



Regional School Unit 24 Board of Directors Meeting

Tuesday, July 21, 2009, 6:30 p.m.

Ellsworth High School, Cafeteria

MINUTES

Superintendent Bill Webster

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Board Members

Present		Name	Town	Weighted Votes	Voting %
Yes	No				
✓		Julie Curtis	Eastbrook	364	1.88%
✓		Alice Dow	Ellsworth	2358	12.21%
✓		Richard Gray	Ellsworth	2358	12.21%
	✓	Leigh Guildford	Ellsworth	2358	12.21%
✓		Jennifer Shorey	Franklin	1447	7.49%
	✓	Annie Perry	Gouldsboro	2027	10.49%
✓		Richard Malaby	Hancock	2293	11.87%
	✓	Jonathan Morren	Lamoine	1682	8.71%
6:40		Randy Bragg	Mariaville	511	2.65%
✓		Janet Wilpan	Sorrento	277	1.43%
✓		Geoff Zentz	Steuben	1122	5.81%
✓		Michael Pinkham	Sullivan	1250	6.47%
✓		James Buteau	Waltham	293	1.52%
✓		Jeffrey Alley	Winter Harbor	975	5.05%
Totals				13,248	68.59%

A. The meeting was called to order at 6:33 p.m. by Board Chair Michael Pinkham.

B. Adjustment(s) to Agenda

1. Add to beginning of Meeting Business an Executive Session pursuant to Title I, Section 405(6)C of the Maine Revised Statutes, for the purpose of discussing employment nominations.
2. Add Item D.2.e. Amanda Cooke, Pre-school Teacher, Mountain View School
3. Add Item D.2.f. Becky Coker, 4th Grade Teacher, Peninsula School
4. Add First Reading for draft policy DFDA- Co-curricular Activity Passes

C. The motion to approve the minutes from the June 30, 2009, meeting was made by Member Jeffrey Alley and seconded by Member James Buteau.

Vote: 9 Yes 0 No 1 Abstain (Jennifer Shorey) 4 Absent

D. Meeting Business

1. **The motion to enter into Executive Session, pursuant to Title I, Section 405(6)C of the Maine Revised Statutes, for the purpose of discussing employment nominations, was made by Member Jeffrey Alley and seconded by Member Jenna Shorey. Vote: 10 Yes 0 No 4 Absent
Time In: 6:37 p.m. Time Out: 7:39 p.m.**
2. **Business Item 2.d., Superintendent's nomination of In-school Suspension Specialist, will be tabled until a later time.**
3. Superintendent's nomination of new employees:
 - a. **The motion to accept the Superintendent's nomination of Heather Murad, half-time History/Lang. Arts, Gr: 7&8, Mountain View Elementary, was made by Member Julie Curtis and seconded by Member Janet Wilpan.
Vote: 11 Yes 0 No 3 Absent**
 - b. **The motion the accept the Superintendent's nomination of Tina Young, Grade 3 Teacher, Beech Hill School, was made by Member Jeffrey Alley and seconded by Member Randy Bragg.
Vote: 11 Yes 0 No 3 Absent**
 - c. **The motion to accept the Superintendent's nomination of Amanda Cooke, Pre-school Teacher, Mountain View School, was made by Member Jeffrey Alley and seconded by Member Janet Wilpan.
Vote: 11 Yes 0 No 3 Absent**
 - d. **The motion to accept the Superintendent's nomination of Becky Coker, 4th Grade Teacher, Peninsula School, was made by Member Jeffrey Alley and seconded by Member Julie Curtis.
Vote: 11 Yes 0 No 3 Absent**

** A recess was taken from 7:50 – 8:20 p.m.**

 - e. **The motion to accept the Superintendent's nomination of Renee Thompson, Assistant Principal, Ellsworth High School, was made by Member Dick Gray and seconded by Member Alice Dow.
Vote: 11 Yes 0 No 3 Absent**
4. **The motion to adopt the Teacher Certification Support System Guide for RSU 24 was made by Member Jeffrey Alley and seconded by Member Jenna Shorey.
Vote: 11 Yes 0 No 3 Absent**

