

to the community. The Wiscasset Elementary Open House will be on September 19 from 6-7 pm.

8.2 Chuck Lomonte, WMHS

Principal Lomonte announced that WMHS is off to fantastic start as well. WMHS accomplishments include: welcoming 38 6th graders; establishing leadership team to discuss school improvements; welcoming 2 exchange students. Fall sports are in full swing and Lomonte is proud that 88 students are participating. The collaboration between Boothbay and Wiscasset coaches for boys soccer and cross country is going really well. Ryan and Natalie Potter (students) - honored 9/11 by welcoming students to school in their firefighting gear. September 28 is community service day for all WMHS students. Homecoming is 9/28 and 9/29.

8.3 Susan Prince, Special Education

Special Education Director Prince shared that she is enjoying Wiscasset School Department and is proud of the staff. There are currently 132 special education students, thirty (30) 504 students, 5 students in Anchor program. A new teacher has just been added to the the Anchor program. Prince reports that we are still looking for 6 ed. techs. in the school department.

8.4 Pat Watts, Curriculum Coordinator

Ms. Watts reported that she has attended workshops on data, new teacher orientation, IXL training (math program), and leadership team meetings. For teacher professional development, there is a series of workshops coming up - working with struggling readers in middle high school 4 teachers will be attending.

8.5 John Merry, Maintenance and Transportation

Merry reported a really great opening for the school year. Bus routes are working out well. Bus inspections happened in August, and we will need to replace a bus. Energy project is at 85% completion; October 26 is the target date for 100% completion. The next project is the need to replace fuel distribution center at the bus garage. Merry has advertised for plowing bids for district - has received 3 calls.

8.6 Lorie Johnson, Food Service - Absent

8.7 - Abigail Lourie - Director of the Anchor Program reports that there are currently 5 students in the program with 8 on waiting list - will build as able with staff. There are 2 new teachers in the program. Lourie explained that the Advisory Board is made up of the superintendents in the program. She reports that the new facilities are beautiful - 2 classrooms, students are very comfortable.

9. Old Business

9.1 Telephone Infrastructure work (**action required**)

Superintendent Wood reports that GCom had worked with Superintendent Wilmot on the first phase of the telephone infrastructure project. Teachers will have phones in classrooms, and there will be 3 servers, 3 routers and various ports. This must be done as MLTI contract will be running out and Wiscasset School Department will need to have its own servers. This was E-rate reimbursed. Would like a vote to go into the next phase of the project (start the cabling). Total cost around \$109,670 but will be reimbursed \$48,763.

***Motion** - To continue with the next phase of the GCom project made by I. Demers, second D. Bailey, 5-0 passed.

10. New Business

10.1 Resignations

- a. Jonathan Waldo - Ed. Tech. III - WMHS
- b. Caitlin Ramsay - Ed. Tech. III - WES

10.2 New Hires

- a. Charles Lomonte, WMHS Principal
- b. Warren Cossette, Assistant Principal
- c. Kathleen Bridges - Ed. Tech. III - WES
- d. Robert Applebee - Assistant Athletic Director
- e. Andrea Lovell - Teacher, Anchor Program **(action required)**

***Motion** - To hire Andrea Lovell for teacher in the Anchor program as recommended by Superintendent Wood made by J. Putnam, second M. Blagdon, 5-0 passed.

10.3 Substitute pay **(action required)**

Superintendent Wood shared that in order to stay competitive with other districts, she would recommend increasing WSD substitute rates as outlined in Committee members' binders.

*** Motion** - To increase sub pay as proposed made by M. Dunn, second M. Blagdon, 5-0 passed.

11. Enter into executive session for legal counsel (1 MRSA Sect. 405(6)(E))

***Motion** - To enter into executive session made by M. Dunn, second M. Blagdon, 5-0 passed.

No action taken

12. Enter into Executive Session regarding staff negotiations per MRSA Title 1, Section 405(6)(d). **(action required to enter session)**.

No action taken

13. Public Comment - M. Dunn moved to prior to executive session.

Deb Pooler from WMHS asked everyone at audience to come to homecoming and distributed a schedule of events. She shared that the WMHS Student Council met with Chamber of Commerce who asked them what they want most of all and students shared that they want community members to attend their functions.

14. Adjournment

Respectfully Submitted by Stacey Souza, Administrative Assistant