

**RSU No. 5 Board of Directors Meeting
Wednesday, July 1, 2026 – 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 August 26, 2026 meeting).

1. CALLED TO ORDER:

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

2. MEMBERS PRESENT: Karen Breer, Colin Cheney, Anna Child, Melissa Jordan, Michelle Ritcheson, Kelly Sink, Valerie Williams, Stephanie Worth.

MEMBERS ABSENT: Kara Kaikini, Christopher Savaiano, Anne Ware

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

4. CONSIDERATION OF MINUTES:

A. **VOTED:** To approve the Minutes of June 3, 2026 and June 10, 2026.
(Breer – Worth) (8 - 0)

5. ADJUSTMENTS TO THE AGENDA:

None

6. GOOD NEWS AND RECOGNITION:

None

7. PUBLIC COMMENT:

None

8. REPORTS FROM SUPERINTENDENT:

None

9. ADMINISTRATOR REPORTS:

None

10. BOARD COMMENTS AND COMMITTEE REPORTS:

None

11. POLICY REVIEW:

None

12. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

A. Update on Systems and Sustainability Study RFP - Tom Gray

B. **VOTED:** To expend up to an additional \$60,000 for the Systems and Sustainability Study, for a total of \$160,000. Additional funds to come from the Capital Reserve.
(Cheney – Williams) (8 - 0)

13. NEW BUSINESS:

None

14. PERSONNEL:

A. VOTED: Consideration and approval to allow the Superintendent to create positions, until the first Board meeting in September, for the Special Education Early Childhood program with funding to come from the Early Childhood subsidy from the State.
(Williams – Child) (8 – 0)

15. PUBLIC COMMENT:

Meghan Metzger, Pownal

16. EXECUTIVE SESSION:

A. VOTED: To enter into Executive Session for discussion of a confidential record pursuant to 1 M.R.S.A § 405(6)(F).

Time In: 7:48 p.m.

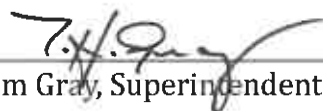
Time Out: 8:39 p.m.

17. ACTION AS A RESULT OF EXECUTIVE SESSION:

None

18. ADJOURNMENT:

VOTED: To adjourn at 8:40 p.m. (Williams – Sink) (8 – 0)



Tom Gray, Superintendent of Schools