

MSSA School Nutrition Committee
Tuesday, June 11, 2019 – 10:00 a.m.
Conference Call Meeting Minutes

Members present via Go to Meeting: Regan Nickels and David Murphy

Members absent: Tim Doak, Andrew Dolloff and Susan Pratt

Others present: Eileen King and Walter Beesley

1. Introductions - Walter Beesley from Child Nutrition Services, DOE
We have moved same phone number
136 State House Station, Augusta, ME 04333-0136
2. Recommendations -
Chapter 051 was appealed no requirement to set max price. We are still encourage lunches be a reasonable price. Student max has been \$3.00 in the past.
3. Other topics of interest USDA Changes -
5 year review cycle Admin reviews from 3year
procurement reviews also will be a 5 year cycle (same districts)
4. Professional standards for food service -
12 hours/year for Director Food Service Department
10 hours/year manager
6 hrs staff > 20hrs /week and 4hrs staff less then 20hrs/week
5. Price lunch equity (PLE) law -
Schools charging less then 3.00 per student lunch will need to complete the PLE tool
6. Maine topics -
Whole grain requirement is still 100%
 - LD 167 Shaming bill creating a FAQ
 - LD 497 swine bill
 - LD 541 food waste/ donations/share table
7. Dates -
August 15th agreement and participation documents (NEO)
August 12-13 Back to Basics (new directors focus)
September 17 review training
September 18 Verification training
October 10 Fall Informational meeting
May Food Service Tri-State is in VT this year.

Food Shaming

What constitutes food shaming?

The law prevents public schools from:

- denying a reimbursable meal to an otherwise eligible student who requests it;
- requiring a student to throw away their meal after it has been served to them;
- requiring a student to perform chores or work as a means of paying for one or more meals or as punishment for not paying for one or more meals;
- refusing a meal as a form of or as part of a disciplinary action; or
- openly identifying or otherwise stigmatizing a student who cannot pay for a meal or has payments due for a meal.

The meeting adjourned at 10:24 a.m.