

RSU No. 5 Board of Directors Meeting
Wednesday, September 28, 2011 – 6:30 p.m.
Freeport High School Library
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 October 26, 2011 meeting).

CALLED TO ORDER:

Chairperson Larkins called the meeting to order at 6:31 p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Jane Blais, Kathryn Brown, Eric Dube, Nelson Larkins, John Morang, Peter Murray, Beth Parker, John Ricker, Karin VanNostrand

MEMBERS ABSENT: Candace Decsipkes, Brenda Kielty

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

4. CONSIDERATION OF MINUTES:

- A. VOTED: (1)** To approve the Minutes of August 24, 2011 and September 14, 2011.
(Blais – Morang) (9 – 0)

5. ADJUSTMENTS TO THE AGENDA:

6. GOOD NEWS & RECOGNITION:

- A. Report from Student Government: President Charlie Baker reported on the following: the school year is off to a good start; students are adjusting to the growth of the school; spirit week is taking place with a football game and Homecoming dance to be held Saturday night; SAT's taking place on Saturday; students will be taking the SWWA's; distribution of laptops is complete; Boy's Soccer team won against Cape Elizabeth; rehearsals are ongoing for the school play; and seniors are working on their college applications.

7. REPORTS FROM ADMINISTRATORS: 2011-2012 SCHOOL STRATEGIC PLANS

- A. Tom Ambrose reported Morse Street School's goals for the year are as follows: utilize data analysis and instructional strategies to ensure that 90% of students are reading at or above grade level by the end of second grade. Based on end of the year data 10% of the current second grade class will need support to achieve this goal; and to create a school culture that supports clearly defined behavioral expectations consistently throughout the school.
- B. Beth Willhoite reported Mast Landing School's goals for the year are as follows: using fall to spring Fountas and Pinnell data, the number of students meeting grade level benchmarks will increase by 10%; and classroom teachers will teach 4 Units of Study as Year 1 of the RSU5 Reading Workshop Implementation Plan 100% of the time.
- C. Lisa Demick reported Pownal Elementary School's goals for the year are as follows: 80% of students will make at least a year's growth in Reading as measured by the Fountas and Pinnell Benchmark Assessment; and 80% of students in grades 2-5 will meet or exceed the math fact automaticity targets in addition and/or multiplication by May 2012.

- D. Will Pidden reported Durham Community School's goals for the year are as follows: 90% of Kindergarten students will meet letter sound fluency targets; 80% of all students in grades 1 and 2 will meet the respective end of the year reading benchmarks according to Fountas and Pinnell testing (14% one year gain); grades 3 and 4 will increase Words per Minute within oral reading fluency, all students below target speed will move up one level on proficiency rubric; 60% of 5th grade students and 80% of 6th grade students will meet the target for fact fluency; and based on spring data 46% of current 7th grade and 55% of current 8th grade met NWEA growth targets in math. Spring growth targets will increase by 10 percentage points to 55% and 65% respectively.
- E. Ray Grogan reported Freeport Middle School's goals for the year are as follows: 80% of students reading at grade level based on both tests; and 63% of students make their growth goals on NWEA reading test.
- F. Bob Strong reported Freeport High School's goals for the year are as follows: raise the number of 9th grade students reading and writing at grade level by 10%, or up to 8#% according to NWEA; Increase achievement for all students with an emphasis on decreasing freshmen failure rate; and create a plan to implement beginning steps to address flat SAT math scores and increase student growth.

8. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT:

9. PUBLIC COMMENTS:

10. ORGANIZATIONAL BUSINESS:

11. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

12. NEW BUSINESS:

- A. **VOTED (2):** To approve Board Goals for 2011-2012. (Blais – Parker) (9 – 0)
- B. **VOTED (3):** To appoint Brenda Kielty as the delegate to the Maine School Boards Association Annual Delegate Assembly at the Maine School Management Associations Annual Fall Conference. (Murray – Parker) (9 – 0)
- C. **VOTED (4):** To approve the Campus Complex Advisory Committee Charge. (Morang – Dube) (9 – 0)

13. FINANCIAL REPORTS:

- A. RSU No. 5 Financial Statements September 23, 2011.

14. COMMUNICATIONS (Consent Agenda):

- A. MSMA Fall Conference
- B. MSBA Proposed Resolutions Packet
- C. Comprehensive Education Plan
- D. 2011-2012 Board Meeting Schedule

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

- A. Finance – Eric Dube reported the committee met on September 14, 2011. The Director of Finance presented the second draft of the 3-5 Year Financial Plan. The Committee made suggestions regarding formatting and content. The Director of Finance will make necessary revisions for the October 12 Finance meeting. Warrants were signed.
- B. Negotiations – Nelson Larkins reported negotiations with teachers are ongoing with meetings taking place on Monday evenings. The mediator was out for a while but is now back attending the sessions.

16. PERSONNEL:

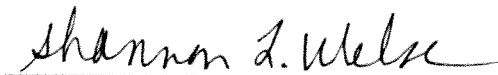
17. POLICY REVIEW:

- A. Policy Packet 12-1 was distributed for review with plans for 1st Read on October 26, 2011 and 2nd Read/Final Adoption on November 30, 2011.

18. EXECUTIVE SESSION:

19. ADJOURNMENT:

VOTED: (5) To adjourn at 7:55 P.M. (Blais – Dube) (9 – 0).



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