

**RSU No. 5 Board of Directors Meeting
Wednesday, March 27, 2024 – 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 April 10, 2024 meeting).

1. CALLED TO ORDER:

Chair Michelle Ritcheson called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

2. MEMBERS PRESENT: Colin Cheney, Candace deCsipkes, Malik Farlow, Cheyenne Farrell, Danielle George, Carolyn Jensen, Kara Kaikini, Elisabeth Munsen, Maura Pillsbury, Michelle Ritcheson, Kelly Sink and Phoebe Williamson, Student Representative (left at 7:41 p.m.)

MEMBERS ABSENT: None

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

4. CONSIDERATION OF MINUTES:

A. **VOTED:** To approve the Minutes of March 20, 2024.

(Jensen – George) (11 – 0) The Student Representative voted with the majority.

5. ADJUSTMENTS TO THE AGENDA:

Addition of a Resignation under Item#8.A.

Addition of Item#15.A-C.

6. GOOD NEWS AND RECOGNITION:

A. Report from Board's Student Representative - Phoebe Williamson

B. Candace deCsipkes - Outgoing Board Member

7. PUBLIC COMMENT:

Daniel Freund, Freeport

8. REPORTS FROM SUPERINTENDENT:

A. Superintendent's Report

Resignation: June Sellers, Director of Instructional Support

B. Update on the FY25 Budget

9. PUBLIC INPUT:

A. Public Input on the FY25 Budget

None

10. ADMINISTRATOR REPORTS:

A. Finance - Kelly Wentworth

11. BOARD COMMENTS AND COMMITTEE REPORTS:

A. Board Information Exchange and Agenda Requests - None

B. Finance Committee

C. Facilities and Operations Committee

D. Policy Committee

12. POLICY REVIEW:

A. **VOTED:** To approve 1st Read of the following Policies:

1. DJ-Bidding/Purchasing Requirements
2. DJH-Purchasing and Contracting: Procurement Staff Code of Conduct
3. JHB-Truancy
4. IMG-Animals in Schools

(Munsen – Kaikini) (11 – 0) The Student Representative voted with the majority.

13. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

A. **VOTED:** To approve the FY25 Superintendent's Proposed Budget.

(Sink – Pillsbury) (11 – 0)

14. NEW BUSINESS:

None

15. PERSONNEL:

A. **VOTED:** To employ Samantha Creech as a 1st Grade Teacher at Morse Street School for the 2024-2025 school year. (Farrell – Munsen) (11 – 0)

B. **VOTED:** To employ Juliana Kiley as a 2nd Grade Teacher at Morse Street School for the 2024-2025 school year. (Sink – Farlow) (11 – 0)

C. **VOTED:** To employ Madelyn White as a Wellness Teacher at Durham Community School for the 2024-2025 school year. (Pillsbury – Farlow) (11 – 0)

16. PUBLIC COMMENT:

None

17. 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. (Peterson – Kaikini) (11 – 0)

Time In: 8:00 p.m.

Time Out: 8:34 p.m.

18. ACTION AS A RESULT OF EXECUTIVE SESSION:

None

19. ADJOURNMENT:

VOTED: To adjourn at 8:35 p.m. (deCsipkes – Munsen) (11 – 0)


Jean M. Skorapa, Superintendent of Schools