RSU 23 Board Minutes



RSU #23 Board Meeting held at Old Orchard Beach Town Hall on April 26, 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, 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 Peter Flaherty to accept the minutes from the March 15, 2018 board meeting. Voted unanimously. Motion approved.

Adjustment to the Agenda

None

Correspondence

None

Public Session

John Nye and some students got up and spoke of the importance of keeping certain staff and positions.

Superintendent's Report

John gave a presentation on the new website and some of the key features of navigating the site.

Board Presentation

Cierra stated that April has been a breeze and she can't believe we are already approaching May and the end of the year activities. Congratulations to the Jazz Choir for receiving third place. Congratulations to Meghan Niedzwiecki. She received student of the month for rotary club. She also just recently received the Maine Principals Association award. Spring sports are finally in their regular season. Prom committee is busy working on the prom, which will be May12th. It is currently red ribbon week. All students got t-shirts this week at lunch to promote drug awareness. May 7th-11th senior final exams. Good luck to all student taking the AP exams and seniors on their finals.

Old Business

None

New Business

A motion was made by Peter Flaherty and seconded by Stu Hogan to approve the proposed 2018-2019 RSU 23 budget as presented. Voted unanimously. Motion Approved.

A motion was made by Stu Hogan and seconded by Chris LaSalle to make Wednesday, May 2, 2018 a full student day. Voted unanimously. Motion Approved.

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A motion was made by Stu Hogan and seconded by Peter Flaherty to approve the IRS compliant agreement of the RSU 23's 403 (b) plan as presented. Voted unanimously. Motion Approved.

Peter Flaherty did the first readings of Policies IJNDD: Student Organization Websites and GBEEA: Use of Social Media by School Staff.

Committee Reports

Dave reported on the finance committee. They did not meet due to the budget workshops we have had so we will have a report next month.

Peter reported on the building committee. They plan to have a meeting sometime in the month of May as soon as they get the report from the State.

Chris reported on the technology committee. They met at the beginning of April and had a solid agenda coming in. Of high importance we will be moving to 1:1 chrome books for all high school students and then buying the ipads and distributing them amongst the lower grades. Also the focus was on the new technology director.

John reported on the strategic planning committee. They have been meeting monthly since September to create a 5 year plan and it will be presented to the board in May for adoption.

Board Remarks

Chris wanted to say thank you to the folks that came out and talked tonight, particularly the students that came out. He applauds them for doing that. Congratulations on the RSU 23 website. Very easy to use and the district wide calendar is wonderful. He knows it was a lot of work getting it set up and transferred over. Congrats to the jazz choir on their 3rd place win. Good luck to the students taking the AP exams.

Peter stated that he also wanted to congratulate the young students that stepped up to the podium tonight. Good job. The sports program, he is wishing everyone good luck this season. He stated he cannot stress to the seniors enough that the applications for scholarships are due Friday. Make sure you get them in so you don't miss the opportunity to get money.

Stu stated that he cannot say anything more then what Peter and Chris said. Congrats to the jazz members and good luck with the testing students will be having soon. Also to Cierra in participating in her first outdoor track meet and her three events.

Dave reiterated what the fellow board members said about students standing up. Also, they approved the budget tonight. As most of you know this process starts in December and it's not a small task. He wants to commend all those involved and the hard work you have done with what you have put together for next year. Just a reminder in May, that we have the public hearing on the budget. Seniors, next month there are a lot of exciting things going on and it will go fast. Up to \$77,000 this year is being given away for scholarships. I hope all the seniors take advantage of that.

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Executive Session

None

Adjournment

A motion was made by Stu Hogan and seconded by Chris LaSalle to adjourn the meeting at 6:40 PM. Voted unanimously. Motion approved.

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