

MAINE SCHOOL ADMINISTRATIVE DISTRICT No. 52
Greene, Leeds, and Turner, Maine

Minutes of the Fifth Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors for 2013-2014
October 10, 2013 6:30 P.M. Leeds Central School

Members present: Elizabeth Bullard; Yuri Kowalski; Robert Allen; Diana Morgan; JoAnn Nickerson; Jon Woodard; Eric Milliken and Richard Gross

Members absent: Peter Ricker

Others Present: Henry Aliberti, Superintendent of Schools; Becky Foley, Assistant Superintendent of Schools; Deborah Alden, Special Education Director; Deborah Roberts, Business Manager; Eben Shaw, Leavitt Area High School Principal; Gail Marine, Tripp Middle School Principal; Cynthia Alexander, Turner Elementary School Principal; Danielle Harris, Leeds Central School Principal; Glen Reynolds, Facilities/ Transportation Director; Karen Potvin, Technology Coordinator (6:45 p.m.); District Citizens; District Employees

1. Chairperson Elizabeth Bullard called the meeting to order at 6:29 P.M. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Eric Milliken.
2. The Fourth Regular Meeting Minutes, September 19, 2013 were approved under general consent.
3. Communications:
 - 3.1 Superintendent Aliberti reported the resignation of Jessica Noyes, Turner Primary School Functional Life Skills Ed Tech I, effective October 10, 2013.
 - 3.2 Superintendent Aliberti reported the resignation of Amy Mousseau, Greene Central School Special Education Day Treatment Ed Tech III, effective September 27, 2013.
 - 3.3 Superintendent Aliberti reported the resignation of Shannon Wooten, Greene Central School Special Education Ed Tech I, effective October 10, 2013.
 - 3.4 Superintendent Aliberti reported the resignation of Emily Libby, Turner Primary School Title 1A Ed Tech III, effective September 20, 2013.
 - 3.5 Superintendent Aliberti reported the resignation of Nancy Kenneally, Leavitt Area High School Education Special Education Ed Tech III, effective October 4, 2013.
 - 3.6 Superintendent Aliberti reported the resignation of Terri Breton, Tripp Middle School Special Education Ed Tech III, effective October 11, 2013.
 - 3.7 Superintendent Aliberti reported the resignation of Tina Smith, Tripp Middle School Food Service Assistant, effective October 3, 2013.
4. Adjustments to Agenda:

8. Consent Agenda – Items to be acted upon collectively unless a Board member asks that a specific item be acted upon individually.

- 8.1 Non-Instructional Appointments

- 8.1.7 Removal of Agenda Item

5. Committee Reports:

- 5.1 Finance Committee: Jon Woodard reported the committee has not met.
- 5.2 Plant/Transportation/Building Committee: Peter Ricker reported the committee has not met.
- 5.3 Curriculum/Policy Committee: JoAnn Nickerson reported the committee had met and continued to discuss Policy JJJ regarding eligibility requirements around extra-curricular activities. She informed the Board there are updated policies that they will be voting on later this evening.
- 5.4 Student Representative's Report: Alli Woodard reported that on September 28th, Homecoming was held at the high school complete with sports events, dunk tank, and a float competition. The junior class won. Coach Hathaway received second place for Best High School Football Coach in Maine. Juniors are in the process of taking the PSAT. All are encouraged to attend the student directed plays on October 25th, at 7:00 p.m. in Leavitt's auditorium.
- 5.5 Administrator's Report: Assistant Superintendent Becky Foley reported that there is a lot going on in curriculum. Elementary school teachers are learning how to differentiate more extensively through the ADS (Assessment Differentiation System) in the Everyday Math Program. The math pacing guide has been adjusted at Tripp Middle School. K-8 teachers are giving and scoring narrative writing. Middle and high school content teachers have worked with Kellie Smith on how to teach reading comprehension through the content area. Twenty-eight teachers will be attending the PBIS conference in November with all levels in the District presenting at the conference. The 4-6 report card will be utilized this year, and a committee is beginning to work on the K-3 report card. The Title One Summer Program sent books home throughout the summer to students. Leeds' students did not perform quite as well. Staff will try to encourage parents to read with their students throughout the summer. This is key to preventing students from regressing in their skill level over the summer.
- 5.6 Superintendent's Report: Dr. Aliberti reported that NECAP testing is occurring. He relayed information to the legislators about our concern about billing for the charter students. Dr. Aliberti believes that the EPS funds should be paid directly to the Public Charter School instead of having them included in our local district subsidy calculation annually and then forwarded on to the Public Charter School when we receive a bill from them each quarter. Administration will be making a recommendation about whether there should be a reserve account to cover charter school students. There may be a 9.5 million cut in General Purpose Aid in 2014. There have been no developments in our Maine Care Audit. Our District audit will be reviewed hopefully at the November board meeting. All of the long range committees have met at least once. All minutes are being posted. The iPad insurance has been finalized, with the

cost being \$52 per unit with a \$50 deductible. Soon, it will be time to choose the Patience Norman recipient for this year.

