

RSU 23 Board Minutes

**RSU #23 Board Meeting held at Old Orchard Beach Town Hall on
February 10, 2015 at 6:00 p.m.**

Meeting Called to Order

Superintendent Lloyd Crocker called the meeting to order at 6:02pm. Present: Jerome Plante, Carol Marcotte, Peter Flaherty, Stuart Hogan, Michelle Violette and Superintendent Lloyd Crocker.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited

Approval of Minutes

A motion was made by Jerome Plante and seconded by Michelle Violette to accept the minutes from the January 13, 2015 board meeting as written. Voted unanimously. Motion approved.

Adjustments to the Agenda

Chairperson Marcotte added to old business the second reading of the Concussion Policies and the Wellness Policies.

Correspondence

A motion was made by Stuart Hogan and seconded by Michelle Violette to accept letter of resignation of Mark Nadeau. Voted unanimously. Motion approved.

Public Session

None

Superintendent's Report

2014-2015 Budget is still under a discretionary freeze through the remainder of the year.

2015-2016 Budget is ready for presentation to the School Board. Our present budget is \$12.3 million dollars and we have a budget that we will be presenting that is reflecting a 3% increase. We have a Budget workshop tomorrow night at the Loranger library at 6pm and a second meeting that has been rescheduled for February 24th at the Loranger library at 6pm.

We have a meeting with Sue Reed regarding a Pre-K program that is rescheduled for March 3rd.

Our facilities committee met with Oak Point and Harriman architects. We are waiting for their bids to come in.

Meghan Ward and Barbara Fletcher are working on a presentation to present to the Board on Proficiency Based education. This is scheduled for March 5th at 3pm at the Loranger library.

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The town and school department are continuing to work on sidewalk accessibility issues with the recent storms. We only have one sidewalk plow that was under repair and we have been working closely with Larry Mead to ensure we are doing what we can so students can get to school safely.

There have been minor discussions of 3rd grade moving to Loranger for the 2015-2016 school year. We have to be creative with space in order to meet all the needs of the students in our K-8 grades, as well as the potential Pre-K program.

Chairperson's Remarks

We appreciate the fiscal responsibility that we have towards the town and providing a responsible budget. We are grateful for the town's support. We would also like to thank the town and public works for working closely with us to ensure that we are getting students to and from school safely; as well as the understanding from parents.

Board Presentation

Jameson

Barbara Fletcher updated that Jameson school has been working on many items. Their PBIS team is meeting regularly and planning Monday assemblies. Themes covered are friendship, being thankful, diversity, empathy, and heroes. The team is also planning monthly Time with Teachers.

The PLCs (professional learning community) has been meeting to work on meeting the needs of all students. Some topics covered are a positive school culture, instructional budget development, awards assembly planning, and maintenance needs. In a meeting with LMS PLC leadership, discussion topics have been strategies for improving student attendance and combining PBIS and Restorative Practices.

Loranger School Update

Mike Flaherty reported that second quarter award assemblies were held for grades 6, 7, & 8 on Friday, February 6 to recognize students for their academic achievements and school attendance.

The York county Junior High Music Festival was held and featured a dozen Loranger students.

Kids Night Out event is being planned for 4th and 5th grade and another very successful dance was held for the middle school

The Loranger School Interact Club and Student Council, in conjunction with OOB 365 is hosting the Just for Kids Carnival during our upcoming school vacation on Thursday, February 19 from 9am-2pm.

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Loranger PTO is currently running two fundraisers. Shoparoo is an app-based fundraiser, which will require some time before we see a benefit from it, and they are also planning a flowerpowerfundraising.com program in the coming weeks.

OOB HS Update

John Suttie reported that the High School has been working on assessments for what students need to know for the testing and that the teachers are working with students to ensure that all required work is turned in.

Smarter Balanced testing dates are as follows for the high school – Language Arts – May 12-14, Math – May 19-21, and Science – May 6th.

The SAT's will be offered at the High School on April 15th at no cost for any Junior wishing to take them.

The High School is currently working on their course offerings for next year. They are changing what is currently offered for the 9th and 10th grade course work.

Students took the Youth Health Survey and Mr. Suttie will pass the results along to the board as soon as they are available.

NEASC was postponed due to snow and has been rescheduled for March 3.

On February 25, coffee with the Principal will be held at the high school with emphasis on the new mission and vision statements.

Abby Dubois is not going to be able to speak at this meeting due to being at the basketball game and will hopefully be present at the next meeting.

Old Business

Chairperson Marcotte will read the title of each policy and the board will approve if there are no additional changes.

A motion was made by Michelle Violette and seconded by Peter Flaherty to approve policy JL – School Department Wellness policy.

A motion was made by Michelle Violette and seconded by Peter Flaherty to approve JJIF – Management of Concussions and other Head Injuries.

A motion was made by Michelle Violette and seconded by Peter Flaherty to approve JJIF-E – School Department concussion Information Sheet.

A motion was made by Michelle Violette and seconded by Peter Flaherty to approve JJIF-R – Academic Expectations During Post Concussion Recovery.

New Business

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None

Committee Reports

None

Executive Session

Enter Executive Session

A motion was made by Michelle Violette and seconded by Stuart Hogan to enter Executive session at 6:50pm for the purpose of discussion of evaluation of public official; Superintendent of Schools with possible action, 1M.R.S.A. § 405(6) (A). Voted unanimously. Motion approved.

Adjourn Executive Session

A motion was made by Michelle Violette and seconded by Stuart Hogan to exit Executive Session at 7:12pm and re-enter into regular session. Voted unanimously. Motion approved.

Action as a Result of Executive Session

A motion was made by Stuart Hogan and seconded by Peter Flaherty to amend the Superintendent's contract to include dental insurance and revise travel stipend. Voted unanimously. Motion approved.

Adjournment

A motion was made by Stuart Hogan and seconded by Michelle Violette to adjourn the meeting at 7:14pm. Voted unanimously. Motion approved.

Minutes prepared by:

Pam Ouellette,
Transcriber

Respectfully submitted by:



Lloyd Crocker,
Superintendent