

**Annual Budget Meeting
June 16, 2009
Freeport High School Gymnasium**

Superintendent Welsh officially called to order the first Annual Budget Meeting for Regional School Unit No. 5 at 6:35 P.M.

Article 1A: To elect James G. Boyles as moderator to preside at the meeting.
(Poissonnier – Morang) **Voice Vote all Aye – Motion carries**

James G. Boyles was sworn in by Superintendent Welsh.

Mr. Boyles explained non-members of the community could only speak if given permission by members present. Mr. Boyles asked for voter approval for the following Administrators and Representative: Diane Boucher, Peter Buckley, Kathie Girard, Joan Nason, Dennis Ouellette, Russell Packett, Will Pidden, Elaine Tomaszewski, Cheryl White and Rep. Susan Austin. **Voice Vote - Yes**

Mr. Boyles explained the process/rules for the meeting:

- Robert's Rules of Order modified by the Maine Municipal Association will be followed;
- A person may not speak before being recognized by the moderator;
- Speakers must come to the microphone;
- The moderator's function is to act as a medium – all comments are addressed to Mr. Moderator; and
- An amendment can only specify what amount not a specific item.

ARTICLE 1: To see what sum the Regional School Unit will be authorized to expend for Student and Staff Support.

Regional School Unit Board Recommends \$ 1,849,402.00
(Poissonnier – Morang)

Amendment: Moved and seconded to amend the Board's recommended amount to \$1,798,517
Voice Vote – No: Amendment fails

Main Motion: To see what sum the Regional School Unit will be authorized to expend for Student and Staff Support.

Regional School Unit Board Recommends \$ 1,849,402.00
Voice Vote – Yes: Motion carries

ARTICLE 2: To see what sum the Regional School Unit will be authorized to expend for School Administration.

Regional School Unit Board Recommends \$1,170,826.00
(Morang – Poissonnier)

Amendment: Moved and seconded to amend the Board's recommended amount to \$1,070,826.00.
Hand Vote: Yes – 85 / No – 191: Amendment fails

Main Motion: To see what sum the Regional School Unit will be authorized to expend for School Administration.

Regional School Unit Board Recommends \$1,170,826.00
Voice/Hand Vote - Yes: Motion carries

ARTICLE 3: To see what sum the Regional School Unit will be authorized to expend for Facilities Maintenance.

Regional School Unit Board Recommends \$2,693,550.00

(Poissonnier – Morang)

Amendment: Moved and seconded to amend the Board's recommended amount to \$2,713,550.00.

Voice/Hand Vote – No: Amendment fails

Main Motion: To see what sum the Regional School Unit will be authorized to expend for Facilities Maintenance.

Regional School Unit Board Recommends \$2,693,550.00

Voice/Hand Vote – Yes: Motion carries

ARTICLE 4: To see what sum the Regional School Unit will be authorized to expend for Career and Technical Education.

Regional School Unit Board Recommends \$285,540.00

(Morang – Poissonnier)

Voice/Hand Vote – Yes: Motion carries

ARTICLE 5: To see what sum the Regional School Unit will be authorized to expend for All Other Expenditures.

Regional School Unit Board Recommends \$280,102.00

(Poissonnier – Morang)

Voice/Hand Vote – Yes: Motion carries

ARTICLE 6: To see what sum the Regional School Unit will be authorized to expend for Regular Instruction.

Regional School Unit Board Recommends \$ 9,809,287.00

(Morang – Poissonnier)

Amendment: Moved and seconded to amend the Board's recommended amount to \$9,928,570.00

Voice/Hand Vote – No: Amendment fails

Amendment: Moved and seconded to amend the Board's recommended amount to \$9,863,287.00

Voice/Hand Vote – No: Amendment fails

Amendment: Moved and seconded to amend the Board's recommended amount to \$9,678,721.00

Voice/Hand Vote – No: Amendment fails

Main Motion: To see what sum the Regional School Unit will be authorized to expend for Regular Instruction.

Regional School Unit Board Recommends \$ 9,809,287.00

Voice/Hand Vote – Yes: Motion carries

ARTICLE 7: To see what sum the Regional School Unit will be authorized to expend for Other Instruction.

Regional School Unit Board Recommends \$513,329.00

(Poissonnier – Morang)

Amendment: Moved and seconded to amend the Board's recommended amount to \$528,329.

Voice/Hand Vote – No: Amendment fails

Main Motion: To see what sum the Regional School Unit will be authorized to expend for Other Instruction.

Regional School Unit Board Recommends \$513,329.00

Voice/Hand Vote – Yes: Motion carries

ARTICLE 8: To see what sum the Regional School Unit will be authorized to expend for System Administration.

Regional School Unit Board Recommends \$639,276.00

(Morang – Poissonnier)

Amendment: Moved and seconded to amend the Board's recommended amount to \$573,170.00

Hand Vote: Yes – 143 / No – 196: Amendment fails

Amendment: Moved and seconded to amend the Board's recommended amount to \$591,276.

Voice/Hand Vote – No: Amendment fails

Main Motion: To see what sum the Regional School Unit will be authorized to expend for System Administration.

