

MAINE SCHOOL ADMINISTRATIVE DISTRICT #37
January 31, 2018

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors of RSU/MSAD #37 was held at the Milbridge Elementary School, Milbridge, Maine on Wednesday, January 31, 2018 to consider and act upon the following items of business:

Board Members Present: Jeffrey Beal, Everett Grant, Beth Hartford, Grace Kennedy, Ronald Kennedy, Debra Murphy, Charles Peterson, Jr., Vance Pineo, Jr., and Mark Wright

Board Members Absent: Gary Magby, Kelly Moores, and Sarah Willson

Other persons present: Ronald Ramsay, Denise Vose, Susan Meserve, Lucille Willey, John Daley, Lori Mathews, Lynn Lyford, Suzen Polk-Hoffses, MEA Representative, and Dawn Fickett

MINUTES

A. INTRODUCTORY BUSINESS

- 1. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Chairman Grant.** Robin Pineo asked to address the board regarding Article C-7 at the appropriate time.

- 2. RE: APPROVAL OF MINUTES**
 - a. December 13, 2017 Annual Meeting**—Motion by Vance Pineo, Jr., second by Grace Kennedy, and voted (702-yes, 97-abstentions) to approve the minutes of the December 13, 2017 Annual Meeting as printed. (Hartford abstained as she was absent.)
 - b. December 20, 2017 Regular Meeting**—Motion by Charles Peterson, Jr., second by Mark Wright, and voted (594-yes, 205-abstentions) to approve the minutes of the December 20, 2017 Regular Meeting as printed. (Hartford and R. Kennedy abstained as they were absent.)

- 3. RE: REPORT—SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS (Including Legislative Updates)**
INFORMATION: Supt. Ramsay noted that he had received a resignation from Ashley Cirone, Gr. 7/8 Special Ed Teacher, who is taking a position with the TREE program. ~ He attended the annual Superintendents' Conference on January 17th & 18th, which was very good. ~ The Washington County Consortium received word that the FEDES grant to help fund a director for a year was approved by the state. Calais will be the fiscal agent for the grant. ~ A preliminary ED279 was received yesterday. This will most likely change before it is final, but we are getting approximately \$150,000 net gain as of now. ~ Tentative dates for the budget process include workshops on March 14, April 4 and 11; Board approval of the budget on April 25; District Budget Meeting on May 22; and the Budget Validation Referendum on June 12.

- 4. RE: SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS**
INFORMATION:
 - Athletics/Student Activities—none
 - Curriculum & Instruction—none
 - Negotiations & Grievance—none, but will be meeting soon.
 - Policy & By-laws—none
 - Facilities, Maintenance, Safety, & Transportation—none

5. RE: REVIEW OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

INFORMATION: Supt. Ramsay noted that this statement reflects the half-year mark fiscally. We have 585 of the budget left, so we are doing well. We have \$90,000 remaining in the Capital Projects Fund. We have been able to do a lot of projects last year and so far this year with the \$500,000 put into the fund.

6. RE: ADMIN REPORTS INCLUDING ESSA, G/T, AND PROFESSIONAL DEV.

INFORMATION: Lucille Willey reported enrollment of 276 at Narraguagus. It has been busy with the Winter Ball, a visit from the Renaissance Singers of UMO, G/T trips, the Honors Festival in Ellsworth, Teen Science Cafes, and all of the sports events.

Denise Vose reported it has been a challenging year in special ed with our third teacher leaving for another job. Staff have really pulled together and done well to cover. Numbers are remaining consistent for those receiving services. She will attend the MADSEC meeting on Friday to learn of legislative and certification updates for special ed.

Susan Meserve reported enrollment at 160 at Harrington. North Star Travelling Planetarium visited the school. DI has 26 kids in grades K-2, so they will have two teams. The county Spelling Bee is next week at Harrington.

Lorna Greene was ill but sent a report by Susan noting that she will be attending a training in March on the new requirements for ESSA. New hires are continuing their professional development training in the district. G/T students went to The Grand to see Scales and Tales.

Maria White reported enrollment of 120 at Milbridge. The TREE program started full implementation this month. Milbridge will be working with the DOE on a "Numeracy in Maine" program to help with Math. The state is providing support on how to boost the Math program. Island Readers & Writers will again visit the school in May. The district staff will participate in Drug & Alcohol Awareness training on the March 15th Early Release and March 16th workshop.

7. RE: AGENDA ADJUSTMENTS

ACTION: Motion by Charles Peterson, second by Mark Wright, and voted (unanimously) to table this article as there are no adjustments needed.

