

MAINE SCHOOL ADMINISTRATIVE DISTRICT #37

December 20, 2017

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors of RSU/MSAD #37 was held at the Narraguagus Jr./Sr. High School, Harrington, Maine on Wednesday, December 20, 2017 to consider and act upon the following items of business:

Board Members Present: Jeffrey Beal, Everett Grant, Gary Magby, Kelly Moores, Debra Murphy, Sarah Willson, and Mark Wright

Board Members Absent: Beth Hartford, Grace Kennedy, Ronald Kennedy, Charles Peterson, Jr., and Vance Pineo, Jr.

Other persons present: Ronald Ramsay, Denise Vose, Lorna Greene, Susan Meserve, Lucille Willey, John Daley, David Grant, 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 NOVEMBER 29, 2017 REGULAR MEETING**
ACTION: Motion by Debra Murphy, second by Kelly Moores, and voted (unanimously) to approve the minutes of the November 29, 2017 meeting as printed.
3. **RE: REPORT—SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS (Including Legislative Updates)**
INFORMATION: Supt. Ramsay reported that it has been a very busy few weeks. On December 5th, he visited the Cobscook Bay Alternative School. It is an interesting program, and he talked with them about a possible future partnership, with an annex of the program in our district. It was just an introductory conversation about possibilities. He plans to visit the Calais Day Treatment Program in January.~~The Washington County Leadership Team submitted a FEDES grant proposal to hire a regional director for professional development in Washington County. It is very cost effective to do this together as well as being beneficial for networking with colleagues in the county.~~The office held an Open House on December 8th. The annual delivery of holiday hams for staff and goodie bags for students was done yesterday, with a visit to every classroom in the district.
4. **RE: SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS**
INFORMATION:
 - Athletics/Student Activities—none
 - Curriculum & Instruction—none
 - Negotiations & Grievance—none
 - Policy & By-laws—none
 - Facilities, Maintenance, Safety, & Transportation—none

5. RE: REVIEW OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

INFORMATION: Statements show that we are right on track with where we need to be at this time of year—we have 58% of the year and 66% of the budget remaining at the end of November.

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

INFORMATION: Administrators reported on the many activities going on in December. Special Education has been busy with IEP meetings, but remains stable overall. There are 156 special education students and 21 receiving 504 services. Basketball season is underway in all the schools. There have been holiday events, Geography Bees, Book Fairs, and many other things going on. The Leadership Team met on 12/6 and the new hires had more training on 1/31. Students in the Title I/ESSA program are doing well, with 150 students district-wide receiving services. G/T students have been on field trips to The Grand and The Penobscot Theatre. Interested junior high students have been attending a series of after-school STEM workshops with the UM Cooperative Extension. National Honor Society students enjoyed their trip with Wreaths Across America.

7. RE: AGENDA ADJUSTMENTS

ACTION: Motion by Mark Wright, second by Debra Murphy, and voted (unanimously) to table this article as there are no adjustments necessary.

B. OLD BUSINESS

None

C. NEW BUSINESS

1. RE: HIRING SPECIAL EDUCATION ED TECHS

ACTION: Motion by Debra Murphy, second by Kelly Moores, and voted (unanimously) to ratify the hiring of Coreen Burt as a Special Education Ed Tech at Milbridge as recommended by the Superintendent.

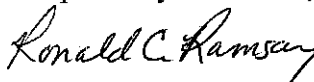
2. RE: HIRING SUBSTITUTE(S)

ACTION: Motion by Debra Murphy, second by Gary Magby, and voted (unanimously) to approve Michael Angelini, Vondell Beal, Melanie Faulkingham, and Matthew Tenan as substitute teachers as recommended by the Superintendent.

3. RE: ADJOURNMENT

ACTION: Motion by Jeffery Beal, and voted (unanimously) to adjourn the meeting at 7:34 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Ronald C. Ramsay
Secretary to the Board

A. INTRODUCTORY BUSINESS

2. APPROVED minutes of the November 29, 2017 regular meeting;
7. TABLED agenda adjustments;

B. OLD BUSINESS

None

C. NEW BUSINESS

1. HIRED Coreen Burt as Special Education Ed Tech at Milbridge; and,
2. APPROVED Michael Angelini, Vondell Beal, Melanie Faulkingham, and Matthew Tenan as substitute teachers.