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REGULAR SCHOOL BOARD MEETING MERLE E. PEACOCK, JR. BOARD ROOM

Thursday, April 6, 2023

5:00 p.m.

DRAFT MINUTES

Present: Becky Fles, Chair; Anthony Veit, Vice Chair; Jeff Hanley; Matthew Lillibridge (arrived 5:15); James Lothridge; Cullen McGough; Chris McLaughlin; Jack Pitteroff (left 6:36); Molly Rogers; Elissa Tracey; and Patricia Hopkins, Superintendent of Schools

Student
Representatives: Sophie Mathieu

Absent: Meaghan Carlson; Alyssa Henderson

Swearing in of newly elected School Board Members 0:07:22 – 0:10:44

I. Call to order 0:10:45 – 0:11:27

A. The Superintendent declared a quorum present and called the meeting to order at 5:06 p.m.

II. Introduction 0:11:27 – 0:13:28

- A. Board Members
- B. Administrative Staff
- C. The Pledge of Allegiance
- D. Public Comment

III. Election of Chair and Vice Chair 0:13:29 – 0:15:03

A. Nomination by Elissa Tracey, seconded by Jack Pitteroff to elect Becky Fles, School Board Chair. The board agreed to close nominations for School Board Chair.

Motion by Elissa Tracey to elect Becky Fles, School Board Chair, seconded by Jack Pitteroff.

Voted: 12,463 – 0

Student Vote: 1 - 0

Motion Carried.

- B. Nomination by James Lothridge, seconded by Jack Pitteroff to elect Anthony Veit, School Board Vice Chair. The board agreed to close nominations for School Board Vice Chair.

Motion by James Lothridge to elect Anthony Veit, School Board Vice Chair, seconded by Jack Pitteroff.

Voted: 12,463 – 0

Student Vote: 1 – 0

Motion Carried.

IV. Review and Approval of Agenda/Minutes

0:15:04 – 0:16:13

- A. Prioritization of items and alteration of the established agenda format sequence as needed.
B. Approval of Agenda

Motion by Anthony Veit to approve the agenda as written, seconded by Molly Rogers.

Voted: 12,463 – 0

Student Vote: 1 – 0

Motion Carried.

- C. Approval of Minutes of Previous Meetings:
- Regular School Board Meeting – March 2, 2023
 - Special School Board Meeting (Expulsion Hearing) – March 16, 2023
 - School Board Workshop – March 16, 2023

Motion by Elissa Tracey to approve the minutes of the Regular School Board Meeting, the Special School Board Meeting (Expulsion Hearing), and the School Board Workshop, seconded by Jack Pitteroff.

Voted: 12,463 – 0

Student Vote: 1 – 0

Motion Carried.

V. Recognition and Celebrations

0:16:14 – 0:17:02

- A. Nicole Madore, years of service on School Board
B. Welcome New Board Members

VI. Correspondence

0:17:03 – 0:17:13

- A. Resignation letter received from Jeanne Moody, Varsity Cheering Coach, Gardiner Area High School effective March 8, 2023
B. Resignation letter received from Kristen Pray, Freshman Girls Basketball Coach, Gardiner Area High School effective March 19, 2023
C. Resignation letter received from Sara Caplan, Grade 6 - Social Studies Teacher, Gardiner Regional Middle School effective at the end of the 2022-2023 school year
D. Resignation letter received from Tabbitha Johnston, Grade 4 Teacher at Helen Thompson School

VII. Committee Reports

0:17:14 – 0:50:16

- A. Capital Area Technical Center Advisory Committee
- B. Curriculum Committee – March 14, 2023
- C. Dropout Prevention Committee – March 21, 2023
- D. Finance Committee Meetings –
 - March 7, 2023
 - March 14, 2023
 - March 21, 2023 – Meeting canceled
 - March 28, 2023
 - ❖ 2023-2024 Proposed Budget Update
- E. Policy Committee – March 2, 2023

First Reading - Policies

- EBCA Comprehensive Health and Safety Emergency Plan
- EFE Competitive Food Sales-Sales of Food in Competition with the School Food Service Program
- EFE-E Chapter 51: Child Nutrition Programs in Public Schools – RESCIND
- EGAD Copyright Compliance
- EGAD-R Copyright Compliance Administrative Procedure
- IHBEAA LAU Plan
- IHBAI Independent Evaluations
- IHBAG Programming in the Least Restrictive Environment
- IHBAG-R Programming in the Least Restrictive Environment – Administrative Procedure

First Reading – Job Descriptions

- Literacy Specialist
- Educational Technician III – Title I Math and Reading

Motion by Anthony Veit to move the above policies and job description to a second reading, seconded by Molly Rogers.

Voted: 12,463 – 0

Student Vote: 1 – 0

Motion Carried.

- F. Student Representatives Report
- G. Administrator Reports – March 2023 report
- H. Wellness Committee – No Meeting

VIII. Ad Hoc Committees

0:50:17 – 0:51:46

- A. Hoch Field Committee

IX. General Information

0:51:47 – 0:51:51

- A. Cindy Languet, Administrative Assistant - Evening, Adult Education
- B. Staff Transfers – 2023-2024 school year
 - Juliet Shagoury transfer from Library Ed Tech III to Kindergarten Teacher, Helen Thompson School

- C. Reminder – Barcelona, Madrid, and Andalusia Trip – Gardiner Area High School
April 14 – 25, 2023 (Peru trip originally approved by Board on January 6, 2023)
- D. Spring Coaches – Gardiner Area High School
 - Tim O'Brien, JV Girls Lacrosse Coach
 - Skye Cotnoir – Volunteer Girls Lacrosse
 - Cole Lawrence – Volunteer Baseball Coach

X. Nominations 0:51:52 – 0:52:48

- A. Patricia Salvadori, English Language Arts Teacher – Grade 8, Gardiner Regional Middle School - \$77,302

Motion by Matthew Lillibridge to approve the above nomination by the Superintendent, seconded by Anthony Veit.

Voted: 12,463 – 0

Student Vote: 1 – 0

Motion Carried.

XI. New Business 0:52:49 – 0:52:50

- A. None

XII. Old Business 0:52:51 – 0:55:20

- A. Strategic Planning Update

XIII. Reports 0:55:21 – 1:04:33

- A. Board Chair
 - None

- B. Superintendent
 - Snow Day update – June 15th Early Release Day
 - KVSA Showcase – April 13, 2023, 9:30 – 11:30
 - UMA Job Fair – April 12, 2023, 10:00 – 2:00
 - Central Office Schedule for April Break
 - AASA State Leaders Conference in San Diego – April 19 – 23, 2023
 - American Rescue Plan Grant Update
 - Special School Board Meeting – Monday, April 10, 2023 at 5:00 p.m.

XIV. Executive Session 1:04:34 – 1:42:27

- A. Executive Session to discuss negotiations with the Gardiner Teachers' Association – 1 M.R.S.A. 405 § (6)(D)

Motion by Diane Potter to enter executive session at 5:59 pm, seconded by Matthew Lillibridge.

Voted: 12,463 – 0

Motion Carried.

Exited Executive Session at 6:36 pm (Jack Pitteroff left meeting).

Motion by James Lothridge to ratify the contract with the Gardiner Teachers' Association, seconded by Anthony Veit.

Voted: 11,585 – 0

Motion Carried.

XV. Adjournment

1:42:28 – 1:42:29

Meeting adjourned at 6:37 pm.

Attest a True Record,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Patricia Hopkins', is written over the text 'Attest a True Record,'.

Patricia Hopkins
Secretary