RSU 23 Board Minutes



RSU #23 Board Meeting held at Old Orchard Beach Town Hall on December 21, 2017 @ 6:00 p.m.

Meeting Called to Order

David Boudreau called the meeting to order at 6:01pm. Present: David Boudreau, Christopher LaSalle, Peter Flaherty, Stu Hogan, 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 November 16, 2017 board meeting. Voted unanimously. Motion approved.

Adjustment to the Agenda

None

Correspondence

A motion was made by Stu Hogan to nominate David Boudreau as School Board Chair and seconded by Peter Flaherty. Voted unanimously. Motion Approved.

A motion was made by David Boudreau to nominate Peter Flaherty for School Board Vice-Chair and seconded by Stu Hogan. Voted unanimously. Motion Approved.

Public Session

None

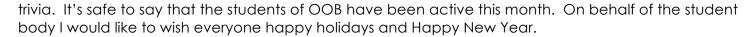
Superintendent's Report

John stated that he wanted to wish everyone happy holidays. We have had a great start to the school year. I'm very proud of our staff and students. It will be our last meeting of 2017. Budget timeline is available on our website. Next month we are going to go through the budgets with the principals and then in February 27th at 6:00PM in LMS library. All departments will be presenting their budgets to the school board. The district budget workshop will be Tuesday, April 10th at 6:00PM. Any time during these months that you want to get involved as a taxpayer in OOB please contact me or Mr. Boudreau. If you have a question or comment or just want to attend the public workshops. The January school board will be moved to the 25th (the fourth Thursday in January).

Board Presentation

Cierra wished everyone a happy December or happy end of December. Today marks the day that students K-12 start their holiday vacation. This has been a long month and much anticipated by all staff and students. Winter sports are in full swing. The girls and boys basketball teams have been working hard and the attendance at home games has been outstanding. Students were making Christmas cards to give to their teachers before break. Last week we had an ugly sweater fundraiser to raise money for the local food pantry. Students have applied to the National Honor Society. The quiz show traveled to Augusta. OOB competed against Bangor in a friendly match of game show

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Old Business

None

New Business

None

Committee Reports

Dave reported out on the finance committee who met today. A few things, we had a bid for one of our used vans, and that went out. Others were the old buses, which no one bid on them so we are moving along to dispose of them properly. We discussed the upcoming budget process that Mr. Suttie went over. If anyone has any questions please contact Mr. Suttie or myself. I don't expect any curveballs this year. We are in good shape. We are moving along back on our plan. Of course, there will be no over budgets. Last month when the auditors came they had some things we needed to work on and those things have been put in place.

Peter reported on the building committee who we did not meet this month but we will be meeting next month. We want to discuss the site visit we had from the state as well as a cost analysis and any costs we would like to have in this year's budget

Board Remarks

Stu wanted to wish everyone a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year. Thank you Mr. Suttie for your holiday card. Congratulations to all those at the high school who gave been accepted early to colleges.

Peter wanted to wish everyone a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year. I noticed everyone I saw today associated with the school system had smiles on their face. It is very, very busy time of year. Administrators, kids and everyone need this break. Cierra had a nice article in the newspaper on Sunday about attending a small school and the benefits. Another good job.

Chris wanted to say thank you to the public for electing him to the board. It is exciting and an honor to be a part of it. I have attended a couple of events the last couple of weeks. One was the PTO craft fair that was at Loranger and it was packed. It looked like it was a big success. The feeling of community being there was great. I also had the opportunity to see the middle and high schools do their winter concerts. Thank you to the band and chorus directors for putting that all together.

Dave wanted to welcome our new member and hopefully it will be a painless transition. We are continually negotiating with a union right now. It is moving but slowly. We will continue to plug away. Thank you to Mr. Suttie for doing most of the work last few months. In our packet there was an update about the New York City trip from a student at OOB high school. It was pretty neat to see it from a student's perspective. I appreciate that update in our packet. From the boosters: basketball season is here. They are looking for a lot of help to work the games. They do give out scholarships and one of the criteria's they look at is volunteering or community service.

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Committee assignments have been decided and will be put on website w/email addresses so the public can find them if they need to.

Executive Session

None

<u>Adjournment</u>

A motion was made by Stu Hogan and seconded by Peter Flaherty to adjourn the meeting at 6:28 PM. Voted unanimously. Motion approved.

Minutes prepared by:	Respectfully submitted by:
	John Postic
Helene Stevens,	John Suttie,
Transcriber	Superintendent