

**RSU No. 5 Board of Directors Meeting
Wednesday, May 10, 2023 – 6:30 p.m.
Freeport High School - Cafeteria
Meeting Minutes**

6:00 - 6:30 p.m. Q&A on the FY24 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 May 10, 2023 meeting).

1. CALLED TO ORDER:

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

2. MEMBERS PRESENT: Colin Cheney, Candace deCsipkes, Danielle George, Susana Hancock (arrived at 6:38 p.m.), Kara Kaikini, Elisabeth Munsen, Maura Pillsbury, Michelle Ritcheson, Paul Schulz, Kelly Sink, Madelyn Vertenten. Student Representative Teagan Davenport was in attendance.

MEMBERS ABSENT: None

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

4. CONSIDERATION OF MINUTES:

VOTED: To approve the Minutes of April 26, 2023. (Cheney – Sink) (10 – 0) The Student Representative voted with the majority.

5. ADJUSTMENTS TO THE AGENDA:

Item #8.A.2&3; Item #14. B, C, D; Move Item #14 after Item #7

6. GOOD NEWS AND RECOGNITION:

A. Report from Board's Student Representative – Teagan Davenport

7. PUBLIC COMMENT:

Durham - Nate Leger, Anthony Pringle

Freeport - Ashley Schumacher

Item #14 was moved up in the Agenda

14. PERSONNEL:

A. VOTED: To accept the nomination of the following personnel and to authorize the Superintendent of Schools to issue contracts for the 2023-2024 school year.

(Hancock – Munsen) (10 – 1 Schulz) The Student Representative voted with the majority.

1) Educators for 2nd Year Probationary Contracts:

Anne Monahan

Julia Grocholl

Henri Moser

Amanda Salve

Luke Szymanski

Mara Wiggin

Mara Dale

Jill Hyland
Thomas McKeon
Peter Mills
Luke Potter
Carr Vincent
Philip Clifford
Amy Colton
Kathryn Bacon
Allison Barrett
Kathleen Kanaley
Leah Campbell
Marissa Tarrío
Danielle Gauthier
Kathryn Broadbent
Hannah Reidman
Kate Parkin
Sandra Brann
Holly Hinton

2) Educators for Continuing Contracts:

Emily Schutt
Amanda Sommi
Mary Beth Steinher
Samantha Andreason
Luke Engelbert
Matthew Howard
Melissa McQuilkin
Mark Oliver
Cole Phillips
Alexander Toole
Tyler Tracy
Rosalyn Moisan
Rodrigo Palacios
Megan Huckins
Brendan Boss
Janna Glynn
Genevieve Rumsey

B. VOTED: To employ Glen Reynolds as Director of Facilities for the 2023-2024 school year. (Vertenten – Pillsbury) (11 – 0) The Student Representative voted with the majority.

C. VOTED: To employ Jeremy Arsenault as Director of Transportation for the 2023-2024 school year. (Hancock – Sink) (11 – 0) The Student Representative voted with the majority.

D. VOTED: To employ Olivia White as a Kindergarten Teacher at Morse Street School for the 2023-2024 school year. (Munsen – Kaikini) (11 – 0) The Student Representative voted with the majority.

8. REPORTS FROM SUPERINTENDENT:

A. Items for Information

1. District Happenings
2. Resignations:
 - Grace Anderson, MSS Custodian
 - Mike Borini - FMS Ed Tech
 - Elizabeth Grace - PES 2nd Grade Teacher
3. Retirement: Maurice Fournier, Bus Driver

9. ADMINISTRATOR REPORTS:

A. Finance - Peggy Brown

10. BOARD COMMENTS AND COMMITTEE REPORTS:

A. Board Information Exchange and Agenda Requests

- Maddy Vertenten mentioned for new members and the public, to refer to “B” policies (Board Governance and Operations) and Robert’s Rules of Order.
- Maura Pillsbury mentioned a cheat sheet on Robert’s Rules of Order.
- Kara Kaikini thanked all the staff for their hard work.

B. Strategic Communications

C. Policy Committee

11. POLICY REVIEW:

A. VOTED: To approve the 2nd Read of Policy BEDH-Public Participation at Board of Directors Meetings. (Munsen – deCsipkes) (11 – 0) The Student Representative voted with the majority.

12. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

A. Cost Sharing Discussion

13. NEW BUSINESS:

A. VOTED: To approve the Comprehensive Education Plan (Cheney – Hancock) (11 – 0) The Student Representative voted with the majority.

15. PUBLIC COMMENT:

Anthony Pringle, Durham

16. EXECUTIVE SESSION:

VOTED: To enter into Executive Session as outlined in 1 M.R.S.A § 405(6)(F) discussions of information contained in records made, maintained or received by a body or agency when access by the general public to those records is prohibited by statute. (Pillsbury – Munsen) (11 – 0) The Student Representative voted with the majority.

Time In: 8:31 p.m.

Time Out: 9:04 p.m.

17. ACTION AS A RESULT OF EXECUTIVE SESSION:

None

18. EXECUTIVE SESSION:

VOTED: To enter into Executive Session as outlined in 1 M.R.S.A § 405(6)(A) for the purpose of discussing the Superintendent's evaluation. (deCsipkes – Pillsbury) (11 – 0)

Time In: 9:05 p.m.

Time Out: 9:58 p.m.

19. ACTION AS A RESULT OF EXECUTIVE SESSION:

None

20. ADJOURNMENT:

VOTED: To adjourn at 9:59 p.m. (Vertenten – Cheney) (11 – 0)



Jean M. Skorapa, Superintendent of Schools