

**RSU No. 5 Board of Directors Meeting
Wednesday, April 13, 2022 – 6:30 p.m.
Pownal Elementary School – Cafeteria
Meeting Minutes**

6:00 – 6:30 p.m. Q&A on the FY23 Budget

(NOTE: These Minutes are not official until approved by the Board of Directors. Such action, either to approve or amend and approve, is anticipated at the May 11, 2022 meeting).

1. CALLED TO ORDER:

Chair Michelle Ritcheson called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

2. MEMBERS PRESENT: Colin Cheney, Candace deCsipkes, Susana Hancock (arrived at 6:38 p.m.), Elisabeth Munsen, Dung Nguyen, Maura Pillsbury, Michelle Ritcheson, Valeria Steverlynck (arrived at 7:13 p.m.), Madelyn Vertenten.

MEMBERS ABSENT: Jennifer Galletta, Jill Piker. There was no Student Representative in attendance.

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

4. CONSIDERATION OF MINUTES:

A. VOTED: To approve the minutes of March 16, 2022 and March 23, 2022.
(Vertenten – Cheney) (7 – 0).

5. ADJUSTMENTS TO THE AGENDA:

Item #6.B. - removed from the agenda.
Item #8.A. - addition of a retirement.

6. GOOD NEWS AND RECOGNITION:

A. Report from Board's Student Representative – No report

7. PUBLIC COMMENT:

None

8. REPORTS FROM SUPERINTENDENT:

A. Retirement - Brian Berkemeyer - FHS Math Teacher

9. ADMINISTRATOR REPORTS:

None

10. BOARD COMMENTS AND COMMITTEE REPORTS:

A. Strategic Communications
-Student Exit Survey & Migration of Students

11. POLICY REVIEW:

None

12. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

A. VOTED: That the Vote entitled, "Vote to Call and Approve the Warrants for the Budget Meeting and the Budget Validation Referendum and to Authorize the Notice of Amounts Adopted," be approved in form presented to this meeting and that a copy of said Vote be included with the minutes of this meeting. (Hancock – Munsen) (8 – 0).

13. NEW BUSINESS:

None

14. PERSONNEL:

VOTED: To employ the following individuals. (Hancock – Vertenten) (8 – 0)

- A. Christine MacDonald as a .8 STEM/RTI Teacher at Mast Landing School for the 2022-2023 school year.
- B. Victoria Cousino as a 1st Grade Teacher at Durham Community School for the 2022-2023 school year.
- C. Leah Campbell as a Special Education Teacher at Morse Street School for the remainder of the 2021-2022 school year (one year position).
- D. Marissa Tarrio as a 1st Grade Teacher at Morse Street School for the 2022-2023 school year.
- E. Amber Harrison as a Pre-K Teacher at Morse Street School for the 2022-2023 school year (one year position).
- F. Kathryn Bacon as a 3rd Grade Teacher at Mast Landing School for the 2022-2023 school year.
- G. Kathleen Kanaley as a Classroom Teacher at Mast Landing School for the 2022-2023 school year.

15. PUBLIC COMMENT:

Christine Watson, Pownal

16. EXECUTIVE SESSION:

VOTED: To enter into Executive Session as outlined in 1 M.R.S.A § 405(6)(D) for the purpose of discussing Administrator negotiations for RSU5. (Hancock – Munsen) (8 – 0)

Time In: 7:13 p.m.

Time Out: 8:10 p.m.

17. ACTION AS A RESULT OF EXECUTIVE SESSION:

VOTED: To authorize the Superintendent to execute contracts for the following administrators, as discussed in Executive Session. (Hancock – Vertenten) (9 – 0)

Julie Nickerson	Emily Grimm	Ray Grogan	Conor Walsh
Will Pidden	Kelli Rogers	Jen Gulko	Charlie Mellon
Craig Sickels	Peggy Brown	Dennis Ouellette	Erin Dow
Cynthia Alexander	Peter Wagner	Gayle Wolotsky	

18. ADJOURNMENT:

VOTED: To adjourn at 8:11 p.m. (Vertenten – Steverlynck) (9 – 0)



Becky J. Foley, Superintendent of Schools

April 13, 2022

Motion: I move that the Vote entitled, "Vote to Call and Approve the Warrants for the Budget Meeting and the Budget Validation Referendum and to Authorize the Notice of Amounts Adopted," be approved in form presented to this meeting and that a copy of said Vote be included with the minutes of this meeting.

**VOTE TO CALL AND APPROVE THE WARRANTS FOR THE BUDGET MEETING
AND THE BUDGET VALIDATION REFERENDUM
AND TO AUTHORIZE THE NOTICE OF AMOUNTS ADOPTED**

VOTED: That the warrant for the Regional School Unit No. 5 (the "Regional School Unit") Budget Meeting presented to the meeting be approved and that a Regional School Unit budget meeting be called for May 25, 2022 for the purpose of voting on the annual budget for the Regional School Unit for the 2022-2023 fiscal year;

That the Warrant and Notice of Election for the Regional School Unit Budget Validation Referendum presented to the meeting be approved, and that a Regional School Unit budget validation referendum be called for June 14, 2022 for the purpose of approving the budget adopted at the Regional School Unit budget meeting for the 2022-2023 fiscal year and considering whether to continue the budget validation referendum process; and

That the form of Notice of Amounts Adopted at Budget Meeting presented to this meeting be approved, and that the Superintendent of Schools of the Regional School Unit be authorized and directed to complete said Notice in accordance with the Regional School Unit budget meeting on May 25, 2022, and to cause copies of said Notice, as completed, to be delivered to the municipal clerks of each municipality of the Regional School Unit for posting at the polling places for the June 14, 2022 Regional School Unit budget validation referendum.

A true copy as adopted by a majority of the School Board, attest:


Becky Foley Secretary

SECRETARY'S CERTIFICATION

I certify that the April 13, 2022 meeting of the Regional School Unit No. 5 School Board was:
[check one box]

- ☒ conducted as a public meeting with no Board members participating remotely; or
- ☐ conducted in accordance with Board policy through telephonic, video, electronic, or other similar means of remote participation, and that the Board's vote on this Resolution was taken by roll call as follows:

