

RSU 23 Board Minutes

RSU #23 Board Meeting held at Old Orchard Beach Town Hall on
January 17, 2019 @ 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, Michelle Violette, Carol Marcotte and Superintendent John Suttie.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited

Approval of Minutes

A motion was made by Michelle Violette and seconded by Peter Flaherty to accept the minutes from the November 29, 2018 board meeting. Voted unanimously. Motion approved.

Adjustment to the Agenda

Remove policy GBGAA-R1: Bloodborne Pathogens from the agenda as we had two samples of the same policy and decided to go with the other one.

Correspondence

None

Public Session

None

Superintendent's Report

John spoke about the opportunity to meet with the new commissioner of education in Maine, Pender Makin. She met with the York and Cumberland County superintendents in South Portland. She is a great champion for students, teachers, administrators and all educators in Maine. We will see a change in their response time to us starting this year. She signaled me out to talk about OOB High School and our academic achievement the last three years. That is a great thing. I want to talk a little about the building committee. We have had an extensive roof inspection recently and we have a lot of work that needs to be done. We have three buildings with various stages of roof repair. Tuesday, February 26th at 6:00 is our district public budget workshop at the LMS library. Hope to see you all there.

Board Presentation

Joanne Dowd reviewed the MEA score results and how they translate for us. Overall our students and staff are working hard to improve score results in all areas.

Barbara Fletcher spoke of the proposal to have LMS all on the same bell schedule for next year. She expressed how this change would make things so much easier for staff, students and administration and how they would feel like more of a community than they do this year. The school board members expressed their concerns with this idea as well as proposed a focus group be created to problem solve and get parents thoughts on it.

Hannah LaCourse spoke about how this month midterms are currently taking place. Basketball teams have had a great start. The concert band wrapped up semester one. Congratulations to this month's

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student of the month, Amy Nguyen. Good luck to the students participating in the district 1 honors festival.

Old Business

None

New Business

Peter Flaherty read first readings of policies FF: Naming Facilities, GBGAA: Bloodborne Pathogens, GBAA-R1: Bloodborne Pathogens ECP (All Staff), and EFD: Meal Charge Procedures.

A motion was made by Peter Flaherty and seconded by Michelle Violette to accept policies EEAEF: Video Cameras on Transportation Vehicles, ECAD: Security Camera System, and ECAD-R: Security Camera System Administrative Procedure as written. Voted unanimously. Motion approved.

Committee Reports

Dave reported out on the finance committee. We will be meeting tomorrow (1/18/19). Everyone has been getting their monthly budget updates and if you have any questions please see Cindy.

Peter reported out on the building committee. We had a very productive meeting last week. G & E roofing company prepared a report of the needs of the entire district's roofs. They analyzed all of our roof structures and created a 5-year plan on how they would suggest we deal with the issues. We haven't decided how to go about that yet, but now we know where the problems are. Now we are going to sit down and make decisions on how to proceed.

Chris reported out on the technology committee. We met this week and some highlights were about staff devices. A lot of them are aging out. The high school staff have the oldest devices and are going to be issued first. Air macs will be used through the 2019-2020 school year and then staff will be involved in a piloting program to choose new devices. We have E-rate funds available to spend and we are eligible for 8% reimbursement. We will be ramping up our Wi-Fi systems with this. There is a lot of stuff going on and a good time to take advantage of those funds. We will be meeting again next month.

Board Remarks

Carol wanted to wish everyone a Happy New Year! Thank you to everyone and their hard work. Thank you for the wonderful MEA report. There is a lot of hard work overall in the whole district and we just keep on moving on. Thank you parents for supporting our students.

Michelle wanted thank everyone for their hard work. That is inclusive of the parents. Thank you to the JES school, Lisa St. Louis and kindergarten classes I observed on Monday. She recommended to anyone wanting to, to go and observe. She felt very welcomed. Everyone works very hard. We could benefit from volunteers down there. The more hands on deck the better with the little ones.

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Chris wanted to thank everyone that showed up tonight. Being engaged and listening is good for all of us, the students, and the community. Good luck to the students on the last of the midterms. He attended both holiday concerts at LMS and the high school. They were wonderful. The Wreaths Across America stopping at Jameson was amazing. Also, the PTO craft fair was a huge turnout. Great event. Congrats to PTO for putting that on.

Dave wanted to remind people that our February and April board meetings were changed because they fell on the vacation weeks.

Peter wanted to say thank you to Barb and Joanne for their presentation tonight. He also wanted to tell Hannah she is doing just as good a job as her brother did.

A motion was made by Chris LaSalle and seconded by Michelle Violette to enter into executive session at 7:15 to discuss negotiations per M.R.S.A. §405(D)

Executive Session

A motion was made by Peter Flaherty and seconded by Peter Flaherty to exit executive session at 7:40PM. Voted unanimously. Motion approved.

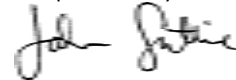
Adjournment

A motion was made by Peter Flaherty and seconded by Chris LaSalle to adjourn the meeting at 7:40PM. Voted unanimously. Motion approved.

Minutes prepared by:

Helene Stevens,
Transcriber

Respectfully submitted by:



John Suttie,
Superintendent