



Regional School Unit 24 Board of Directors Meeting

Tuesday, May 17, 2011, 6:30 p.m.

Ellsworth High School

Cafeteria

MINUTES

Superintendent S. Wayne Enman

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Board Members

Present		Name	Town	Weighted Votes	Voting %
Yes	No				
✓		Julie Curtis	Eastbrook	364	1.88%
✓		Michelle Dewitt	Ellsworth	2358	12.21%
✓		Richard Gray	Ellsworth	2358	12.21%
✓		Harold "Tug" White	Ellsworth	2358	12.21%
✓		Jennifer Shorey	Franklin	1447	7.49%
✓		Annie Perry	Gouldsboro	2027	10.49%
✓		Michael Bierman	Hancock	2293	11.87%
✓		Brett Jones	Lamoine	1682	8.71%
✓		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	19,315 100%
					18,340 94.95%

No Student Representatives were present

A. The meeting was called to order at 6:35 p.m. by Board Chair Michael Pinkham

B. Adjustments to Agenda

Addition to Agenda of Items: C- Executive Session to consider student disciplinary matter,
Full Board, EHS AP Room

C. a- Possible action regarding Executive Session

F.1.f.- Resignation- Cathy Gage, Reading Recovery, CHS

G.2- EHS School Improvement Grant Update

G.3.b- Consideration of a motion to recommend a Kindergarten

–Grade 12 program appropriation of \$35,471,989.75, with a local share of \$23,807, 384.64. Proposed motions attached.

C. The motion to approve the minutes as presented from the May 3, 2011 meeting was made by Member Randy Bragg and seconded by Member Jamie Buteau.

Vote: Yes:11 No: 0 Absent: 1 (JA) Abstain: 2 (MD,AP) Student: N/A
 Total Votes in Favor: 13,955 Votes Opposed: 0 Votes Abstaining: 4385

D. The motion to enter in Executive Session pursuant to MRSA Title 1, 405 (6)(B) to discuss a student issue was made by Member Annie Perry and seconded by Member Julie Curtis. Time in: 6:37 p.m. Time Out: 8:17 p.m.

Vote: Yes:13 No: 0 Absent: 1 (JA) Abstain: 0 Student: N/A

Total Votes in Favor: 18,340 Votes Opposed: 0 Votes Abstaining: 0

- a. The motion that, “The student under consideration be further suspended until a date determined by the Superintendent of Schools. At that time, the Superintendent shall offer to the student educational services in a regular or an alternative education, or a combination of both for the balance of the school year and that the Board and the parent(s) be provided with the RSUB’s findings”, was made by Member Annie Perry and seconded by Member Geoff Zentz.

Voting as follows:

Name	Votes	In Favor	Opposed	Abstain
Julie Curtis	364	✓		
Michelle Dewitt	2358	✓		
Richard Gray	2358	✓		
Harold White	2358		✓	
Jennifer Shorey	1447		✓	
Annie Perry	2027	✓		
Mike Bierman	2293	✓		
Brett Jones	1682	✓		
Randy Bragg	511		✓	
Janet Wilpan	277	✓		
Geoff Zentz	1122	✓		
Michael Pinkham	1250	✓		
James Buteau	293	✓		
Jeffrey Alley	975	ABSENT	ABSENT	ABSENT
Total Votes	18,340	14,024	4316	
Student Rep	N/A			
<i>This motion passes</i>				

E. Report given by the Board Chair to include the extension of the term of Member Harold “Tug” White.

F. Report given by the Superintendent, which included the following:

Resignations

- a. Marleina Ford- Advanced Math, EEMS, effective end of school year
- b. Ruth Billings- Gifted & Talented, EEMS & EHS, effective end of school year
- c. Marie Hruby-Frake- Ed Tech III, EEMS, effective end of school year
- d. Amy Faucher, Ed Tech III, EEMS, effective end of school year
- e. Deborah Geel- Ed Tech, BHS, effective May 20, 2011
- f. Cathy Gage- Reading Recovery Teacher, Cave Hill School, effective end of school year

