

RSU No. 5 Board of Directors Meeting
Wednesday, June 24, 2020 – 6:30 p.m.
Meeting Minutes
The Meeting Was Held Remotely Using Zoom

(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 July 15, 2020 meeting).

1. CALLED TO ORDER:

Chair Michelle Ritcheson called the meeting to order at 6:34 p.m.

2. MEMBERS PRESENT: Kathryn Brown, Jeremy Clough, Candace deCsipkes, Lindsey Furtney, Jennifer Galletta, Susana Hancock, Elisabeth Munsen, Maura Pillsbury, Michelle Ritcheson, Valeria Steverlynck, Madelyn Vertenten
MEMBERS EXCUSED: None

Chair Ritcheson confirmed all members of the Board and public remotely attending the public proceedings were able to hear all members. Instructions on how to ask questions and the use of mute was explained.

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

4. PUBLIC HEARING:

VOTED: To open the Public Hearing on the Proposed School Budget for FY 2020-2021.
(Galletta - Pillsbury) (11 – 0)

Chair Ritcheson provided the public with an overview of the proposed budget. The following RSU5 citizens spoke:

Neil Berry, Durham
Daniel Freund, Freeport
Sara Victor, Freeport
Rod Stimpson, Durham

VOTED: To close the Public Hearing on the Proposed School Budget for FY 2020-2021.
(Steverlynck - Vertenten) (11 – 0)

5. CONSIDERATION OF MINUTES:

A. VOTED: To approve the Minutes of June 10, 2020. (Steverlynck - Munsen) (11 – 0)

6. ADJUSTMENTS TO THE AGENDA:

Addition to Item 9, Report from Superintendent

7. GOOD NEWS AND RECOGNITION:

None

8. PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Jeremy Clough and Susana Hancock (as residents), school promotions and graduation were done very well.

9. REPORTS FROM SUPERINTENDENT:

The Superintendent reported on district happenings and recognized Kate Brown for her nine years of service on the RSU5 Board.

10. ADMINISTRATOR REPORTS:

None

11. BOARD COMMENTS AND COMMITTEE REPORTS:

None

12. POLICY REVIEW:

None

13. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

A. Board discussion on superintendent's memo in addressing diversity, equity, and inclusion.

14. NEW BUSINESS:

None

15. PERSONNEL:

None

16. PUBLIC COMMENT:

None

17. EXECUTIVE SESSION:

A. VOTED: To enter into Executive Session as outlined in 1 M.R.S.A § 405(6)(A) for the purpose of discussing the Superintendent's evaluation. (Munsen - Hancock) (10 - 0 Galletta had internet issues)

Time In: 8:04 p.m.

Time Out: 9:32 p.m.

18. ACTION AS A RESULT OF EXECUTIVE SESSION:

None

19. ADJOURNMENT:

VOTED: To adjourn at 9:33 p.m. (Brown – Hancock) (11 – 0)


Becky J. Foley, Superintendent of Schools