

**RSU No. 5 Board of Directors Meeting  
Monday, December 19, 2022 – 5:00 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 January 11, 2023 meeting).

**1. CALLED TO ORDER:**

Chair Michelle Ritcheson called the meeting to order at 5:02 p.m.

- 2. MEMBERS PRESENT:** Colin Cheney, Candace deCsipkes, Jennifer Galletta, Susana Hancock, Kara Kaikini, Elisabeth Munsen, Jill Piker (arrived at 5:05 p.m.), Maura Pillsbury, Michelle Ritcheson, Kelly Sink, and Madelyn Vertenten  
**MEMBERS ABSENT:** None

**3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:**

**4. EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

- A. VOTED:** To enter into Executive Session for advice from legal counsel pursuant to 1 M.R.S.A § 405(6)(E). (Kaikini – Hancock) (10 – 0)

Time In: 5:03 p.m.

Time Out: 5:37 p.m.

- B. VOTED:** To enter into Executive Session to consider a student disciplinary matter pursuant to 1 M.R.S.A § 405(6)(B). (Hancock – Munsen) (11 – 0)

Time In: 5:45 p.m.

Time Out: 6:53 p.m.

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

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 and develop a reentry plan for the student as required by law. (Hancock – Sink) (11 – 0)

- C. VOTED:** To enter into Executive Session to consider a student disciplinary matter pursuant to 1 M.R.S.A § 405(6)(B). (Piker – Vertenten) (11 – 0)

Time In: 7:04 p.m.

Time Out: 8:08 p.m.

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

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 and develop a reentry plan for the student as required by law. (Vertenten – Hancock) (9 – 2 Munsen, Piker)

- D. VOTED:** To enter into Executive Session to consider a student disciplinary matter pursuant to 1 M.R.S.A § 405(6)(B). (Pillsbury – Vertenten) (11 – 0)

Time In: 8:22 p.m.

Time Out: 9:21 p.m.

- VOTED:** To enter into Executive Session for advice from legal counsel pursuant to 1 M.R.S.A § 405(6)(E). (Hancock – Munsen) (11 – 0)

Time In: 9:24 p.m.

Time Out: 9:41 p.m.

- VOTED:** To enter into Executive Session to consider a student disciplinary matter pursuant to 1 M.R.S.A § 405(6)(B). (Vertenten – Pillsbury) (11 – 0)

Time In: 9:43 p.m.

Time Out: 9:56 p.m.

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

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 and develop a reentry plan for the student as required by law. (Hancock – deCsipkes) (8 – 3 Munsen, Piker, Vertenten)

**5. ADJOURNMENT:**

- VOTED:** To adjourn at 9:58 p.m. (Pillsbury – Piker) (11 – 0)

  
Jean M. Skorapa, Superintendent of Schools