

RSU 23 School Board Minutes

RSU 23 Board Meeting held at Old Orchard Beach Town Hall on June 12, 2024, @ 6:00 p.m.

Meeting Called to Order

Craig Evans called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Present: Craig Evans, Donna Moutsatsos, Peter Flaherty, Barbara Roberge, and Superintendent John Suttie.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Approval of Minutes

A motion was made by Peter Flaherty and seconded by Donna Moutsatsos to accept the minutes from the May 18, 2024, meeting as written. All in favor. Motion approved.

Adjustments to the Agenda

Motion to approve the hiring of Heather Freeman, Instructional Strategist at Loranger Memorial School and Heidi Butler as Director of Special Education.

Correspondence

None

Public Session

None

Superintendent's Report

Superintendent Suttie reported that our school budget passed with 767 to 198 votes which reflects a 79.5% vote in favor of our board approved budget. We have one of the 2 highest approval rates in surrounding towns. 80% approval is quite a thing and we should be proud. It's not easy and very complex. Congratulations to everyone involved. Thank you very much to the community.

The High School roof project is starting next week by Glidden Roofing. Even though the last day of school was last week, we are still in the thick of things with many programs happening. Buildings will be busy, including OOB Rec. Thank you to our students, parents and staff, administration, school board and entire community for another great and successful year. We appreciate all that everyone does to make our schools function at a high level.

Student Representative's Report

None

Board Presentation

None

Old Business

None

New Business

Craig would like to commend all the parties included in the budget negotiations. A motion was made by Donna Moutsatsos and seconded by Barbara Roberge to accept the ratification of the 2024-2027 support staff collective bargaining agreement as presented. All in favor. Motion approved.

A motion was made by Peter Flaherty to accept Heather Freeman as Instructional Strategist at Loranger Memorial School and Heidi Butler as Director of Special Education, as presented, seconded by Donna Moutsatsos. All in favor, motion approved.

Finance Committee – Craig Evans reported that they did not meet this month.

Building Needs Committee – Peter Flaherty reported that they did not meet this month.

Technology Committee – Donna Moutsatsos reported that they did not meet this month.

Adjournment

A motion was made by Donna Moutsatsos and seconded by Barbara Roberge to adjourn the meeting at 6:10 p.m. All in favor. Motion approved.

Minutes prepared by:

Cathy Couture
Executive Assistant to Superintendent

Respectfully submitted by:

John Suttie
Superintendent