The Maine School Management Conference will be taking place at the end of October. A motion was made by Robert Allen, seconded by Jon Woodard and voted unanimously by those present for Diana Morgan to be the delegate for the Maine School Boards' Association. A motion was made by Robert Allen, seconded by Jon Woodard and voted unanimously by those present for Richard Gross to be the alternate delegate.

6. Public Comment: Gayton Breton would like to thank Mr. Reynolds that his kids' bus ride is shorter this year. His concern is about the price of the iPad insurance and how this was communicated. He has not been able to locate a District policy allowing the District to give a reduced price to families of the free and reduced students. He also wonders who sets the price, and would like to know what policy covers this issue. Dr. Aliberti replied that there is no District policy about subsidizing the cost of laptop insurance. This has been past practice since insurance was obtained in 2010. Students who receive free lunch are billed at 50% the cost; those who receive reduced lunch are billed at 30% the cost of the insurance. This is budgeted within the technology lines of the budget.

7. Old Business - None.

8. Consent Agenda:

- 8.1 Non-Instructional Appointments –A motion was made by Diana Morgan, seconded by Robert Allen and voted unanimously by those present to approve all Non-Instructional appointments.

- 8.1.1 Melanie North, Adult Education Academic Instructor

- 8.1.2 Leavitt Area High School Returning Coaches:
Chantel St.Laurent, JV Girls Soccer
Pete Higgins, Weight Room Supervisor (32%)

- 8.1.3 Joleen Blue, Tripp Middle School 8th Girls Soccer Coach

- 8.1.4 Michelle Boone, Greene Central School Special Education Ed Tech II

- 8.1.5 Annette Huri, Turner Primary School Ed Tech III

- 8.1.6 Curtis Hathaway, District Wide Van Driver

- 8.1.7 Agenda Item removed

- 8.1.8 Danielle Stevens, Leeds Central School Food Service Assistant

- 8.1.9 Stephanie Marcotte, Greene Central School Special Education Ed Tech I

9. New Business:

- 9.1 Instructional Nominations – A motion was made by Richard Gross, seconded by Robert Allen and voted unanimously by those present to approve all Instructional appointments.

- 9.1.1 Garrett Christian, Turner Elementary School Part-time Computer Teacher

- 9.1.2 Terri Breton, Turner Primary School Special Education Functional Life Skills Teacher

9.2 The District has gone from 25 students needing special transportation to currently having 38 students with this need. This is not a budgeted item. The District has had to contract out services for some of the trips. The District is obligated to provide an alternative bus when they are identified students with an individualized education plan. Although, tonight's request is for a four hour driver, if the District had a six hour driver, they could keep them busy. A motion was made by Richard Gross, seconded by Robert Allen and voted unanimously by those present to approve an additional 6-hour bus driver position.

9.3 A motion was made by Diana Morgan, seconded by Jon Woodard and voted unanimously by those present to approve Agenda Items 9.3-9.12.

9.3 First and Second Reading and Approval of Policy ADF – School District Commitment to Learning Results & Common Core Standards

9.4 First and Second Reading and Approval of Policy BBA – School Board Powers and Responsibilities

9.5 First and Second Reading and Approval of Policy BBAA – Board Member Authority and Responsibilities

9.6 First and Second Reading and Approval of Policy BBBC – Board Member Recognition

9.7 First and Second Reading and Approval of Policy BDG – School Attorney

9.8 First and Second Reading and Approval of Policy BID – Board Member Compensation and Expenses

9.9 First and Second Reading and Approval of Policy DGA – Authorized Signatures

9.10 First and Second Reading and Approval of Policy EEBC – Use of Personal Vehicles on School Business

9.11 First and Second Reading and Approval of Policy GBB – Staff Involvement in Policy Development

9.12 First and Second Reading and Approval of Policy IK – Academic Achievement

10. Other Business:

10.1 July and August financials need to be approved and will be on the October 24th Board agenda.

11. A motion was made by Diana Morgan, seconded by Jon Woodard and voted unanimously by those present to adjourn the meeting at 7:38 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,



Henry Aliberti, Secretary