

RSU No. 5 Board of Directors Meeting
Wednesday, April 26, 2017 – 6:30 p.m.
Durham Community School - Cafeteria
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 April 26, 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 (left at 10:03 p.m.)

MEMBERS ABSENT: Jeremy Clough

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

4. CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

A. VOTED: To approve the Minutes of March 15, 2017 and March 22, 2017 as presented barring any errors or omissions. (Woodard – Ledbetter) (10 – 0)

5. ADJUSTMENTS TO THE AGENDA:

6. GOOD NEWS AND RECOGNITION:

- A. 2017 Regional One Act Drama Champions
- B. Duck Stamp Awards
- C. Will Pidden – DCS
- D. Report from FHS Student Government - Jessie Minieri provided an update of recent and upcoming happenings at Freeport High School.

7. PUBLIC COMMENT:

None

8. SPECIAL PRESENTATION:

- A. Reading and Writing – Susan Dee & Matt Halpern

9. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT:

- A. Items for Information
 - 1. District Happenings
 - 2. Resignations: (effective at the end of the 2016-2017 contract year):
 - a) Sharon Lee
 - b.) Janet Schwanda
 - c.) James Gale
 - d.) Carol Strozewski
- B. Administrator Reports:
 - 1. Finance – Michelle Lickteig
 - 2. Community Programs – David Watts

10. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

A. VOTED: That pursuant to section 1485(4) of Title 20-A, the Finance Committee be authorized to transfer not more than 5% of the total appropriation for any cost center in the FY18 operating budget to another cost center or among other cost centers, provided that the total FY18 fiscal year operating budget shall not be increased by such transfers. (The Board changed the year in the motion from FY18 to FY17) (Sterling – Steverlynck) (10 – 0)

The Board re-voted using FY18 (Parker – Steverlynck) (10 – 0)

B. Update on budget / Track and Field bid.

Moved by Morang, seconded by Steverlynck to authorize the Board of Directors to transfer up to \$922,000 from undesignated fund balance at the end of the 2016-2017 fiscal year to the District's capital reserve fund for maintenance of plant and remodeling under the authority of 20-A MRSA § 4001, and expend up to \$1,031,708 from said capital reserve fund for those purposes.

Amendment #1: Moved by Steverlynck, seconded by Ledbetter to amend the budget and reduce it by \$35,000. Motion withdrawn by Ledbetter

Amendment #2: Moved by Steverlynck, seconded by Morang that we reallocate \$35,000 from the interest payment to the Field and Track bond payment to Article 6 and also add \$45,000 from undesignated fund balance to Article 6 to cover the teacher for the middle school (4 - 6 Parker, Ritcheson, Galletta, Brown, Ledbetter, deCsipkes) Amendment Fails

Vote on Main Motion: (10 - 0)

11. NEW BUSINESS:

A. VOTED: That the track and field construction bid be awarded to R.A.D. Sports at a construction cost of \$3,448,900; and that the Superintendent be authorized to execute the following alternatives: 1a, 2b, 3, 4, 5, 6, and 7 for a total dollar amount of \$766,650 if funding permits. (Parker – Steverlynck) (10 – 0)

12. BOARD COMMENTS: (Reports from Sub-Committees) – This item was Tabled

- A. Finance Committee
- B. Policy Sub-Committee

13. POLICY REVIEW:

- A. Consideration and approval of the following Policies (2nd Read: Packet 17-6)
 - 1. EBCE – Emergency Evacuation Drills
 - 2. **IKAB – Report Cards/Progress Reports - This item was Tabled**
 - 3. EFBA – Menu Development/Options-Offer vs. Serve Lunch Concept
 - 4. IHBEA – Program for Limited English Proficient Students
 - 5. IHBEA-R – LAU Plan
 - 6. EEBA – Van Use

(Brown – Parker) (10 – 0)

B. Consideration and approval of the following Policies (1st Read: Packet 17-7)

1. JLCD – Administering Medication to Students
2. **IKF – Graduation Requirements - This item was Tabled**
3. **IK – Student Achievement / Evaluation of Student Achievement - This item was Tabled**
4. **IKC – Transcripts and Academic Achievement - This item was Tabled**
5. **IKE – Promotion, Retention and Acceleration of Students - This item was Tabled**
6. DJH – Purchasing and Contracting: Procurement Staff Code of Conduct

(Steverlynck – Parker) (10 – 0)

VOTED: To continue the Board meeting after 10:00 p.m. (Steverlynck – Sterling) (9 – 1 Woodard)

14. PUBLIC COMMENT:

None

15. 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. (Steverlynck – Sterling) (9 – 0)

Time In: 10:04 p.m.

Time Out: 11:01 p.m.

16. ADJOURNMENT:

VOTED: To adjourn at 11:02 p.m. (Ledbetter – Sterling) (9 – 0)


Becky J. Foley
Superintendent of Schools