

RSU 23 Board Minutes

**RSU #23 Board Meeting held at Old Orchard Beach Town Hall on
May 19, 2022 @ 6:00 p.m.**

Meeting Called to Order

John Suttie called the meeting to order at 6:00pm. Present: Dave Boudreau, Peter Flaherty, Donna Moutsatsos, Craig Evans, Sally Beatty, and Superintendent John Suttie.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited

Approval of Minutes

A motion was made by Sally Beatty and seconded by Craig Evans to accept the minutes from the April 12, 2022 meeting as written. Voted unanimously. Motion approved.

Adjustments to the Agenda

None

Correspondence

None

Superintendent's Report

Superintendent Suttie stated we have a few resignations from Anne Amaral, Katherine LaCasse, Kelly Pelletier, Heather Larrabee and Kati Glencross. We wish them luck on their future endeavors. Work on the track will begin on June 10th and we will give updates on any traffic issues and progress. Senior Citizen Dinner is Thursday May 26th at 5:00. Anyone 60 or older can attend the free turkey dinner. We will have music from the 50's and 60's, good company and great food. Couple of notes for spring events. June 5th at 2:00 at the Seaside Pavilion is graduation. All are welcome. 8th grade graduation is June 9th at 6:00PM and the public is welcome on the football field pending weather. He would like to say goodbye to Santino as this is his last meeting as the student representative. We will have to seek high and low for his replacement and hopefully can fill his shoes. Thank you and goodbye

Student Representative's Report:

Santino stated he would like to thank all of you, especially Mr. Suttie for inviting him to be the student representative. It has been a pleasure. May has been a busy month for seniors as we have had finals and we now have our internships. They are going well and everyone seems to be enjoying them. Underclassmen are excited for the end of the school year. Spring sports teams are winding down. Thank you to all the coaches. Thank you for your dedication to our teams. Thank you to the bus drivers, custodians, food service and teachers for all you do for our students. Prom was held at the Riverwinds in Saco and was truly amazing. The host was very welcoming. The scenery was also very beautiful. The yearbook has also been delivered and makes me excited to see the students flipping through the pages, laughing and reminiscing about their year.

Board Presentation

None

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Public Session:

None

Old Business

None

New Business

Peter Flaherty read the first reading of policy IHBEA: Program for English Language Learners

A motion was made by Craig Evans and seconded by Sally Beatty to accept probationary II teachers: Nicole Johnson, Alden Gregory, Kayleigh Correale, Katherine Gagnon, Kellie Beres, Melissa Denick, Irene Brackett, Nathan Madeira, Brooks Bowen & Paul Santamore as well as continuing teachers; Dawn Hall, Jason Barriault, Rachel Hatem, Kalina Dodier, Kaylen Beary, Lisa Spencer, Shannon Sampson, Kelly Pelletier, Michael Brennan, Thomas Offit, Natalie Skovran and Rebecca Nyanutse as presented. Voted unanimously. Motion Approved.

A motion was made by Sally Beatty and seconded by Craig Evans to accept new hires; Benjamin Harris as JES Principal, Erin McGuan as HS Math Teacher, Natalie Flynn as HS/LMS Special Education Teacher, Jacqueline Palmer as LMS 4th grade teacher, Miranda Sheperd-Bussiere as LMS Social Worker, Emily Fish as School & Community Resource Coordinator, David Boger as Chef & Culinary Supervisor, Hanna Steven as LMS 4th Grade Teacher and Michelle Gallagher as JES Social Worker as presented. Voted unanimously. Motion Approved.

Committee Reports

Finance: Dave stated the finance committee met today. We opened the bus bids. There were 3 bidders and we verified the specs were good; we want to award Datco for 2 buses. There are no buses to be found right now and should get them by February or March of 2023. Both buses are within the budget we set. We talked about fuel. We have approximately 2000 gallons left on our contract for this year and that is at \$2.18/gallon and the new price that they negotiated is \$4.59/gallon. That is a fantastic price. We have decided to fill all the tanks up now to utilize the 2000 gallons we have left. Budget is doing fine. Cindy is wrapping things up with another month to go. There are no emergencies or anything sticking out that is troubling.

Building: Peter stated the building committee did not meet this month but the high school roof had a scan under the rubber lining to see if there was any water under there. There was a lot of water, which means a whole roof needs to be replaced and cannot be repaired. Window replacement of all high school windows will be done over the summer. Once windows are installed district will be responsible for painting. Walk in freezer at the high school will be completed by the end of June. Keycard access points will be added at each school.

Technology: Donna stated there was nothing to report. They are meeting on the 24th to wrap up the year and collecting devices.

Board Remarks

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Sally stated she is so glad to hear that the seniors were able to have Prom this year. Very positive things going on here. We are getting a new track and 2 new buses. You have a few more weeks to go and enjoy a wonderful summer.

Craig stated he is looking forward to graduation at the pavilion. Thank you, Santino, for your representation on the board.

Peter stated Santino you did a very nice job letting us know what was going on at all the schools. Congratulations on your graduation. Wish all the staff a restful summer. It has been a very tough 2 ½ years for everyone. Everyone stay healthy and have a great summer. Retirees, we have quite a few this year. Good luck to you all and thank you for your many years of service to the students and families of RSU 23.

Donna stated she echoes what everyone has said. Congratulations to all the seniors. Good luck to you in the future. You will be successful and remember where you home is. Thank you to everyone who has put in a stressful year. Thank you for being understanding and cooperative. Shout out to the yearbook committee. I was able to look at it and they are awesome. Everyone have a great summer. Enjoy the beach. Get outside and some fresh air.

Santino stated have a great vacation and thank you for having him.

Dave stated enjoy your summer if you can. Take a rest from school, enjoy yourselves and your families. Today I went into the high school for a meeting and as I was pulling in there were fire trucks, police and ambulances. I was worried but they were there to escort our special Olympic children on a bus to their place of participation and that was awesome. It tells you what the community was about. The kids really enjoyed it. The June meeting will be an easier meeting. We don't normally meet in July so what I am proposing is that July we will schedule a time to do self-evaluation as well as superintendent evaluation and review. Lastly, last week we lost a pretty special guy to our school system, Paul Landry. It was a shock. He was always asking what he could do to help with the schools. He will be missed and on behalf of the board send a letter to his family.

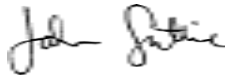
Adjournment

A motion was made by Donna Moutsatsos and seconded by Craig Evans to adjourn the meeting at 6:31PM. Voted unanimously. Motion approved.

Minutes prepared by:

Helene Stevens,
Transcriber

Respectfully submitted by:



John Suttie,
Superintendent