Regional School Unit Board Recommends \$639,276.00

Voice/Hand Vote – Yes: Motion carries

ARTICLE 9: To see what sum the Regional School Unit will be authorized to expend for Transportation and Buses.

Regional School Unit Board Recommends \$1,132,948.00

(Poissonnier – Morang)

Amendment: Moved and seconded to amend the Board's recommended amount to \$1,117,948.00

Voice/Hand Vote – No: Amendment fails

Main Motion: To see what sum the Regional School Unit will be authorized to expend for Transportation and Buses.

Regional School Unit Board Recommends \$1,132,948.00

Voice/Hand Vote – Yes: Motion carries

ARTICLE 10: To see what sum the Regional School Unit will be authorized to expend for Debt Service and Other Commitments.

Regional School Unit Board Recommends \$1,361,899.00

(Morang – Poissonnier)

Voice/Hand Vote – Yes: Motion carries

ARTICLE 11: To see what sum the Regional School Unit will be authorized to expend for Special Education.

Regional School Unit Board Recommends \$3,041,636.00

(Poissonnier – Morang)

Voice/Hand Vote – Yes: Motion carries

ARTICLE 12: To see what sum the Regional School Unit will appropriate for the total cost of funding public education from kindergarten to grade 12 as described in the Essential Programs and Services Funding Act and to see what sum the Regional School Unit will raise and assess as each municipality's contribution to the total cost of funding public education from kindergarten to grade 12 as described in the Essential Programs and Services Funding Act in accordance with the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 20-A, section 15688. **Recommended amounts set forth below:**

Total Appropriated (by municipality):

Total raised (and Regional School Unit assessments by municipality):

Town of Durham: \$ 5,780,164.37

Town of Durham: \$2,116,751.00

Town of Freeport: \$10,635,158.42

Town of Freeport: \$9,653,098.00

Town of Pownal: \$ 1,780,116.59

Town of Pownal: \$1,206,479.00

Regional School Unit Total

Regional School Unit

Appropriated

Total Raised:

(Sum of above) \$18,195,439.38

(Sum of above) \$12,976,328.00

(Morang – Poissonnier)

Voice/Hand Vote – Yes: Motion carries

ARTICLE 13: To see what sum the Regional School Unit will raise and appropriate for the annual payments on debt service previously approved by the Regional School Unit voters for non-state-funded school construction projects, non-state-funded portions of school construction projects and minor capital projects in addition to the funds appropriated as the local share of the Regional School Unit's contribution to the total cost of funding public education from kindergarten to grade 12.

Regional School Unit Board Recommends \$960,850.00

(Poissonnier – Morang)

Voice/Hand Vote – Yes: Motion carries

ARTICLE 14: To see what sum the Regional School Unit will raise and appropriate in additional local funds (**Recommend \$4,064,602.00**), which exceeds the State's Essential Programs and Services allocation model by (**Recommend \$3,642,589.00**) as required to fund the budget recommended by the Regional School Unit Board.

The Regional School Unit Board recommends \$4,064,602.00 for additional local funds and gives the following reasons for exceeding the State's Essential Programs and Services funding model by \$3,642,589.00: The State's Essential Program and Services funding formula is a minimum model to support education in grades K-12. RSU No. 5 provides additional funds to support

lower student / teacher ratios, additional co-curricular activities in addition to complete educational programs for all our students.

(Morang – Poissonnier)

Written Ballot (required) - Yes – 194 / No – 57: Motion carries

ARTICLE 15: To see what sum the Regional School Unit will authorize the Regional School Unit Board to expend for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2009 and ending June 30, 2010 from the Regional School Unit's contribution to the total cost of funding public education from kindergarten to grade 12 as described in the Essential Programs and Services Funding Act, non-state-funded school construction projects, additional local funds for school purposes under the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 20-A, section 15690, unexpended balances, tuition receipts, state subsidy and other receipts for the support of schools.

Regional School Unit Board Recommends \$22,777,795

(Poissonnier – Morang)

Voice/Hand Vote – Yes: Motion carries

ARTICLE 16: In addition to amounts approved in the preceding articles, shall the Regional School Unit Board be authorized to expend federal stabilization funds and such other sums as may be received from federal or state grants or programs or other sources during the fiscal year for school purposes, provided that such grants, programs or other sources do not require the expenditure of other funds not previously appropriated?

Note: It is currently estimated that the Regional School Unit Board will receive \$620,207.00 in federal stabilization funds, which are included in the expenditures authorized by this article.

(Morang – Poissonnier)

Voice/Hand Vote – Yes: Motion carries

ARTICLE 17: To see if Regional School Unit No. 5 will appropriate **\$142,121.00** for adult education and raise **\$83,000.00** as the local share; with authorization to expend any additional, incidental, or miscellaneous receipts in the interest and for the well-being of the adult education program.

(Poissonnier – Morang)

Voice/Hand Vote – Yes: Motion carries

ARTICLE 18: Shall the regional career and technical education operating budget as approved by the cooperative board for the year beginning July 1, 2009 through June 30, 2010 be approved in the amount of **\$1,781,284.00**?

(Morang – Poissonnier)

Voice/Hand Vote – Yes: Motion carries

Moved and seconded to adjourn at 9:46 P.M.