5. **The motion that acknowledges that the provisions included in the draft School Reorganization Plan between Otis SAU and RSU24 are determined to be necessary within the meaning of 20-A, Section 1461 (3), and that the Superintendent of Schools be, and hereby is, authorized and directed to submit the School Reorganization Plan to the Commissioner of Education on behalf of RSU 24 was made by Member Dick Gray and seconded by Member Randy Bragg.**

Vote: 11 Yes 0 No 3 Absent

6. **The motion to move the September 15, 2009, Board meeting to September 22, 2009, to allow for the call of a November 3, 2009, referendum should the town of Otis approve the School Reorganization Plan between Otis SAU and RSU 24 was made by Member Jeffrey Alley and seconded by Member Janet Wilpan.**

Vote: 11 Yes 0 No 3 Absent

7. **The motion to authorize the withdrawal of former Steuben Municipal School District employees from the MMA Unemployment Trust Fund was made by Member Jeffrey Alley and seconded by Member Jenna Shorey.**

Vote: 11 Yes 0 No 3 Absent

8. **The motion to accept for First Reading policy DFDA- Co-curricular Activity Passes, was made by Member Geoff Zentz and seconded by Alice Dow.**

Vote: 11 Yes 0 No 3 Absent

9. **The motion to adopt the following policies as amended, was made by Member Geoff Zentz and seconded by Member Alice Dow.**

Vote: 11 Yes 0 No 3 Absent

IHBA~ Individual Education Programs

IHBAA~ Referral/Pre-Referral of Students with Disabilities

IHBAA-R~ Referral/Pre-Referral of Students with Disabilities
Administrative Procedure.

IHBAC~ Child Find

JKF~ Disciplinary Removals of Students with Disabilities

JKF-R~ Disciplinary Removals of Students with Disabilities
Administrative Procedures

JKGA~ Designated Time Out Rooms and Therapeutic Restraint

JKGA-R~ Designated Time Out Rooms and Therapeutic Restraint
Administrative Procedures

JRA~ Student Education Records and Information

JRA-E~ Annual Notice of Student Education Records and Informational
Rights

JRA-R~ Student Education Records and Information Administrative
Procedures

10. Personnel Committee

- a. **The motion to enter Executive Session, pursuant to Title I, Section 405(6)(A) of the Maine Revised Statutes, for the purpose of discussing**

proposed employee compensation as recommended, was made by Member Jeffrey Alley and seconded by Member Richard Malaby.

Vote: 11 Yes 0 No 3 Absent

Time In: 8:48 p.m. Time Out: 9:11 p.m.

b. The motion to approve compensation, contracts and work agreements as discussed and amended in Executive Session was made by Member Jeffrey Alley and seconded by Member Geoff Zentz.

Vote: 11 Yes 0 No 3 Absent

c. Status of negotiations with Hancock Grammar School teachers- no motion.

d. The motion to adopt the evaluation tool for Superintendent with recommended changes plus others was made by Member Jeffrey Alley and seconded by Member Jenna Shorey.

Vote: 11 Yes 0 No 3 Absent

11. The motion to adopt the preliminary goals as a starting point and a work-in-progress for RSU24, was made by Member Dick Gray and seconded by Member Alice Dow.

Vote: 11 Yes 0 No 3 Absent

E. The motion to accept the Superintendent's recommendation of the new schools starting date of September 4, 2009, for students and August 31, 2009, for Teachers, was made by Member Dick Gray and seconded by Member Alice Dow. Vote: 11 Yes 0 No 3 Absent

F. Next Meetings: Policy Committee Meeting, July 29
All-Committees Meeting, August 4, 2009, 6:30 p.m., Mill Mall
Monthly Meeting, August 18, 2009, 6:30 p.m., Sumner High School

G. Board Member Comments/Review Meeting – several questions were posed concerning payment for Board member services.

H. The motion to adjourn at 9:40 p.m., was made by Member Jeffrey Alley and seconded by Member Janet Wilpan. Vote: 11 Yes 0 No 3 Absent

Respectfully Submitted by Nelia A. Lake, Administrative Assistant to the Superintendent of Schools, August 5, 2009