

**RSU No. 5 Board of Directors Meeting
Wednesday, November 29, 2023 – 6:30 p.m.
Durham Community 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 December 13, 2023 meeting).

1. CALLED TO ORDER:

Chair Michelle Ritcheson called the meeting to order at 6:34 p.m.

2. MEMBERS PRESENT: Candace deCsipkes, Malik Farlow, Danielle George, Carolyn Jensen, Kara Kaikini, Maura Pillsbury, Michelle Ritcheson, Kelly Sink and Lily West, Student Representative

MEMBERS ABSENT: Colin Cheney, Cheyenne Farrell, Elisabeth Munsen

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

4. CONSIDERATION OF MINUTES:

VOTED: To approve the Minutes of November 8, 2023. (deCsipkes – Peterson) (8 – 0) The student representative voted with the majority.

5. ADJUSTMENTS TO THE AGENDA:

None

6. GOOD NEWS AND RECOGNITION:

A. Report from Board's Student Representative - Lily West

7. PUBLIC COMMENT:

None

8. REPORTS FROM SUPERINTENDENT:

A. Items for Information

1. Superintendent's Report

2. Resignation: Ashley Blouin, MSS 2nd Grade Teacher

9. ADMINISTRATOR REPORTS:

A. Finance - Kelly Wentworth

B. Update from Nutrition Department and Goal Review - Erin Dow

C. Update from Athletics Department and Goal Review - Eric Hall

D. Update from Durham Community School and Goal Review - Will Pidden

10. BOARD COMMENTS AND COMMITTEE REPORTS:

A. Board Information Exchange and Agenda Requests

- Maura Pillsbury informed the Board that all resolutions passed. Maura also mentioned a newspaper article about high school later start times.
- Michelle Ritcheson mentioned that DCS is having a craft fair on December 2, 2023.

B. Finance Committee

C. Policy Committee

- D. Strategic Communications Committee
- E. Facilities and Operations Committee

11. POLICY REVIEW:

None

12. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

None

13. NEW BUSINESS:

A. **VOTED:** To appoint Carolyn Jensen to the Freeport Cable TV Board.

(Pillsbury – Farlow) (8 – 0) The student representative voted with the majority.

14. PERSONNEL:

None

15. PUBLIC COMMENT:

Chris St. Pierre, Durham

16. ADJOURNMENT:

VOTED: To adjourn at 8:11 p.m. (Sink – Pillsbury) (8 – 0) The student representative voted with the majority.


Jean M. Skorapa, Superintendent of Schools