

# RSU 23 Board Minutes

RSU #23 Board Meeting held at Old Orchard Beach Town Hall on  
May 17, 2018 @ 6:00 p.m.

## **Meeting Called to Order**

David Boudreau called the meeting to order at 6:00pm. Present: David Boudreau, Christopher LaSalle, Peter Flaherty, Stu Hogan, Carol Marcotte, Cierra Albert (student rep) and Superintendent, John Suttie.

## ***The Pledge of Allegiance was recited***

## **Approval of Minutes**

A motion was made by Stu Hogan and seconded by Christopher LaSalle to accept the minutes from the April 26, 2018 board meeting. Voted unanimously. Motion approved.

## **Adjustment to the Agenda**

Addition of the Nomination of Food Service Director.

Addition of approval of the copier/printer/maintenance contract.

## **Correspondence**

None

## **Public Session**

John Suttie spoke of Sandy Welzel and her retirement. She has been employed in our district for 26 years as a speech language therapist. Good luck Sandy on your new adventure.

Tim O'Connor spoke of projected Title IA and Title IIA funds for the FY 19 school year. Our contributions are expected to be \$269,280 and \$37,185. These funds are used to fund two interventionist at Jameson and two teachers at Loranger.

## **Superintendent's Report**

John spoke of the resignations we have received; Rachel Presby, Michael Burke, Kaitlyn Marston, Anne Bischoff, Emily Blazek, Sean Moore, and Dustin Levesque. He thanked them for their service to the students and OOB schools and wished them well in their future endeavors. All budget line items passed on Tuesday and the next step is for the public to vote on Tuesday, June 12<sup>th</sup>. Graduation is Sunday, June 3<sup>rd</sup> at 2:00 at the Seaside Pavilion and all are invited. This is his favorite day of the year. He also encouraged the public to check out our website as we have tons of things going on this time of year and all are listed there.

## **Board Presentation**

Cierra stated that they are officially in the last stretch of school. It's crazy we have only 4 weeks left of school. Seniors are working on their internships and the senior trip. They are going whitewater rafting. She hopes no one falls out. The band is scheduled to march in the Memorial Day Parade. Annual awards night in the gym on May 31<sup>st</sup> as well as the senior dinner. May 11<sup>th</sup> was field day and all students enjoyed themselves. Thank you to boosters for a great afternoon. Thank you for all those who

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helped with the prom. Good luck to all the athletes competing in sporting events tomorrow. Baseball record is 4-7 and softball record is 2-8.

Carol Marcotte, Joanne Dowd and Mary Fagan presented the district strategic plan.

## **Old Business**

None

## **New Business**

A motion was made by Peter Flaherty and seconded by Carol Marcotte to approve the RSU 23 strategic plan as presented. Voted unanimously. Motion Approved.

A motion was made by Stu Hogan and seconded by Peter Flaherty to accept Sandy Welzel's retirement letter. Voted unanimously. Motion Approved.

A motion was made by Christopher LaSalle and seconded by Stu Hogan to accept the nomination of Pam Pothier as the Technology Director. Voted unanimously. Motion Approved.

A motion was made by Peter Flaherty and seconded by Stu Hogan to accept the nomination of Caroline Trinder as Food Service Director. Voted unanimously. Motion Approved.

A motion was made by Stu Hogan and seconded by Peter Flaherty to approve the Dean of Students job description as presented. Voted unanimously. Motion Approved.

A motion was made by Peter Flaherty and seconded by Stu Hogan to accept probation II teachers: Jameson School: Katelin Bonney, Rebecca Decosta, Morgan Johnson, Natasha Jordan, Sarah Welch and Ashley MacDonald. Loranger: Graciela Lamy and Judith Milligan. OOB HS: Aimee Thompson, Tony Lucchese, Emma Horowitz, Sarah Jaffe, Erin Wheaton, and Charles Muller. Probation III Teachers: Jameson: Casie Levesque, Jen MacDonald, and Robert Duane. Loranger: Jaclyn Dickerson and Mary Fagan. OOB HS: Chad Denis, Emily Haines, Jaqueline Hayes, Patrick Sylvia and Jason Henry. Continuing Teachers: Jameson: Cynthia McDorely and Bethany Rocheleau. Loranger: Jessica Groleau and Marion Walrath. OOB HS: Lindsay Artes, Mark Oliver, Nate Rende and Deron Sharpe. Voted unanimously. Motion Approved.

A motion was made by Stu Hogan and seconded by Christopher LaSalle to approve policies IJNDD: Student Organization Websites and GBEEA: Use of Social Media by School Staff as written. Voted unanimously. Motion Approved.

A motion was made by Stu Hogan and seconded by Peter Flaherty to accept the copier/printer/maintenance contract as presented. Voted Unanimously. Motion Approved

## **Committee Reports**

Dave reported on the finance committee. They met earlier in the month and they will be meeting early in June to open bids for the special education bus. They also met with vendors for the copier contract. They opened the bids and made some adjustments. They are below budget on what we

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are doing the next five years for the copiers. Newer equipment coming in and it's better than before. I would like to make a motion to approve the contract. We have met for negotiations and are now going into mediation for both.

Peter reported on the building committee. We are waiting with bated breath to hear from the state where we stand for possible funding. We are not holding out a lot of hope but it would be wonderful to get some funding. Once we hear from them we have an action plan and we are all just waiting to get the word. We have a plan to move forward whatever the outcome is.

Chris reported on the technology committee. We did not actually meet this month, however, we did hold interviews for the technology director and it was pretty unanimous for Pam and we are pretty excited.

Carol wanted to thank everyone for the vote on the strategic plan.

## **Board Remarks**

Stu stated that last week's prom went off without a hitch except for the mass gathering at Laurel Hill cemetery. Biddeford students arrived at the same time. He had the pleasure of having the ballpark as our home field for High School baseball and to top that off he had his father, brother and son Eric sitting together. Brother hadn't been in park since Dwight Gooden pitched.

Peter stated that he loves the fact that they had the prom at Dunegrass. Loved that it was local, and it looked like they had a really good time. He would encourage anyone that hasn't been to the pavilion in OOB for graduation to check it out. It is an awesome venue and we are lucky to have that. Best of luck to the seniors and go out and make something of yourself.

Carol wanted to say congrats to the upcoming graduation and looking forward to it. We are in the stretch of it and there is so much more to do. Keep doing a great job you are doing because you have a tall task.

Chris wanted to say congratulations to Sandy again. 26 years in a district is amazing. Good luck to her and relax. Congrats to strategic planning team. You did an excellent job. Thank you for the invitation to the senior internship presentations.

Dave wanted to thank everyone that came out Tuesday for the vote. The school board didn't ask for anything more this year than they did last year and we are very proud of that. Graduation is coming up soon. Scholarships are great for our students here every year and I hope the students appreciate that and that they all applied for them. Every once in awhile we get a letter from parents, staff members or community with issues that you want to address with us. He would appreciate it if people would sign it. He can't address an anonymous letter. It would be helpful to know who wrote the letter and send one to the superintendent as well.

## **Executive Session**

None

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## Adjournment

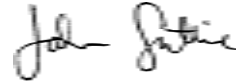
A motion was made by Stu Hogan and seconded by Peter Flaherty to adjourn the meeting at 6:48 PM. Voted unanimously. Motion approved.

Minutes prepared by:

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Helene Stevens,  
Transcriber

Respectfully submitted by:



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John Suttie,  
Superintendent