B. OLD BUSINESS

None

C. NEW BUSINESS

1. RE: HIRING SUBSTITUTE(S)

ACTION: Motion by Charles Peterson, Jr., second by Debra Murphy, and voted (unanimously) to approve George True, III as a substitute teacher as recommended by the Superintendent.

2. RE: HIRING DESTINATION IMAGINATION COACHES

ACTION: Motion by Debra Murphy, second by Mark Wright, and voted (unanimously) to approve the following DI coaches for 2018: Maryann Hall, grades K-2 at DW Merritt; Sally MacLean, grades 3-5 at DW Merritt; and Pamela Sawyer, grades K-2 at Harrington (two teams).

3. **RE: HIRING PEE-WEE BASKETBALL/CHEERING COACHES**
ACTION: Motion by Debra Murphy, second by Bethany Hartford, and voted (unanimously) to ratify the hiring of the following Pee-Wee coaches as recommended by the Superintendent:
DW Merritt: R. Michael Beal, boys'; Harry Beal, girls'; and Donna Raineri, cheering
Harrington: Tyler Tenney, boys'; Jeffrey Chick, girls'; and Jodi Hedberg, cheering
Milbridge: Richard Parker, boys'; Donald Parker, girls'; and Dayna Barker, cheering.
4. **RE: HIRING GRADE 3 & 4 BASKETBALL COACHES**
ACTION: Motion by Debra Murphy, second by Mark Wright, and voted (unanimously) to ratify the hiring of the following coaches for Grade 3 & 4 Basketball as recommended by the Supt.:
DW Merritt: Vincent and Sally MacLean
Harrington: Jeffery Chick
Milbridge; Richard Parker and Donald Parker
5. **RE: HIRING JR. HIGH TRAVEL TEAM COACHES**
ACTION: Motion by Debra Murphy, second by Grace Kennedy, and voted (unanimously) to ratify the hiring of the following Jr. High Travel Team coaches as recommended by the Superintendent:
Boys' Travel Team: Tyler Tenney
Girls' Travel Team: Jeffery Chick and Zachary Look
6. **RE: REQUEST TO DRAW DAYS FROM SICK BANK**
ACTION: Motion by Mark Wright, second by Debra Murphy, and voted (unanimously) to approve the request from Cheryl Phillips to withdraw 12 days from the Ed Tech Sick Leave Bank, as she has met all the criteria necessary.
7. **RE: EXECUTIVE SESSION TO DISCUSS NEGOTIATIONS**
ACTION: Motion by Mark Wright, second by Debra Murphy, and voted (unanimously) to enter Executive Session pursuant to 1 M.R.S.A. § 405(6) to discuss negotiations. The Board Members and Superintendent entered Executive Session at 8:10 p.m. They came out of Executive Session at 8:55 p.m. Chairman Grant then addressed Robin Pineo to let her know that Supt. Ramsay had informed the Board of the conversation they had; however, the Board would like a formal written request. Once received, the Board will act on the request in good faith and in the proper time frame.
8. **RE: ADJOURNMENT**
ACTION: Motion by Charles Peterson, Jr., and voted (unanimously) to adjourn the meeting at 8:57 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Ronald C. Ramsay
Secretary to the Board

MEETING SUMMARY, JANUARY 31, 2018

A. INTRODUCTORY BUSINESS

2. APPROVED minutes of the Dec. 13, 2017 Annual Meeting and the December 20, 2017 Regular meeting;
7. TABLED agenda adjustments;

B. OLD BUSINESS

None

C. NEW BUSINESS

1. HIRED George True, III as sub teacher;
2. HIRED DI Coaches: DWM—Maryann Hall and Sally MacLean; HN—Pam Sawyer;
3. HIRED Pee-Wee Coaches: DWM-RM Beal (boys), Harry Beal (girls), Donna Raineri (cheering); HN—Tyler Tenney (boys), Jeff Chick (girls), Jodi Hedberg (cheering); ML—Richard Parker (boys), Donald Parker (girls), Dayna Barker (cheering);
4. HIRED Grade 3 & 4 Basketball coaches: DWM—Vinnie & Sally Maclean; HN—Jeff Chick; ML—Richard and Donald Parker;
5. HIRED Jr. High Travel Team Coaches—Tyler Tenney (boys); Jeff Chick and Zach Look (girls);
6. APPROVED request from C. Phillips to withdraw 12 days from Ed Tech Sick Bank;
7. EXECUTIVE SESSION to discuss negotiations