

# RSU 23 Board Minutes

RSU #23 Board Meeting held at Old Orchard Beach Town Hall on  
November 21, 2019 @ 6:00 p.m.

## **Meeting Called to Order**

David Boudreau called the meeting to order at 6:00pm. Present: David Boudreau, Peter Flaherty, Chris LaSalle, 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 Chris LaSalle to accept the minutes from the September 26, 2019 board meeting. Voted unanimously. Motion approved.

## **Election of Chairperson & Vice-Chairperson**

A motion was made for Dave Boudreau to be chair and Chris LaSalle to be vice-chair.

## **Adjustment to the Agenda**

Peter Flaherty read the Code of Ethics for the board members.

## **Correspondence**

None

## **Public Session**

None

## **Superintendent's Report**

John discussed the budget timeline and that the schedule can be found on the website. There's great news, the DOE has decided to fund the first three construction projects, which means that LMS has moved up the list to 9th. What that means is that the state is going to build a school when our time comes up on the list. There is no local funding necessary unless we want extras with the schools. Congratulations to the Varsity golf and football teams. An unprecedented award was received by us this fall. Both teams were awarded the good sportsmanship award. This says a lot to the attitude of our student athletes and district. He talked about a tragedy that occurred with a Jameson family this week. One of our students passed away over the weekend. He stressed how proud he was of the Jameson staff and how they come together in times of tragedy/need.

## **Board Presentation**

Timothy Gill from Runyon Kersteen Ouellette presented the board members with this year's audit findings. Please refer to the video for entire presentation and findings.

## **Old Business**

None

## **New Business**

Peter Flaherty read first readings of policies; GCOA: Teacher Evaluation Policy, GDN: Evaluation of Support Staff, GBAA-R1: Bloodborne Pathogens ECP and EEA: Student Transportation

A Motion was made by Peter Flaherty and seconded by Chris LaSalle to approve 2020-2021 administrative contracts. Voted unanimously. Motion approved

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A Motion was made by Chris LaSalle and seconded by Michelle Violette to approve superintendent evaluation. Voted 4-0 with Ms. Beatty abstaining as she was not part of the superintendent evaluation process.

## **Committee Reports**

Dave reported out on the finance committee. We did not meet. As you know we have a new committee and per the audit we will have a lot to talk about.

Peter reported out on the building committee. We didn't meet but he wants to report that he personally had two great visits the last few weeks. Mike and Matt took him around the buildings (Jameson & Loranger). He encourages all the board members to tour these buildings and have them show you what the buildings are like. It's an eye opener.

Chris reported out on the technology committee. We did not meet this month. We will be meeting in the next few weeks.

## **Board Remarks**

Michelle wanted to take a moment to welcome new board member Sally Beatty and to talk about how the town put on a wonderful ceremony for all the board members. Thank you to Pat and Louise for the plaque that was given to all of us. Thank you to Larry Meade for having us there. We have so many administrators and staff that go above and beyond. Lynn Giere got recognized as one of the WCSH6 Who Cares Award recipient for all of her work with the Robby Foundation. She wanted to take a moment to recognize and thank Dr. Marcotte for her service as a board member here.

Chris also welcomed Ms. Beatty to the board. Congratulations. Very exciting to have a fresh set of eyes and ideas. Thank you for voting me vice chair when Dave is not around, I can run the show. Congrats to the marching band and their gold medal. Kudos to all the band parents who did a lot this year. Congrats to the golf and football teams. The community rallied around that. I heard more about football this year than any year. Condolences to the family that lost a student at Jameson.

Peter gave his condolences as well. Such a tragedy and that school has been hit so hard the last few years. Welcome Sally Beatty. I wanted to jump in on the 8-man football. I ran into a friend of mine, John Wilson, and he was an athletic director for years. He has been on the MPA committee since it started. He stated those OOB kids were fabulous. They lost and they were perfect gentlemen.

Sally spoke about how welcoming people have been and helpful in getting me situated to be up here tonight. She also wanted to commend the football team for their good sportsmanship award. She went to that very cold game and she was very impressed that they won that award. To her that is what sports is all about. So proud to be sitting here and working for this school board and department.

Dave wanted to congratulate the football and golf teams. He is very impressed with their winning seasons but the good sportsmanship award you cannot say enough about. He is very proud of what they accomplished. He wanted to remind the board members to get him which committee they would like to be a part of. He wanted to recognize the food service director on the great audit we had. Since I have been here it hasn't been good. He wanted to say that he was not in agreement with bringing you on board and the cost of that but he was wrong. Condolences to the family of our student that we lost. Have a nice Thanksgiving! Be safe and thank you all for what you do on a daily basis.

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## **Adjournment**

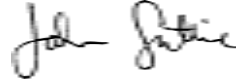
A motion was made by Michelle Violette and seconded by Sally Beatty to adjourn the meeting at 7:06PM. Voted unanimously. Motion approved.

Minutes prepared by:

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Helene Stevens,  
Transcriber

Respectfully submitted by:



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John Suttie,  
Superintendent