

**Wiscasset School Department  
School Committee Meeting Agenda  
November 13, 2018  
WMHS Library, 6:00 pm**

1. The meeting was called to order at 6:00 pm by Chairman Dunn

2. Pledge of Allegiance

3. Roll Call      Jason Putnam                                  Michael Dunn  
                   Desiree Bailey                                      Michelle Blagdon  
                   Indriani Demers

4. Adjustments to Agenda

    4.1 Resignation to 10.1

    4.2 New hire move to agenda item 10.2.c

5. Accept October 9, 2018 School Committee Meeting Minutes (**action required**)

**\*Motion** - To accept October 9, 2018 Committee Meeting Minutes as written made by J. Putnam, second I. Demers, 5-0 passed.

6. Approval of Policies

    No policies to review

7. Superintendent's Report

Superintendent Wood reported that she met with Brian Rancourt from Siemens, Inc. He will be attending the School Committee meeting in January to talk about the completion of the energy project. She also shared that she had a meeting with stakeholders from the Sheepscot Regional Education Program during which they toured the facility at WMHS - they were very impressed.

The Policy Committee met to talk about the discipline policies - their goal is to make sure the policies being reviewed are consistent. The Policy Committee will be bringing policies to the December meeting for first read.

Live fire drills happened on October 30 at both schools - very few issues came up and things went pretty smoothly.

Parent/teacher conferences went well at both schools but Superintendent Wood shared that she was hoping to see more parents sign up.

Jesse Hinman, WMHS STEM Teacher, did a demonstration about drone class with WGME which will be aired at a date to be announced.

Attended MSMA fall conference along with M. Blagdon and D. Bailey.

7.1 MSMA Fall Conference - D. Bailey and M. Blagdon report

Michelle reported that she attended special education seminars at the conference. D. Bailey reported that she was able to gain a better understanding of what the role of the School Committee is and was thankful for the opportunity to attend. Was also able to take a budget class where they had to cut 2% out of a budget.

#### 7.2 Superintendent Evaluation Tool

Superintendent is required to be evaluated in December, School Committee members were given a copy of the tool to review.

#### 7.3 Budget Discussion

Superintendent Wood provided a budget development calendar outline and asked members to email Stacey when they could confirm that the workshop dates work with their calendars.

#### 8. Leadership updates

Updates from each administrator provided in Committee Member's binders

#### 9. Old Business

#### 10. New Business

##### 10.1 Resignation Marsha Emery

**\*Motion** - To accept the resignation as presented made by M. Blagdon, second I. Demers, 5-0 passed.

##### 10.2 New Hires

###### a. Becky Hallowell - Grade 4 classroom teacher (**action required**)

**\*Motion** - To accept the nomination of Becky Hallowell as presented made by D. Bailey, second M. Bailey, 5-0 passed.

###### b. Jamie Jones - Varsity Boys Basketball Coach

###### c. Neal Goldberg - JV Boys Basketball Coach

##### 10.2 WMHS Field Trips

###### a. French class trip to Quebec City - presentation by Irene Marchenay (**action required**)

Irene Marchenay, French Teacher, reports that the French III class is so excited to attend the trip to Quebec. It will be a 4 day trip, the rental of the bus is the most expensive part of the trip. Mt. Ararat and possibly Freeport will be joining as well. The French class will be doing fundraising including an indoor garage sale on December 1.

This trip will be with Promotour, Ms. Marchenay has not worked with Promotour before, but she contacted 4 different companies and Promotour offered the most reasonable and most comprehensive security. They have a good reputation.

**\*Motion** - To approve the French III trip to Quebec and allow the students to fundraise for the trip made by M. Blagdon, second I. Demers, 5-0 passed.

### 10.3 District wide preliminary test scores -

Patricia Watts, Curriculum Coordinator, provided a chart that speaks to MEA data for the district- there is work to do based on the scores. Administrators will be meeting to set new goals. Superintendent Wood shared that for her the biggest concern are the math scores - will be looking at what the strategic plan for the district is, going forward. This will be part of the State report card on the school. Special Education Director Prince states that Wiscasset School Department has a much higher percentage of special education students at 25% where very few schools have such a population.

### 11. Public Comment

No public comment

### 12. Adjournment at 6:44 pm.

Respectfully Submitted by Stacey Souza, Administrative Assistant



