

**RSU No. 5 Board of Directors Meeting
Wednesday, May 27, 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 June 10, 2020 meeting).

1. CALLED TO ORDER:

Chair Michelle Ritcheson called the meeting to order at 6:31 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. CONSIDERATION OF MINUTES:

A. VOTED: To approve the Minutes of May 13, 2020. (Steverlynck - Pillsbury) (11 – 0)
The student representative voted with the majority.

5. ADJUSTMENTS TO THE AGENDA:

To table Item #13.A.

6. GOOD NEWS AND RECOGNITION:

A. Report from Board's Student Representative – Liam Hornschild-Bear

7. REPORTS FROM SUPERINTENDENT:

Reports from Superintendent:

A. Items for Information

- District Happenings
- Resignations (effective at the end of the school year)
 - Jeanne Deschambeault - FHS Ed Tech
- FY21 Budget Update

8. PUBLIC INPUT:

A. Q & A on the FY21 Budget
Marie Wendt, Pownal

9. PUBLIC COMMENTS:

None

10. ADMINISTRATOR REPORTS:

- A. Finance - Scott Vaitones
- B. RSU5 Facilities Study - Dennis Ouellette

11. BOARD COMMENTS AND COMMITTEE REPORTS:

A. Board Information Exchange and Agenda Requests

Maura Pillsbury reported Region 10 submitted an application to start an HVAC program. There is no change to their FY21 budget. Maura requested a workshop next year on equity and inclusion.

B. Finance Committee

C. Strategic Communications

D. Policy Committee

12. POLICY REVIEW:

A. VOTED: To approve the 1st Read of the following Policies. (Steverlynck – deCsipkes) (11 – 0)

The student representative voted with the majority.

BBA - Board of Directors Powers and Responsibilities

BEB - Board Member Use of Social Media

B. VOTED: To approve the 2nd Read of policy BHC - Board of Directors Communications with Staff (Vertenten – Munsen) (11 – 0) The student representative voted with the majority.

C. VOTED: To approve the 1st Read of Policy IKF - Graduation Requirements (Steverlynck – Munsen) (11 – 0) The student representative voted with the majority.

13. UNFINISHED BUSINESS: This Item was Tabled

A. 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.

B. VOTED: To revise the 2020-2021 School Calendar to change February 12, 2021 to a furlough day for staff and move the May 5, 2021 Early Release Day to October 8, 2020. (Steverlynck – Munsen) (11 – 0)

14. NEW BUSINESS:

None

15. PERSONNEL:

A. B. & C. VOTED: To employ the following individuals for the 2020-2021 school year. (Steverlynck – Furtney) (11 – 0)

Hannah Gottlieb - Morse Street School Kindergarten Teacher

Margaret Mountcastle - Mast Landing School .8 Art Teacher

Amy Goodwin - Durham Community School Special Education Teacher

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. (Galletta – Vertenten) (10 – 0 Steverlynck was out of the room)

Time In: 9:29 p.m.

Time Out: 11:02 p.m.

18. ACTION AS A RESULT OF EXECUTIVE SESSION:

None

19. ADJOURNMENT:

VOTED: To adjourn at 11:03 p.m. (Galletta – Brown) (11 – 0)



Becky J. Foley, Superintendent of Schools