

RSU #63 Board Meeting
Date: February 24, 2025
Location: Holbrook Middle School
Minutes

RSU 63 Board Member(s) Present:

Town of Holden: Amy Hart, Heather Lander, and Derrick Robertson

Town of Clifton: Linda Graban

Town of Eddington: Rachel Downs and Brittany Wood

RSU 63 Board Member(s) Absent Excused:

Town of Holden: Cherie Faulkner

Town of Eddington: Heather Grass

Linda Graban, Board Chair, called the meeting to order at 6:30pm followed by the flag salute and moment of silence.

Motion by Derrick Robertson with a second by Heather Lander to approve the minutes for the January 27, 2025 Board Meeting.

Discussion: Rachel Downs and Brittany Wood corrected comments in the minutes regarding their disapproval of Matthew Campbell as a consultant for the Negotiations Committee. The minutes were approved with the corrections.

Vote: 6 Approved; 0 Opposed

Recognition and/or Awards of Students, Staff, and Other: Heather Lander recognized Ms. Becca Jordan for coming into school early on an extremely cold day to help the custodians with shoveling when Mr. Steve Neill was out due to sickness. In addition, she wanted to thank Mrs. Stephanie McLean for being a great team member and it has been acknowledged by many parents.

Acceptance of Gifts and Donations: Superintendent Fulgoni thanked the Eddington Store for their donation of snacks, as well as the North Brewer Eddington United Methodist Church for the donation of socks to the Eddington School.

Motion by Rachel Downs with a second by Derrick Robertson to accept the gift.

Discussion: None

Vote: 6 Approved; 0 Opposed

Presentation: None

Questions and Comments from the Public: Ben Breadmore, Manager of the Town of Holden, presented additional information that was discussed at the Consolidation Meeting on February 8, 2025, that was not included in the Consolidation Committee Minutes and requested language he provided be added to the minutes. Matthew Campbell, resident of Holden, rebuked the comments that were made at January's Board Meeting about him, stating that he is an opponent of the legalization of marijuana, and that he has spoken with an attorney regarding his options. He also pointed out that one of the current board members has a criminal history. There was then a back and forth about minutes and what is chosen and not chosen to be included.

Dates of Next Committee Meetings:

1. **Policy Committee Meeting:** March 3, 2025 at 3:30pm, Holbrook Middle School
2. **Budget and Finance Workshop:** March 5, 2025 at 3:30pm, Holbrook Middle School
3. **Budget and Finance Workshop:** March 11, 2025 at 4:00pm, Holbrook Middle School
4. **Board Meeting:** March 24, 2025 at 6:30pm, Holden Elementary School
5. **Budget and Finance Workshop:** March 27, 2025 at 4:00pm, Holbrook Middle School
6. **Curriculum Committee:** March 24, 2025 at 5:30pm, Holden Elementary School
7. **School Consolidation Committee Meeting:** March 8, 2025 at 10:00am, Holden School

Budget and Finance:

Discussion: None

Superintendent's Report: Superintendent Fulgoni discussed Governor's Mills dispute with the President regarding Title IX and explained that RSU 63 is in compliance with the rollback of Title IX regulations, therefore, federal withholdings will likely not affect the District. In addition, the Superintendent reported that Maine is currently 48th in the nation in Education, but commended our teachers, students, and staff for our student's increased test scores. He discussed the State of Maine's push for full day Pre-K, which the District already implemented, commending the District for again being ahead of the curve in the State.

Acceptance of Reports: Motion by Rachel Downs with a second by Heather Lander to accept the written and verbal Committees', Administrators, and Superintendent's Report.

Discussion: None

Vote: 6 Approved; 0 Opposed

Old Business:

School Consolidation Update: Superintendent Fulgoni reported that the walk through of the Holden Elementary School was well attended. He thanked Jeff Thurlow from Carpenter Associates for attending and answering questions.

New Business:

2025-2026 School Year Calendar:

The Calendar was not approved and sent back for additional revisions and changes.

Personnel Actions

Resignations/Retirements: Lisa Beers, 3rd Grade Teacher at Holden Elementary School

Elections: None

Appointments: None

Reassignments: None.

Searches: Middle School Principal; Girls Softball Coach – A Team; Girls Softball Coach – B Team; Boys Baseball Coach – B Team; Special Education Teachers (Eddington and Holbrook); Elementary Music Teacher; MTSS Teacher (Holbrook); ELL/MLL Teacher (District); Speech Language Pathologist (District); Ed Tech II – Title I/Elementary RTI (Eddington); Spare Van Driver; and Bus Drivers.

Adjournment: At 7:04pm, motion by Derrick Robertson with a second by Rachel Downs to adjourn the meeting.

Discussion: None

Vote: 6 Approved; 0 Opposed

Respectfully submitted by,



Jared Fulgoni
RSU 63 Superintendent of Schools

APPROVED: March 31, 2025