the current status of COVID cases within the district. The discussion included information regarding outbreak status qualifications.
   b. Discussions included information regarding outbreak status qualifications.
   c. Superintendent informed the Board of the following resignations/retirements Deborah Melvin, Linda Goodall, Sarah Howland, Andrea Tidd, Julie Dunn, Jolayne Mathers & Kim Carpenter.
   d. Masking Protocol was discussed.

9. Public Participation
   a. Members of the public were provided the opportunity to address the Board.

10. Informational Enclosures
    a. January Financial Statement

11. A motion was made by Christopher Cain and seconded by Scott White to enter into Executive Session per M.R.S.A. 1 §(6)(D) to discuss negotiations. The motion carried unanimously.
    Time: 7:15p.m.
    A motion was made by Scott White and seconded by Jeannie Tapley to exit Executive Session.
    The motion carried unanimously.
    Time: 8:22p.m.

12. Next Meetings/Dates
    a. March 7, 2022 – Finance Committee to sign warrants 5:30 p.m., HMHS Auditorium
    b. March 7, 2022 – School Board Meeting 6:00 p.m., HMHS Auditorium

13. Adjournment
    a. A motion was made by Sue McLaughlin and seconded by Jeannie Tapley to adjourn. The motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Richard Lyons
Secretary

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