

R.S.U. No. 67 BOARD OF DIRECTORS
Regular Board Meeting
MINUTES
Wednesday, September 2, 2020
Virtual Meeting via Zoom, 6:30 pm

In accordance with An Act To Implement Provisions Necessary to the Health, Welfare and Safety of the Citizens of Maine in Response to the COVID-19 Public Health Emergency, as enacted to read: Sec. G-1. 1 MRSA §403-A Public Proceedings Through Remote Access During Declaration of State of Emergency Due to COVID-19, R.S.U. 67's Meeting of the Board of Directors will be conducted through a ZOOM meeting. If you wish to join the meeting remotely, please follow this link to the live video conference.

The Zoom Link is Below.

EMPOWERING LEARNERS FOR TODAY AND TOMORROW

<https://zoom.us/j/94802868100?pwd=WXBWd3VQY0NnaDhYa3pTKytQUmEzUT09>

Board of Directors: Board Chair Dianne Buck, Board Vice Chair Rebecca Hanscom, Linda Brown, William Chubbuck, William Davis, Jasmine Folster, Diane Jipson, Diana Lambert, Patricia Nobel, Mary Plourde, Brian Sweep, Jeremy Weatherbee, Student Representative

Members absent: Diane Jipson, Jasmine Folster

Members late:

R.S.U. No. 67 Staff in attendance: Superintendent Jean Skorapa, Administrative Assistant Rosemarie Clark

Guests present:

A. Call to Order

Linda Brown_x__ Dianne Buck_x__ William Chubbuck_x__ William Davis_x__
Jasmine Folster__ Rebecca Hanscom_x__ Diane Jipson__ Diana Lambert_x__
Patricia Nobel_x__ Mary Plourde_x__ Brian Sweep_x__ Jeremy Weatherbee_x__

B. Pledge of Allegiance

C. Adjustments to the Agenda – Remove item K5.

D. Consent Agenda Action Items marked ** will be voted as part of the Consent Agenda. Any Board member wishing to have an item removed from the Consent Agenda may do so.

Motion to approve the consent agenda item – E1

Motion: Director M. Plourde

Second: Director D. Lambert

Discussion: None

Vote: Unanimously approved. Motion passed.

Linda Brown__x_ Dianne Buck_x_ William Chubbuck_x_ William Davis_x_
Jasmine Folster__ Rebecca Hanscom_x_ Diane Jipson__ Diana Lambert__x_
Patricia Nobel_x_ Mary Plourde__x_ Brian Sweep_x_ Jeremy Weatherbee_x_

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E. Consideration of the minutes of

1. Wednesday, August 19, 2020, School Board Meeting via Zoom*

F. Communications

G. Public Participation

H. Committee Reports

- 1. Region III Committee Report** – Director D. Lambert mentioned that on August 12th they went over the re-opening plan and approved this school years calendar.

I. Student Representative’s Report

J. Board Chair Report

- 1. Boardmanship Training: Maine School Management – September 30, 2020 at 6:30 p.m.**

K. Superintendent’s Report

- 1. New hire Carrie Bolduc, Mattanawcook Jr. High School, Education Technician II for the 2020–2021 school year (One year only).**
- 2. New hire David Baker, Ella P. Burr Special Education Technician I, for the 2020-2021 school year.**
- 3. New hire Patty Jordan, Mattanawcook Jr. High, SNP worker for the 2020-2021 school year.**
- 4. New hire Crystal Willette, Ella P. Burr, Special Education Technician II, for the 2020-2021 school year.**
- ~~5. New hire Tracie Murchinson, Mattanawcook Jr. High School, Education Technician II for the 2020–2021 school year. (1 Year Only)~~**
- 6. Long-Term Substitute 8th Grade ELA Teacher Russell Phillips effective September 1, 2020.**
- 7. Resignation from Dominick Foster, Mattanawcook Jr. High 8th Grade Social Studies Teacher effective, August 31, 2020.**
- 8. Internal Transfer, Matthew Brown Mattanawcook Jr. High, from 5th Grade ELA/SS to 8th Grade Social Studies for the 2020-2021 school year.**
- 9. Return to School 2020-2021 Update** – Superintendent J. Skorapa briefed the board that this Friday we will be informed by the Department of Education if Penobscot County remains green. Skorapa mentioned that she will keep the board informed. Skorapa also mentioned that we are closely watching on any new information put out by the Maine CDC.
- 10. Fall Athletics** – Superintendent Skorapa shared that the MPA, DOE and CDC continue to work on guidelines for fall athletes. In addition the area Superintendents are continue to meet to discuss fall sports. Skorapa mentioned that she will keep the board informed and the information becomes available.
- 11. Donations** – Superintendent Skorapa shared that we received water bottles from the National Guard and from the Census Bureau. We received 300 handmade face masks for the students at EPB from Mrs. Dione from Apache Jct. Arizona. Lincoln Maine FCU donated a check for \$3000 to support our remote learning efforts.