G. Business

1. **The motion to approve the travel request of Cathy Lewis, Beech Hill School, 8th Grade Trip, June 7-9, Boston, was made by Member Dick Gray and seconded by Member Geoff Zentz.**
Vote: Yes:13 No: 0 Absent: 1 (JA) Abstain: 0 Student: N/A
Total Votes in Favor: 18,340 Votes Opposed: 0 Votes Abstaining: 0
2. EHS School Improvement Grant Update given by Katrina Kane
3. Report from the Policy Committee and First Read approval consideration for the following policies:
 - a. **The motion to approve policy JICH- Substance Use/Abuse by Students, for first read was made by Member Geoff Zentz and seconded by Member Dick Gray.**
Vote: Yes:13 No: 0 Absent: 1 (JA) Abstain: 0 Student: N/A
Total Votes in Favor: 18,340 Votes Opposed: 0 Votes Abstaining: 0
 - b. **The motion to approve policy JJIE- Substance Use/Abuse by Students Participating in Co-Curricular Activities for first read was made by Member Geoff Zentz and seconded by Member Dick Gray.**
Vote: Yes:13 No: 0 Absent: 1 (JA) Abstain: 0 Student: N/A
Total Votes in Favor: 18,340 Votes Opposed: 0 Votes Abstaining: 0
4. Report from the Finance Committee, with possible consideration of the following motions:
 - a. **The motion to recommend adoption of an Adult Education Program appropriation of \$642,499.52 with a local share of \$237,315.73, was made by member Jennifer Shorey and seconded by Member Annie Perry.**
Vote: Yes:13 No: 0 Absent: 1 (JA) Abstain: 0 Student: N/A
Total Votes in Favor: 18,340 Votes Opposed: 0 Votes Abstaining: 0
 - b. **The motion to recommend approval of a Kindergarten –Grade 12 program appropriation of \$35,471,989.75, with a local share of \$23,807, 384.64, with the further motions as written below was made by Member Jennifer Shorey and seconded by Member Annie Perry.**
 - I. **Voted: that the warrant for the Regional School Unit #24 Budget Meeting presented to the meeting be and is hereby approved and that a Regional School Unit budget meeting be and is hereby called for May 25, 2011 for the purpose of voting on the annual budget for the Regional School Unit for the 2011-2012 fiscal year.**
 - II. **Further Voted: That the Warrant and Notice of Election for the Regional School Unit Budget Validation Referendum presented to the meeting be and is hereby approved, and that a Regional School Unit budget validation referendum be and is hereby called for June 14, 2011 for the purpose of approving the budget adopted at the Regional School Unit budget meeting for the 2011-2012 fiscal year.**
 - III. **Further Voted: That the form of Notice of Amounts Adopted at Budget Meeting presented to this meeting be and is hereby approved, and that the Superintendent of Schools of Regional School Unit #24 is hereby authorized and directed to complete said Notice by adding the amounts approved by the voters for each expenditure category and the total school budget summary expenditure amount, all in accordance with the Regional School Unit budget meeting on May 2, 2011, and to cause copies of said notice, as completed, to be delivered to the municipal clerks of each municipality of the Regional School Unit for posting at the polling places for the June 14, 2011 Regional School Unit budget validation referendum.**

Vote: Yes:13 No: 0 Absent: 1 (JA) Abstain: 0 Student: N/A
Total Votes in Favor: 18,340 Votes Opposed: 0 Votes Abstaining: 0

5. Report given by the Transportation & Facilities Committee
6. Report given by the Personnel Committee and consideration of the following motions:
 - a. **The motion to ratify the contract between the RSU Board of Directors and the RSU24 Bus Drivers, represented by AFSCME, was made by Member Annie Perry and seconded by Member Julie Curtis.**
Vote: Yes:13 No: 0 Absent: 1 (JA) Abstain: 0 Student: N/A
Total Votes in Favor: 18,340 Votes Opposed: 0 Votes Abstaining: 0
 - b. **The motion to ratify the contract between the RSU Board of Directors and the RSU24 Custodians, represented by AFSCME, was made by Member Annie Perry and seconded by Member Julie Curtis.**
Vote: Yes:13 No: 0 Absent: 1 (JA) Abstain: 0 Student: N/A
Total Votes in Favor: 18,340 Votes Opposed: 0 Votes Abstaining: 0
 - c. **The motion to approve the agreement regarding Beech Hill School Teachers and to authorize the Superintendent to make minor language changes was made by Member Annie Perry and seconded by Member Julie Curtis.**
Vote: Yes:13 No: 0 Absent: 1 (JA) Abstain: 0 Student: N/A
Total Votes in Favor: 18,340 Votes Opposed: 0 Votes Abstaining: 0

7. No Executive Session held.

H. Board Member Review of Meeting

- I. **The motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:55 p.m. was made by Member Michelle Dewitt and seconded by Member Julie Curtis.**
Vote: Yes:13 No: 0 Absent: 1 (JA) Abstain: 0 Student: N/A
Total Votes in Favor: 18,340 Votes Opposed: 0 Votes Abstaining: 0

Respectfully Submitted,

Nelia A. Lake

Administrative Assistant to the
Superintendent of Schools