



**Regional School Unit 24 Board of Directors Meeting**  
 Tuesday, February 15, 2011, 6:30 p.m.  
 Mountain View School  
 Sullivan

**MINUTES**

**Board Members**

<b>Present</b>		<b>Name</b>	<b>Town</b>	<b>Weighted Votes</b>	<b>Voting %</b>
<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>				
	✓	Julie Curtis	Eastbrook	364	1.88%
✓		Michelle Dewitt	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%
✓		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%
6:55		James Buteau	Waltham	293	1.52%
✓		Jeffrey Alley	Winter Harbor	975	5.05%
			<b>Totals</b>	<b>19,315</b>	<b>100%</b>
				<b>18,658</b>	<b>96.60%</b>
		<u>Student Representatives</u>	<u>School</u>		
✓		Helen Conway*	SMHS		

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

B. Adjustments to Agenda

- Addition of Agenda Item F.4- Consideration of Approval of Head Bus Driver Job  
Description
- Addition of Agenda Item F.7.a- Consideration to allow teachers employed by RSU24 to retire in February- must show evidence in writing no later than February 28.
- Addition of Agenda Item F.7.b- Consideration of extended Leave of Absence- Cathy and Dean Paquette, teachers, EEMS & HGS, Music

- C. The motion to approve the minutes from the January 25 RSU Board Meeting was made by Member Annie Perry and seconded by Member Randy Bragg.  
Vote: Yes 11 No: 0 Absent: 2 (JC,JB) Student: 1 approve  
Total Votes in Favor: 17,683 Votes Opposed: 0 Votes Abstaining: 975 (JA)**
- D. Report given from the Board Chair Michael Pinkham, which included the resignation of Ellsworth Board Member Leigh Guildford, effective March 1, 2011.
- E. Report given from the Superintendent, which including an update on Cave Hill School water issue, Peninsula School phone and heat issues, Surry request to transport students to EHS-mornings only, and a report of the following:
- a. New Hires/Transfers
    1. Deb Arnold- Transfer, EEMS, K to 3<sup>rd</sup> grade, 2011/12 school year
    2. Elena Bourakovsky- Career Ed Specialist, EHS
    3. Julia Conway- Ed Tech III, Mountain View
  - b. Resignations
    1. Cynthia Dineen, Music, Mountain View, 6/30/11
    2. Paula Lord-Wilson, English, SMHS, 6/30/11
    3. Chris Keefe- Chemistry, EHS, 6/30/11
    4. Donny Clark- Custodian, Ellsworth Schools, 4/1/11
    5. Henry Gignoux, SMHS, 6/30/11
  - c. Retirement- effective June 30, 2011
    1. Sharon McIntyre, EEMS, Grade 8
    2. Andrea St. George-Jones, SMHS, English
    3. Helen Cochrane, EEMS, Grade 3
    4. Kathleen Weymouth, EEMS, Title 1
    5. Judy Mason, Ella Lewis, Peninsula, Art
    6. Ethel Ossolinski, Peninsula, Grade 4
    7. Kenneth Fogelman, SMHS, Special Education
    8. Ralph Spaulding, District, Special Education Director
- F. Business
1. Travel Requests
    - a. **The motion to approve the travel request of teacher Andrea Pelletier- SMHS, Ski Club, March 11-12, Bretton Woods, N.H., was approved by Member Annie Perry and seconded by Member Geoff Zentz.  
Vote: Yes 12 No: 0 Absent: 2 (JC,JB) Student: 1 approve  
Total Votes in Favor: 18,658 Votes Opposed: 0 Votes Abstaining: 0**
    - b. **The motion to approve the travel request of teacher Henri Gignoux- SMHS, Junior Science & Humanities Symposium, March 31- April 1, University of N.H.- Durham Campus, was approved by Member Jeffrey Alley and seconded by Member Michelle Dewitt.  
Vote: Yes 11 No: 1 (DG) Absent: 2 (JC,JB) Student: 1 approve  
Total Votes in Favor: 16,300 Votes Opposed: 2358 Votes Abstaining: 0**
  2. SMHS Pathways Presentation given.
  3. **The motion to approve the new SMHS and EHS graduation dates, was made by Member Jeffrey Alley and seconded by Member Janet Wilpan.**
    - a. **Summer Memorial High School – June 16<sup>th</sup>**
    - b. **Ellsworth High School – June 17<sup>th</sup>**