- 12. Staff recognition** – Superintendent Skorapa thanked the Custodial staff for their phenomenal job preparing the buildings. Skorapa also thanked Dennis Lowell and Dave Ham for working diligently to prepare the bus routes with limited seating and multiple runs.

Motion to have RSU No. 67 schools follow the color guidance put out by the Maine CDC and Maine Department of Education.

Motion: Director B. Sweep

Second: Director P. Nobel

Discussion: The board had a discussion on the terms to follow the recommendations from the Maine CDC and the Maine Department of Education.

Motion to withdraw the above motion.

Motion: Director B. Sweep

Second: Director P. Nobel

Vote: Unanimously approved. Motion passed.

Linda Brown__x_ Dianne Buck_x__ William Chubbuck_x__ William Davis_x__

Jasmine Folster__ Rebecca Hanscom_x__ Diane Jipson__ Diana Lambert__x_

Patricia Nobel_x__ Mary Plourde__x_ Brian Sweep_x__ Jeremy Weatherbee_x__

L. Old Business

M. New Business

1. Motion to accept the Superintendent’s nomination of Abigail Whittier, Mattanawcook Jr. High School 5th Grade Social Studies/ELA Teacher for the 2020-2021 school year.

Motion: Director W. Chubbuck

Second: Director M. Plourde

Discussion: None

Vote: Unanimously approved. Motion passed.

Linda Brown__x_ Dianne Buck_x__ William Chubbuck_x__ William Davis_x__

Jasmine Folster__ Rebecca Hanscom_x__ Diane Jipson__ Diana Lambert__x_

Patricia Nobel_x__ Mary Plourde__x_ Brian Sweep_x__ Jeremy Weatherbee_x__

2. Motion to accept the Superintendent’s recommendation to enter into executive session according to 1 M.R.S.A. § 405 (6)(B) to discuss Student Discipline.

Motion: Director D. Lambert

Second: Director M. Plourde

Discussion: None

Vote: Unanimously approved. Motion passed.

Linda Brown__x_ Dianne Buck_x__ William Chubbuck_x__ William Davis_x__
Jasmine Folster___ Rebecca Hanscom_x__ Diane Jipson___ Diana Lambert__x_
Patricia Nobel_x__ Mary Plourde__x_ Brian Sweep_x__ Jeremy Weatherbee_x__

Time in: 7:48 p.m. Time out: 8:06 p.m.

Motion to authorize the Superintendent to execute a student expulsion agreement and expel a student from school pursuant to 20-A M.R.S.A. Section 1001 (9), subject to the condition provided for in the agreement, on the grounds that such expulsion is necessary for the peace and usefulness of the schools.

Motion: Director B. Sweep

Second: Director J. Weatherbee

Vote: Unanimously approved. Motion passed.

Linda Brown__x_ Dianne Buck_x__ William Chubbuck_x__ William Davis_x__
Jasmine Folster___ Rebecca Hanscom_x__ Diane Jipson___ Diana Lambert__x_
Patricia Nobel_x__ Mary Plourde__x_ Brian Sweep_x__ Jeremy Weatherbee_x__

N. Announcements

1. School Board Meeting, Wednesday, September 16, 2020, 6:30 p.m., (Virtual Meeting via Zoom)
2. Boardmanship Training: Maine School Management, September 30, 2020 at 6:30 p.m. (Via Zoom)

O. Future agenda items:

P. Adjournment:

Motion: Director M. Plourde

Second: Director W. Chubbuck

Vote: Unanimously approved. Motion passed.

Time: 8:22 p.m.

Linda Brown__x_ Dianne Buck_x__ William Chubbuck_x__ William Davis_x__
Jasmine Folster___ Rebecca Hanscom_x__ Diane Jipson___ Diana Lambert__x_
Patricia Nobel_x__ Mary Plourde__x_ Brian Sweep_x__ Jeremy Weatherbee_x__

NOTE: Items may be added or deleted from the agenda by a unanimous vote of Board members present and voting. No new business will be undertaken after 10:00 p.m. unless the Board votes unanimously to extend the meeting beyond 10:00 p.m. by outlining remaining agenda items to be discussed or placed on the next regular board meeting agenda.

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NOTE: Backup videos of the meeting are available for viewing on the district web site at www.rsu67.org *Denotes backup material included in Board packet

Respectfully submitted,

Jean Skorapa

9-4-20

Jean Skorapa
Superintendent of Schools

Date