

**RSU No. 5 Board of Directors Meeting
Wednesday, March 25, 2020 – 6:30 p.m.
Freeport High School - Library
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 April 29, 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, Candy deCsipkes, Lindsey Furtney, Jennifer Galletta, Susana Hancock, Elisabeth Munsen, Maura Pillsbury, Michelle Ritcheson, Valeria Steverlynck, Madelyn Vertenten, Rhea Fitzpatrick, Student Representative
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 March 11, 2020. (Vertenten - Steverlynck) (11 – 0)
The student representative voted with the majority.

5. ADJUSTMENTS TO THE AGENDA:

9.B - Board deliberation on the FY21 Budget

Move 12.B. prior to 12.A.

A motion was made by Hancock, seconded by Steverlynck to add a discussion on expectations of a third party consultant for the RSU5 Cost Sharing Formula (7 - 4 Brown, Galletta, Munsen, Ritcheson) The student representative voted with the majority.

6. GOOD NEWS AND RECOGNITION:

A. Report from Board's Student Representative – Rhea Fitzpatrick, Student Representative

7. PUBLIC COMMENT:

Ed Bradley, Freeport

8. REPORTS FROM SUPERINTENDENT:

A. Items for Information

1. District Happenings

2. Resignations:

-Anders Samuelson - FHS English Teacher

-Erin Valle - DCS Reading Specialist

B. Review of FY21 Superintendent's Recommended Budget

9. PUBLIC INPUT:

A. Public Input on the FY21 Budget

None

B. Board deliberation on the FY21 Budget

10. ADMINISTRATOR REPORTS:

A. Finance - Ann Cromer

11. BOARD COMMENTS AND COMMITTEE REPORTS:

- A. Board Information Exchange and Agenda Requests - Susana Hancock attended the Region Ten Student of the Quarter recognition. Two RSU5 students were recognized.
- B. Finance Committee
- C. Policy Committee

12. POLICY REVIEW:

B. VOTED: To approve the 2nd Read of the following Policies. (Brown – Munsen) (11 – 0) The student representative voted with the majority.

- 1. BEDB - Agenda
- 2. BEDI - Board Relations with the Media

A. VOTED: To approve the 1st Read of the following Policies. (Brown – Vertenten) (11 – 0) The student representative voted with the majority.

- 1. JICK - Bullying
- 2. JICK-R Bullying Administrative Procedure

C. VOTED: To rescind the following Policies. (Vertenten – Brown) (11 – 0)

- 1. BIC-E - Certification of Completion of Freedom of Access Training
- 2. JICK-E1 - RSU No. 5 Bullying Report Form
- 3. JICK-E2 - RSU No. 5 Bullying Investigation Form
- 4. JICK-E3 - Documentation of Disciplinary and Remedial Actions Taken
- 5. JICK-E4 - RSU No. 5 Bullying Reporting, Investigation and Intervention/Resolution Process

13. NEW BUSINESS:

The following three items were Tabled.

- A. Consideration and approval of the RSU5 Distance Learning Plan
- B. Consideration and approval of RSU5 support for the Meeting House Arts Project.
- C. Discussion on expectations of a third party consultant for the RSU5 Cost Sharing Formula

14. PERSONNEL:

None

15. PUBLIC COMMENT:

None

16. ADJOURNMENT:

VOTED: To adjourn at 10:41 p.m. (Steverlynck – Galletta) (11 – 0)


Becky J. Foley, Superintendent of Schools