

**MAINE SCHOOL ADMINISTRATIVE DISTRICT #37**

**October 18, 2017**

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors of RSU/MSAD #37 was held at the Daniel W. Merritt School, Addison, Maine on Wednesday, October 18, 2017 to consider and act upon the following items of business:

**Board Members Present:** Jeffrey Beal, Everett Grant, Grace Kennedy, Ronald Kennedy, Gary Magby Vance Pineo, Jr., and Mark Wright

**Board Members Absent:** Beth Hartford, Kelly Moores, Debra Murphy, Charles Peterson, Jr., and Sarah Willson

**Other persons present:** Ronald Ramsay, Denise Vose, Lorna Greene, Maria White, Susan Meserve, Lucille Willey, John Daley, Ron Green, and Dawn Fickett

**MINUTES**

**A. INTRODUCTORY BUSINESS**

1. **The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Chairman Everett Grant.**
2. **RE: APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF SEPTEMBER 27, 2017 REGULAR MEETING**  
**ACTION:** Motion by Vance Pineo, Jr., second by Grace Kennedy, and voted (unanimously) to approve the minutes of the September 27, 2017 meeting as printed.
3. **RE: REPORT—SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS (Including Legislative Updates)**  
**INFORMATION:** Supt. Ramsay reported that the annual staff workshop held in Machias on October 10<sup>th</sup> went well. The “Harvest of Ideas” included approximately 550 educators from Washington County and focused on Proficiency-based Education. The State Board of Education visited Narraguagus on October 11<sup>th</sup> and held its meeting there. It was an interesting opportunity to share some concerns with the board and see how it works. The annual Fall Conference for Superintendents and School Boards will be held next week in Augusta. On November 8<sup>th</sup>, the Commissioner of Education is coming to meet with the Washington County Superintendents’ Association in Machias to talk about School Management & Leadership Centers.
4. **RE: “STATE OF THE DISTRICT” REPORT**  
**INFORMATION:** Superintendent Ramsay presented his annual “State of the District” Report, highlighting changes over the past year. The copy is attached to the official minutes, and is available at the Superintendent’s Office upon request.
5. **RE: SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS**  
**INFORMATION:**
  - Athletics/Student Activities—none
  - Curriculum & Instruction—none
  - Negotiations & Grievance—none
  - Policy & By-laws—none
  - Facilities, Maintenance, Safety, & Transportation—none

**6. RE: REVIEW OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

**INFORMATION:** Supt. Ramsay noted that this statement for 8/31 represents three months of expenditures for the fiscal year. We are doing well with 75% of the year left and 89% of the budget remaining.

**7. RE: PRESENTATION OF AUDIT—CHAREMON DAVIS, RHR SMITH CO.**

**INFORMATION:** Supt. Ramsay noted that he met with Charemon today and everything is fine with the audit. She was unable to attend tonight, but will be at the November meeting to review highlights of the 2017 audit before the board approves it.

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

**INFORMATION:** Administrators reported that things are going well in the buildings. Fall sports are winding down. Enrollments are 104 at DW Merritt, 158 at Harrington, 124 at Milbridge, and 278 at Narraguagus. There are 159 students receiving special education services.

**9. RE: AGENDA ADJUSTMENTS**

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

**B. OLD BUSINESS**

**1. RE: CONSIDERATION OF SECOND READING OF REVISED ATHLETIC POLICY/NHS ATHLETIC CODE**

**ACTION:** Motion by Vance Pineo, Jr., second by Jeffery Beal, and voted (unanimously) to approve the second reading of the revised Athletic Policy/NHS Athletic Code JJIB-R. This revision now becomes district policy.

**C. NEW BUSINESS**

**1. RE: HIRING SUBSTITUTE TEACHER(S)**

**ACTION:** Motion by Ronald Kennedy, second by Grace Kennedy, and voted (unanimously) to approve Courtney Strout as a substitute teacher as recommended by Supt. Ramsay.

**2. RE: HIRING SUBSTITUTE COOK**

**ACTION:** Motion by Jeffery Beal, second by Ronald Kennedy, and voted (unanimously) to approve Mona Taylor as a substitute cook as recommended by Supt. Ramsay.

**3. RE: HIRING JR. HIGH BASKETBALL AND CHEERING COACHES**

**ACTION:** Motion by Vance Pineo, Jr. second by Jeffery Beal, and voted (unanimously) to approve the following coaches for Jr. High Basketball and Cheering:

School	Jr. High Boys' Basketball	Jr. High Girls' Basketball	Jr. High Cheering
DW Merritt	R. Michael Beal Elyssa Hanson, vol. asst	Harry Beal, Jr. Elyssa Hanson, vol. asst.	none
Harrington	Tyler Tenney	Jeffery Chick	none
Milbridge	Richard Parker	Donald Parker	Crystal Doucette

**4. RE: ACCEPTANCE OF BID FOR SALE OF USED SCHOOL BUS**

**ACTION:** Motion by Mark Wright, second by Gary Magby, and voted (unanimously) to accept the high bid of \$1,001 from Dennis Moriasey for bus #44.

**5. RE: APPROVAL OF FY2017 AUDIT**

**ACTION:** Motion by Mark Wright, second by Vance Pineo, Jr., and voted (unanimously) to table this article until the November meeting.

**6. ADJOURNMENT**

**ACTION:** Motion by Jeffery Beal, and voted (unanimously) to adjourn the meeting at 8:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Ronald C. Ramsay  
Secretary to the Board

MEETING SUMMARY, OCTOBER 18, 2017

**A. INTRODUCTORY BUSINESS**

2. APPROVED minutes of the September 27, 2017 regular meeting;
9. TABLED agenda adjustments;

**B. OLD BUSINESS**

1. APPROVED second reading of JJIB-R Athletic Policy/NHS Athletic Code;

**C. NEW BUSINESS**

1. HIRED Courtney Strout as a substitute teacher;
2. HIRED Mona Taylor as a substitute cook;
3. HIRED Jr. High Basketball and Cheering Coaches: DWM-RM Beal (boys); H. Beal, Jr. (girls); E. Hanson (vol. asst. for both); HN: T. Tenney (boys); J. Chick (girls); ML: R. Parker (boys); D. Parker (girls); C. Doucette (cheering);
4. ACCEPTED bid from Moriasey for used bus #44 (\$1,001);
5. TABLED approval of audit until November meeting