

# RSU 23 Board Minutes

RSU #23 Board Meeting held at Old Orchard Beach Town Hall on  
August 23, 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 and Superintendent, John Suttie.

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

## **Approval of Minutes**

A motion was made by Stu Hogan and seconded by Chris LaSalle to accept the minutes from the June 21, 2018 board meeting. Voted unanimously. Motion approved.

## **Adjustment to the Agenda**

Remove approval of ISS Job Description, remove approval of Sarah Jenkins & Andrea Johnson and add approval of Elizabeth King.

## **Correspondence**

None

## **Public Session**

None

## **Superintendent's Report**

John spoke of how we are back and it was a very busy summer. It was busier than most in terms of hiring and changes in our district. Biggest change in the district is that central office staff have moved up to the high school and adult ed is now at the white house, next to Jameson School. Teachers report on Monday for two days of professional development, K-9 report Thursday, and 10-12 start Thursday. He received a phone call from Scott Brown the other day (Maine school construction). The news he gave is that we will be 12<sup>th</sup> on the list for a long time. The last time they did the list was 10 years ago. They will not do another list for 10 more years. It could be up to 8 years before we get the call that our application is good to go. Will need to maintain buildings until then.

## **Board Presentation**

None.

## **Old Business**

None

## **New Business**

A motion was made by Peter Flaherty and seconded by Stu Hogan to accept new hires; Nicole Arey – LMS Special Education Teacher, Grace MacLean – LMS 7<sup>th</sup> grade Math Teacher, Melissa West – LMS Library Media Specialist, Elizabeth King – Special Education Teacher, Alexandra Kantro-OOB HS English/ELL Teacher, Jonathan Spath – OOB HS .5 Math Teacher, Rebecca Briano- JES Special

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Education Teacher, and Jen MacDonald – JES Kindergarten Teacher as presented. Voted unanimously. Motion Approved.

A motion was made by Stu Hogan and seconded by Chris LaSalle to approve policies; KLG: Relations with School Resource Officers and Law Enforcement Authorities, KLG-R: Relations with Law Enforcement Authorities, KLGA: Officer Presence in the Schools as presented. Voted unanimously. Motion Approved.

A motion was made by Chris LaSalle and seconded by Stu Hogan for the addition of Adult Ed copier to our existing RSU 23 lease. Voted unanimously. Motion Approved.

## **Committee Reports**

Dave reported on the finance committee. We met a few weeks ago, opened bids for trucks, and reviewed numbers from last year. We are carrying over a good amount of money to work with this year. Great job budgeting and spending. With that being said we are doing some other things. As a goal of mine since we continue to do well we could possibly ask the town next year for no increase. That is an achievable goal. We are not freezing budgets. We are in a really good place because of all the hard work people have done. Still tracking spending monthly. Hopefully there are no surprises that come up.

Peter reported on the building committee, which consists of Mr. Lasalle, myself and Mark at this time and based on what we just heard from the state that we may be looking at 7 or 8 years. I hate thinking about that. The budget may be affected because two of our buildings are in pretty bad shape. The building needs committee is going to have to get very active soon. Focus next month (Sept. 4<sup>th</sup>) will be what are needs are in terms of maintaining our buildings at this point. Town of OOB is very supportive of the schools.

Chris reported on the technology committee, which met yesterday and it was their first meeting with the new director, Pam. He was really impressed with all the updates and things we have done over the summer. The phone system has been updated so all classrooms will have an extension. We talked about all the new copiers and printers. They have been installed at this point. We have a regularly scheduled meeting now and we will be meeting once a month.

## **Board Remarks**

Carol wanted to express appreciation and thank you for all your hard work. She is curious to see the student scores from the DOE.

Chris stated that there is a different kind of energy around the start of the school year as a school board member. Thank you to staff for all the hard work they did to get everything ready.

Peter stated he was very impressed with all the new hiring that has happened. We have acquired some great people. Shout out to Mark and all the work that he has done with the gym. Wish all the teachers a great school year.

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Stu stated that he hopes everyone had a great summer and looks forward to hearing your reports as the school year progresses

Dave wanted to welcome to all the new hires and the administration here. Welcome to a great community. Hope everyone has a great first day of school. Welcome all the kids back here.

## **Executive Session**

None

## **Adjournment**

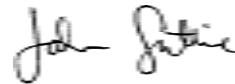
A motion was made by Stu Hogan and seconded by Peter Flaherty to adjourn the meeting at 6:45 PM. Voted unanimously. Motion approved.

Minutes prepared by:

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Helene Stevens,  
Transcriber

Respectfully submitted by:



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John Suttie,  
Superintendent