

RSU 23 Board Minutes

RSU #23 Board Meeting held at Old Orchard Beach Town Hall on
December 19, 2019 @ 6:00 p.m.

Meeting Called to Order

David Boudreau called the meeting to order at 6:00pm. Present: David Boudreau, Peter Flaherty, Michelle Violette, Sally Beatty, and Superintendent John Suttie.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited

Approval of Minutes

A motion was made by Michelle Violette and seconded by Sally Beatty to accept the minutes from the November 21, 2019 board meeting. Voted unanimously. Motion approved.

Adjustment to the Agenda

None

Correspondence

None

Public Session

None

Superintendent's Report

John discussed that we lost a past teacher, Michael Angelosante, who worked for our district for several decades. He worked with Mike the first three years he was here. Mike was a great history teacher who engaged generations of young men and woman in our district. He contributed a lot to our district and community. He also ran the pier for many decades and has been a fixture in town for a very long time. Our deepest sympathies to Marlene, Shauna and Barb. The OOB community certainly mourns the loss of Michael Angelosante. Back to our schools. Each school now has a room or some type of storage for essentials. Everything from clothes, to socks, to food that are available in our buildings. When our supplies run low, we have great businesses out in the community, that have donated to our schools and students. I want to let folks know that if you know a child that may need a warm jacket, boots, food or school supplies, each school now has a room you can access those things. We are very proud to be able to provide that to families in need. Our holiday concerts are underway. Our LMS concert was last night that I was fortunate to attend. It was a great show. Congratulations to George Shabo and Trevor Lavenbein. After this meeting tonight at 7:00PM will be our High school Concert. Budget season is well on its way. Public roll out is set for February 25th at 6:00 in the town chambers.

Board Presentation

John Suttie & Joanne Dowd reviewed the strategic plan, discussed what has been accomplished and where the vision is going from this point on. (Please refer to video for whole presentation)

Old Business

None

New Business

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A Motion was made by Peter Flaherty and seconded by Sally Beatty to approve policies; GCOA: Teacher Evaluation Policy, GDN: Evaluation of Support Staff, GBAA-R1: Bloodborne Pathogens ECP and EEA: Student Transportation as written. Voted unanimously. Motion approved

Committee Reports

Dave reported out on the finance committee. They met today. The base of the meeting was to review the audit that we got the report for last board meeting. We discussed the student activity funds, how we monitor those and how we are going to correct some of the things the auditors pointed out. We will have more to report at the next meeting on that.

Peter reported out on the building committee. We will be installing a new boiler motor at Jameson school over the holiday break. It is a custom piece and very expensive. We have also ordered the stalls in the 3-5 bathrooms at LMS, which will be installed over the February break. As we move up the State list for a new school and taking into consideration how old our schools are, we really have to be careful what we put money into. These two items were necessities.

The technology committee did not meet this month. They will be meeting in the next few weeks.

Board Remarks

Michelle gave her sincere condolences to the Angelosante's and the community. She thanked everyone, students included for all they do every day, especially this time of year. Wished everyone a safe and happy holiday season.

Peter reported he had fun at the schools the last couple of days. He attended the concert at LMS the other night and it was awesome. The place was packed. George and Trevor had the crowd engaged and did a great job. Today, he went to lunch with Sally at LMS. We sat with some wonderful students. Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

Sally spoke about how she started the day in Mrs. Day's 5th grade class where they had their holiday spirit program that was provided by her students. They were all engaged and happy to share their work. It was very enjoyable. We had lunch and we were seated with the most enjoyable group of 6th graders and a couple of 8th grade students. They entertained them the entire time from singing them raps songs, photography, and playing basketball. The kids were very engaged and entertaining. She had a fun day visiting the schools. She wished everyone a merry Christmas and a very well rested and enjoyable break.

Dave wanted to say thank you to everyone for all they do. This is the time you go and enjoy your families and put this aside for the moment.

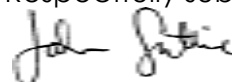
Adjournment

A motion was made by Peter Flaherty and seconded by Michelle Violette to adjourn the meeting at 6:39PM. Voted unanimously. Motion approved.

Minutes prepared by:

Helene Stevens,
Transcriber

Respectfully submitted by:



John Suttie,
Superintendent