

RSU No. 5 Board of Directors Meeting
Wednesday, May 10, 2017 – 6:30 p.m.
Freeport High School - Library
Meeting Minutes
6:00 – 6:30 p.m. Q&A with Board members on FY18 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 June 14, 2017 meeting).

CALLED TO ORDER:

Chair Michelle Ritcheson called the meeting to order at 6:32 p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Kathryn Brown, Candace deCsipkes, Jennifer Galletta, Naomi Ledbetter, John Morang, Beth Parker, Michelle Ritcheson, Lindsay Sterling, Valeria Steverlynck, Sarah Woodard

MEMBERS ABSENT: Jeremy Clough

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

4. CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

A. VOTED: To approve the Minutes of April 12, 2017 and April 26, 2017 as presented barring any errors or omissions. (deCsipkes – Brown) (10 – 0)

5. ADJUSTMENTS TO THE AGENDA:

6. PUBLIC COMMENT:

Bill Rixon, Freeport

7. SPECIAL PRESENTATION:

A. New 6-12 Math Program (Cynthia Alexander)

8. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT:

A. Items for Information

1. Resignations/Retirements: (effective at the end of the 2016-2017 contract year):

a) Kaitlin Richwalder, MSS Special Education Teacher

b) Simon Skold – FHS Drama Teacher

c) Nancy Gallant, FHS Special Education Teacher (retirement)

d) Ingrid Kupka, FHS Math Teacher

9. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

A. VOTED: That the warrant for the Regional School Unit No. 5 (the “Regional School Unit”) Budget Meeting presented to the meeting be and is hereby approved and that a Regional School Unit budget meeting be and is hereby called for May 24, 2017 for the purpose of voting on the annual budget for the Regional School Unit for the 2017-2018 fiscal year.
(Brown – Steverlynck) (10 – 0)

B. VOTED: That the Warrant and Notice of Election for the Regional School Unit Budget Validation Referendum presented to the meeting be and is hereby approved, and that a Regional School Unit budget validation referendum be and is hereby called for June 13, 2017 for the purpose

of approving the budget adopted at the Regional School Unit budget meeting for the 2017-2018 fiscal year. (Ledbetter – Steverlynck) (10 – 0)

C. VOTED: That the form of Notice of Amounts Adopted at Budget Meeting presented to this meeting be and is hereby approved, and that the Superintendent of Schools of the Regional School Unit is hereby authorized and directed to complete said Notice by adding the amounts approved by the voters for each expenditure category and the total school budget summary expenditure amount, all in accordance with the Regional School Unit budget meeting on May 24, 2017, 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 13, 2017 Regional School Unit budget validation referendum. (Brown – Sterling) (10 – 0)

D. Moved by Steverlynck, seconded by Parker that this Board transfer \$161,182 in available contingency funds from the High School Project to the Track and Field Project in accordance with the January 10, 2017 referendum authorization.

Amendment #1: Moved by Brown, seconded by Steverlynck to add: upon receipt of funds from the Tri-Town Track and Field. (10 – 0) Amendment Passes

Vote on Main Motion as Amended: (10 – 0)

10. NEW BUSINESS:

A.1. VOTED: To accept the nomination of the following personnel and to authorize the Superintendent of Schools to issue a contract for the 2017-2018 school year.
(Brown – Steverlynck) (10 – 0)

Educators for 2nd Year Probationary Contracts:

Carrie Begley
Jan Bessey
Beth Brewer
Lindsay Carter
Amanda Chisholm
Kara Constantine
Heather Gilpin
Julianne Hansbury
Rosemarie Lawrence
Sasha Levasseur
Jessica Montgomery
Rachel Olson
Jason Ouellette
Elisabeth Pierce
Chelsea Ray
Melissa Shaw
Kelli Wedgewood
Nicola Westberry

A.2. VOTED: To accept the nomination of the following personnel, excluding Ingrid Kupka, and to authorize the Superintendent of Schools to issue a contract for the 2017-2018 school year. (Brown – deCsipkes) (10 – 0)

Educators for 3rd Year Probationary Contracts:

Rocco Abbatemarco
Kelly Barton
Laura Bubar
Jody Caulfield
Tatiana Green
Matt Halpern
Cynthia Hjorth
Cindy Kivler
Rachel Lawson
Sarah Mason
Heidi McCarthy
Shawn McKeown
Stephanie Merrill
Heidi Miller
Chelsea Morley
Cheryl Sleeper
Anna Warren
Melissa Wetherell
David Whiting

A.3. VOTED: To accept the nomination of the following personnel and to authorize the Superintendent of Schools to issue a contract for the 2017-2018 school year. (Woodard – Sterling) (10 – 0)

Educators for 1st Year Continuing Contracts:

Margaret Chalmers
Elizabeth Clark
Susan Dee
Patricia Francis
Colleen Gridley
Terrence Hickey
Tess Hoffmann
Lisa Hogan
Halie Lyons
Carolyn Vavro
Paul White

B. VOTED: To approve Bid Ideas as a Math Program 6-12. (Brown – Steverlynck) (10 – 0)

11. Policy Review: Policy Review was Tabled

- A. Consideration and approval of the following Policies (2nd Read: Packet 17-7)
1. JLCD – Administering Medication to Students
 2. DJH – Purchasing and Contracting: Procurement Staff Code of Conduct
 3. IKAB – Report Cards/Progress Reports

B. Consideration and approval of the following Policies (1st Read: Packet 17-8)

2. IKF – Graduation Requirements
3. IK – Student Achievement / Evaluation of Student Achievement
4. IKC – Transcripts and Academic Achievement
5. IKE – Promotion, Retention and Acceleration of Students

C. Consideration and approval to rescind the following policies:

1. KBF-E1– Title 1 Parent Involvement Policy
2. KBF-E2 – Title 1 Parent Involvement Policy
3. JLC – Student Health Requirements and Services

12. Administrator Report: **Administrator Report was Tabled**

A. FHS Core Values and Beliefs Statement – Jen Gulko

13. Public Comments:

14. **EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

A. VOTED: To enter into Executive Session to consider the discipline of a public school student pursuant to 1 M.R.S.A. § 405(6)(B). (Brown – Steverlynck) (10 – 0)

Time In: 7:48 p.m.

Time Out: 7:49 p.m.

ACTION AS A RESULT OF EXECUTIVE SESSION:

No Action taken

B. VOTED: To enter into Executive Session to consult with legal counsel pursuant to 1 M.R.S.A. § 405(6)(E). (Brown – Steverlynck) (10 – 0)

Time In: 7:50 p.m.

Time Out: 8:13 p.m.

ACTION AS A RESULT OF EXECUTIVE SESSION:

No action taken

C. VOTED: To enter into Executive Session to consider the discipline of a public school student pursuant to 1 M.R.S.A. § 405(6)(B). (Steverlynck – Sterling) (10 – 0)

Time In: 8:14 p.m.

Time Out: 8:57 p.m.

15. **ACTION AS A RESULT OF EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

VOTED: To expel a student from school pursuant to 20-A M.R.S.A. Section 1001(9) on the grounds that such expulsion is necessary for the peace and usefulness of the schools, and to direct the Superintendent to provide the student's parents written notice of this action, the Committee's findings and the conditions the administration will consider before recommending readmission of the student to school. (Morang - deCsipkes) (10 – 0)

Agenda Items Were Taken Out of Order Due to Executive Session

10. C. Discussion on a foreign student exchange between FHS students and France.

16. ADJOURNMENT:

VOTED: To adjourn at 9:22 p.m. (Parker – Galletta) (10 – 0)


Becky J. Foley
Superintendent of Schools