

**RSU No. 5 Board of Directors Meeting
Wednesday, October 11, 2023 – 6:30 p.m.
Freeport High 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 October 25, 2023 meeting).

1. CALLED TO ORDER:

Chair Michelle Ritcheson called the meeting to order at 6:33 p.m.

2. MEMBERS PRESENT: Colin Cheney, Candace deCsipkes, Malik Farlow, Danielle George, Kara Kaikini, Elisabeth Munsen, Maura Pillsbury, Michelle Ritcheson, Kelly Sink, Madelyn Vertenten

MEMBERS ABSENT: Susana Hancock. There was no Student Representative in attendance.

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

4. CONSIDERATION OF MINUTES:

VOTED: To approve the Minutes of September 27, 2023. (Kaikini – Vertenten) (10 – 0)

5. ADJUSTMENTS TO THE AGENDA:

Additions under Item #8.A.1 and 2- Resignation and Retirement; Addition of an Item #8.B. and Item #13.A. - DCS Guidance position

6. GOOD NEWS AND RECOGNITION:

A. Report from Board's Student Representative - Principal Gulko provided an update.

7. PUBLIC COMMENT:

Durham - Jessica Conley

Freeport - Connie Clifford

Other - Jennifer Curran (Falmouth)

8. REPORTS FROM SUPERINTENDENT:

A. Items for Information

1. Resignations: Bethany Jensen - PES/MLS Speech Language Pathologist
Theresa Allocca - DCS Guidance Counselor
Rick Vachon, Sr. - FMS Custodian
Lila Richards - MLS Ed Tech
2. Retirements: Kristy Johnson - MSS 2nd Grade Teacher

B. Durham Community School Guidance Position - Will Pidden

9. ADMINISTRATOR REPORTS:

A. Update from Freeport Middle School and Goal Review - Ray Grogan

B. Update from Freeport High School and Goal Review - Jen Gulko

10. BOARD COMMENTS AND COMMITTEE REPORTS:

None

11. POLICY REVIEW:

None

12. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

- A. Discussion of the MSBA 2023 Proposed Resolutions
- B. MSMA Fall Conference Information

13. NEW BUSINESS:

- A. **VOTED:** To employ a PE Teacher instead of a Guidance Counselor at Durham Community School for the 2023-2024 School Year. (deCsipkes – Munsen) (10 – 0)

14. PERSONNEL:

None

15. PUBLIC COMMENT:

Freeport - Maddy Vertenten

16. ADJOURNMENT:

VOTED: To adjourn at 9:49 p.m. (Pillsbury – Farlow) (10 – 0)



Jean M. Skorapa, Superintendent of Schools