

RSU 23 Board Minutes

RSU #23 Board Meeting held at Old Orchard Beach Town Hall (Virtual Meeting) on April 15, 2021 @ 6:00 p.m.

Meeting Called to Order

John Suttie called the meeting to order at 6:01pm. Present: Dave Boudreau, Peter Flaherty, Donna Moutsatsos (arrived at 6:05PM) Sally Beatty, and Superintendent John Suttie.

Roll Call: Peter Flaherty, Sally Beatty, & David Boudreau

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited

Approval of Minutes

A motion was made by Sally Beatty and seconded by Peter Flaherty to accept the minutes from the March 18, 2021 meeting as written. Voted unanimously. Motion approved. (Roll Call; Peter Flaherty, Sally Beatty & David Boudreau)

Adjustments to the Agenda

Add Approval of Notice of Public Hearing & Remote Public Hearing to New Business
Add Executive Session per 1 M.R.S.A. § 405 (6)(A) Personnel Issue

Correspondence

None

Public Session

None

Superintendent's Report

Superintendent Suttie stated he has a few items. One, he wanted to report out the staff has been involved over the past month or so in getting themselves vaccinated. That is going along. The public received a letter from me on Monday that stated, due to the timing of staff vaccinations, that it would be difficult for us to come out of our 4 day a week schedule and it would be very late in the year. It would take schedule changes that would be pretty significant to go to a 5-day schedule so we will stay with a 4 day a week schedule for the remainder of the year. Graduation is on track for June 6th and will be held at the Regina Stadium Field. Due to guidelines, we will be able to hold a traditional graduation and graduates can have as many family members as they want. We have been acquiring all kinds of items so that we can pull this off. Rain date is Monday, June 7th at the same time. It will look all normal and hopefully next year we can return to the Seaside Pavilion. We have a Prom event going on. It will have to be only OOB students. We are not going to allow outside students due to the pandemic and no dancing. It will be a night of dinner and entertainment. On Monday, we will start the ground breaking on the outdoor pavilion that will be between Jameson and Loranger. We hope to have it up as soon as possible. On the food service front, Caroline created 108 meal kits to students in the district to provide them with food over the school break. Kudos to food service for putting that together. Wish staff and students a good April vacation. It is always a slog between February break and April break in a normal year and this year has been harder.

Board Presentation

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Old Business

None

New Business

A motion was made by Peter Flaherty and seconded Sally Beatty to approve the 2021-2022 RSU 23 School Calendar as proposed. Voted unanimously. Motion approved. (Roll Call; Peter Flaherty, Sally Beatty, Donna Moutsatsos, & David Boudreau)

A motion was made by Sally Beatty and seconded Peter Flaherty to adopt the proposed RSU 23 2021-2022 budget of \$15,101,601.41 as presented. Voted unanimously. Motion approved. (Roll Call; Peter Flaherty, Sally Beatty, Donna Moutsatsos, & David Boudreau)

A motion was made by Peter Flaherty and seconded Sally Beatty to adopt the proposed adult education budget of \$568,073.21 with local contribution from RSU 23 of \$135,555.00 as presented. Voted unanimously. Motion approved. (Roll Call; Peter Flaherty, Sally Beatty, Donna Moutsatsos, & David Boudreau)

A motion was made by Sally Beatty and seconded by Donna Moutsatsos to approve the Notice of Public Hearing presented to this meeting and that a remote public hearing be called for May 20, 2021 for consideration of and comment on the fiscal year 2021-2022 school budget and other fiscal matters to be submitted to the district voters at the June 8, 2021 district referendum. Motion approved. (Roll Call; Peter Flaherty, Sally Beatty, Donna Moutsatsos, & David Boudreau)

Committee Reports

Finance: Dave stated they met today. We went over where we are with the budget and everything looks great. We went over the budget for tonight to approve. We also discussed district call for a public hearing. We discussed a little about the roof projects. They are doing a little more work on pricing. We should have a number to approve at the May school board meeting.

Building: Peter stated they have not met as of right now but all the concentration is going to go on the Pavilions this week.

Technology: Donna stated they did meet on the 13th. All devices are going to be collected this year and Pam is going to roll out what the plan is going to be. It looks like the principals are going to ask the teachers to collect them. There will be a form that students will have to sign saying that everything is there and not damaged. They will get the same computer back next year unless they are getting new ones. Gwyneth is going to take care of the high school. Remote learners, a letter is going to be sent out. They are thinking about what they are going to do with damaged computers. Whether or not they are worth fixing them or should we be replacing them.

Board Remarks

Peter stated It's awesome that we sent out 108 food kits for next weeks' vacation. Old Orchard has been doing such a great job providing food for our kids.

Sally stated she wanted to thank all the hard work that has been put into getting the budget ready. They did everything that the board asked them to do. I want to wish everybody a great April break.

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Donna stated she was going to say have a good vacation and we will see you on the other side.

Dave stated he also want to echo great job on the budget. No impact on the tax payers. We achieved all the goals that we set out so that is great. I want to wish everyone a great vacation and not think about school and have as much fun as you can. Watch out for the blizzard tomorrow.

Adjournment

A motion was made by Peter Flaherty and seconded by Sally Beatty to enter Executive Session at per 1M.R.S.A. 405 (6)(A) Personnel Issue with no action. Voted unanimously. Motion approved. (Roll Call; Peter Flaherty, Sally Beatty, Donna Moutsatsos, & David Boudreau)

A motion was made by Donna Moutsatsos and seconded by Sally Beatty to adjourn the meeting at 6:26PM. Voted unanimously. Motion approved. (Roll Call; Peter Flaherty, Sally Beatty, Donna Moutsatsos, & David Boudreau)

Executive Session

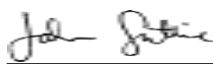
Entered Executive Session at 6:27PM per 1M.R.S.A. 405 (6)(A) Personnel Issue with no action

A motion was made by Sally Beatty and seconded by Peter Flaherty to exit Executive Session at 7:07PM. Voted unanimously. Motion Approved.

Minutes prepared by:

Helene Stevens,
Transcriber

Respectfully submitted by:



John Suttie,
Superintendent