

RSU No. 5 Board of Directors Meeting
Wednesday, October 26, 2016 – 6:30 p.m.
Pownal Elementary School - Cafeteria
Meeting Minutes

(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 November 9, 2016 meeting).

CALLED TO ORDER:

Chair Michelle Ritcheson called the meeting to order at 6:31 p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Louise Brogan, Jeremy Clough, Naomi Ledbetter, John Morang, Beth Parker (arrived at 6:39 p.m.), Brian Pike, Michelle Ritcheson, Lindsay Sterling, Valeria Steverlynck

MEMBERS ABSENT: Kathryn Brown, Candace deCsipkes

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

4. CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

A. VOTED: (1) To approve the Minutes of September 28, 2016 and October 12, 2016 as presented barring any errors or omissions. (Brogan – Pike) (8 – 0)

5. ADJUSTMENTS TO THE AGENDA:

None

6. GOOD NEWS AND RECOGNITION:

- A. Report from Freeport High School Student Government – No report
- B. Golden Apple Award – Holley Berkemeyer

7. PUBLIC COMMENT:

None

8. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT:

A. Items for Information

- 1. Tri-Town Article - What Matters: A Focus on Student-Centered Learning
- 2. District Happenings
- 3. Lisa Demick reported on good news from Pownal Elementary School

B. Administrator Reports:

- 1. Finance – Kelly Wentworth, Director

9. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

A. Discussion on the Tri-Town Track and Field Project – The Board discussed the Referendum Warrant and Notice of Election and whether to have one ballot question or two.

Lindsay Sterling noted that the word “in” was missing before the words “the name of” in the second line of Article 1. The word “in” should be added.

B. VOTED: (2) That the warrant and notice of election of Regional School Unit No. 5 containing one ballot question presented to the meeting be approved and that a referendum election for the RSU be called for January 10, 2017 for the purpose of approving the issuance of bonds or notes of the

RSU for school construction project purposes as described therein. (Pike – Sterling) (4 – 5 Clough, Ledbetter, Morang, Parker, Steverlynck)

C. VOTED: (3) That the Notice of Public Hearing containing one ballot question presented to the meeting be approved and that a public hearing on the issuance of bonds or notes for school construction project purposes be held on December 7, 2016 at 6:30 P.M. as provided therein. (Brogan – Parker) (3 – 6 Clough, Ledbetter, Morang, Parker, Pike, Steverlynck)

D. VOTED: (4) That the warrant and notice of election of Regional School Unit No. 5 containing two ballot questions presented to the meeting be approved and that a referendum election for the RSU be called for January 10, 2017 for the purpose of approving the issuance of bonds or notes of the RSU for school construction project purposes as described therein. (Clough – Steverlynck) (8 – 1 Pike)

E. VOTED: (5) That the Notice of Public Hearing containing two ballot questions presented to the meeting be approved and that a public hearing on the issuance of bonds or notes for school construction project purposes be held on December 7, 2016 at 6:30 P.M. as provided therein. (Ledbetter – Morang) (8 – 1 Pike)

F. VOTED: (6) To approve the RSU5 Strategic Goals for 2016-2017. (Ledbetter – Sterling) (9 – 0)

10. NEW BUSINESS:

A. Discussion on location of May 24, 2017 Annual Budget Meeting.

The 2017 Annual Budget Meeting will be held at Freeport High School and will rotate to Durham Community School for 2018.

B. VOTED: (7) To approve the FY 18 Budget Timeline (Steverlynck – Pike) (9 – 0)

11. BOARD COMMENTS: (Reports from Sub-Committees)

A. Strategic Communications Sub-Committee

B. Policy Sub-Committee

12. POLICY REVIEW:

A. VOTED: (8) To approve Policy GCG – Teacher and Educational Technician Substitute Policy (2nd reading: Packet 17-1) (Pike – Ledbetter) (9 – 0)

B. VOTED: (9) To approve of the following Policies (1st reading: Packet 17-2) (Parker – Steverlynck) (9 – 0)

1. EFC – Free and Reduced Price Food Services
2. EFC-R – Free and Reduced Price Food Services Procedures
3. GCOA – Supervision and Evaluation of Professional Staff
4. GCOC – Evaluation of Administrative Staff
5. JLF- Reporting Child Abuse and Neglect

13. PUBLIC COMMENTS:

None

14. ADJOURNMENT:

VOTED: (10) To adjourn at 8:05 p.m. (Parker – Steverlynck) (9 – 0)


Becky J. Foley
Superintendent of Schools