**Vote: Yes 11 No: 1 (JS) Absent: 1 (JC) Student: 1 opposed**  
**Total Votes in Favor: 17,504 Votes Opposed: 1447 Votes Abstaining: 0**

4. **The motion to approve the new Head Bus Driver Job Description as written was made by Member Jeffrey Alley and seconded by Member Geoff Zentz.**  
**Vote: Yes 13 No: 0 Absent: 12 (JC) Student: 1 approve**  
**Total Votes in Favor: 18,951 Votes Opposed: 0 Votes Abstaining: 0**
5. Presentation- 2011-12 Beech Hill School Education Plan and Public Session
6. Report from Policy Committee was given and **motion to approve the following policies for “first read” was made by Member Geoff Zentz and seconded by Member Dick Gray:**
  - a. **IGA-Curriculum Development and Adoption**
  - b. **GCFB-R- Recruiting/Hiring of Admin. Staff Administrative Procedure**
  - c. **GCI- Professional Staff Development Opportunities**
  - d. **IHBG- Home-School Instruction**
  - e. **JJH- Out of State Travel-Student Groups****Vote: Yes 13 No: 0 Absent: 1 (JC) Student: 1 approve**  
**Total Votes in Favor: 18,951 Votes Opposed: 0 Votes Abstaining: 0**
7. Report given from Personnel Committee, to include:
  - a. **The motion to allow Superintendent to grant teachers employed by RSU24 ability to retire in February (must show evidence in writing no later than February 28), was made by Member Jeffrey Alley and seconded by Member Annie Perry.**  
**Vote: Yes 13 No: 0 Absent: 1 (JC) Student: 1 approve**  
**Total Votes in Favor: 18,951 Votes Opposed: 0 Votes Abstaining: 0**
  - b. **The motion to grant an extended leave of absence for teachers Cathy and Dean Paquette, was made by Member Jeffrey Alley and seconded by Member Annie Perry.**  
**Vote: Yes 13 No: 0 Absent: 1 (JC) Student: 1 approve**  
**Total Votes in Favor: 18,951 Votes Opposed: 0 Votes Abstaining: 0**
8. Report given from Finance/Budget Committee
8. **The motion to enter into Executive Session A, pursuant to MRSA Title 1, Section 405 (6)(E), for the purpose of discussing negotiations, was made by Member Jeffrey Alley and seconded by Member Annie Perry.**  
**Vote: Yes 13 No: 0 Absent: 1 (JC) Student: 0**  
**Total Votes in Favor: 18,951 Votes Opposed: 0 Votes Abstaining: 0**  
**Time In: 8:53 p.m. Time Out: 9:30 p.m.**
11. No Action taken regarding Executive Session A
12. **The motion to enter into Executive Session B, pursuant to MRSA Title 1, Section 405 (6)(A), for the purpose of discussing superintendent search was made by Member Annie Perry and seconded by Member Jenna Shorey.**  
**Vote: Yes 13 No: 0 Absent: 1 (JC) Student: 0**  
**Total Votes in Favor: 18,951 Votes Opposed: 0 Votes Abstaining: 0**  
**Time In: 9:31 p.m. Time Out: 9:47 p.m.**

**13. The motion to authorize the Superintendent to hire Henry Ashmore to carry out the day-to-day of the Superintendent in S. Wayne Enman's absence was made by Member Jeffrey Alley and seconded by Member Annie Perry.**

**Vote: Yes 12 No: 1 (MD) Absent: 1 (JC) Student: 0**

**Total Votes in Favor: 16,593 Votes Opposed: 2358 Votes Abstaining: 0**

G. Board Member Review of Meeting

**H. The motion to adjourn the meeting at 9:50 was made by Member Annie Perry and seconded by Member Michelle Dewitt.**

**Vote: Yes 13 No: 0 Absent: 1 (JC) Student: 0**

**Total Votes in Favor: 18,951 Votes Opposed: 0 Votes Abstaining: 0**

Respectfully Submitted,

Nelia A. Lake  
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Superintendent of Schools