

# MAINE SCHOOL ADMINISTRATIVE DISTRICT NO. 52

Greene, Leeds, and Turner, Maine

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## Minutes of the First Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors for 2013-2014

August 8, 2013 6:30 P.M. Greene Central School

Members present: Elizabeth Bullard; Eric Milliken; Yuri Kowalski; Robert Allen; Peter Ricker; Diana Morgan; Richard Gross

Members absent: JoAnn Nickerson; Jon Woodard

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; Theresa Gillis, Turner Primary School Principal; Pamela Doyen, Greene Central School Principal, Danielle Harris, Leeds Central School Principal; Glen Reynolds, Facilities/ Transportation Director; District Citizens; District Employees

1. Chairperson Elizabeth Bullard called the meeting to order at 6:33 P.M. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Peter Ricker.
2. The Eighteenth Regular Meeting Minutes, June 20, 2013, were approved under general consent.
3. Communications:
  - 3.1 Superintendent Aliberti reported the resignation of Teresa Prince as Turner Primary School Counselor.
  - 3.2 Superintendent Aliberti reported the resignation of Brenna Parent as Leavitt Area High School Counselor.
  - 3.3 Superintendent Aliberti reported the resignation of Fatma Perry as Adult Education Lead Teacher.
  - 3.4 Superintendent Aliberti reported the resignation of Nicole Hamlin as K-8 Behavior Specialist.
  - 3.5 Superintendent Aliberti reported the resignation of Libby Cronkhite as Turner Elementary Teacher.
  - 3.6 Superintendent Aliberti reported the resignation of Ryan Melanson as Adult Education Instructor.
  - 3.7 Superintendent Aliberti reported the resignation of Geraldine Farrington as District Wide Van Driver.
  - 3.8 Superintendent Aliberti reported the resignation of Molly Hibler as Greene Central School Special Ed. Ed Tech I.

- 3.9 Superintendent Aliberti reported the resignation of Catherine Howard as Leavitt Area High School Guidance Counselor.
- 3.10 Superintendent Aliberti reported the resignation of Jeff Ramich as Leavitt Area High School Athletic Director.
- 3.11 Superintendent Aliberti reported the resignation of Carrie Fichter as Tripp Middle School Teacher.
- 3.12 Superintendent Aliberti reported the resignation of Rachel Gulezian as Leeds Central School Guidance Counselor.
- 3.13 Superintendent Aliberti reported the transfer of Connie Maloney as Computer Teacher from Turner Elementary School to Computer Teacher at Tripp Middle School.
- 3.14 Superintendent Aliberti reported the transfer of Shannon Wooten as Special Ed. Ed. Tech II from Turner Elementary School to Special Ed. Ed. Tech I at Greene Central School.
- 3.15 Superintendent Aliberti read a thank you note from The Special Olympics in memory of Daniel Ramiller for the district donation of \$35.00.
- 3.16 Superintendent Aliberti read a thank you note from Jazz Kuvo Blues KBJZ News in memory of Steve Bieringer for the district donation of \$35.00.
- 3.17 Superintendent Aliberti read a thank you note from The Saint Bernadette Church in memory of Pauline Charbonneau for the district donation of \$35.00.
- 3.18 Superintendent Aliberti reported the receipt of a \$1000.00 donation from Hannaford Supermarket in Turner towards our music program.

4. Adjustments to Agenda:

9. New Business

9.7 Leavitt Area High School Athletic Director

9.8 Kindergarten Position for Turner Primary School

9.9 District Bus Driver Position

9.1 Instructional Nominations – To be acted upon collectively after nominations have been read by the Superintendent

9.1.2 Turner Elementary Grade 6 Teacher

5. Committee Reports:

5.1 Finance Committee: Diana reported that the committee met to talk about the impact of the additional funds from the general purpose aid that we are expected to receive

from the State. The committee will invite the selectmen to the next Board meeting to discuss. We are projected to receive an additional \$200,000.00. The recommendation is to wait until June of 2014 to refund this to the taxpayer, so the District can be assured that we are actually receiving more than we think as the last several years monies have been sequestered mid-year.

The second item discussed was the need to transfer some monies from one article to another to cover some overages.

Lastly, the committee recommends a salary in the amount of \$70,000.00 for the new athletic director.

- 5.2 Plant/Transportation/Building Committee: Peter Ricker reported the committee has not met.
- 5.3 Curriculum/Policy Committee: Becky Foley reported in JoAnn's absence that the committee has not met, but the next meeting has been scheduled for August 22, 2013 at Leeds Central School at 5:30 p.m.
- 5.4 Student Representative's Report: No student report.
- 5.5 Administrator's Report: No administrator report.
- 5.6 Superintendent's Report: Superintendent Aliberti reported that the Board Retreat is August 19, 2013 at 2:00 p.m. The Administrators will join the Board at 4:00 p.m. Agenda will be distributed next week. Someone from the Maine School Management will facilitate the meeting.

On August 14, 2013, the District will hold a public sale, with lots of technology items being sold.

The administrative team met on Tuesday which included a discussion of the book, The Advantage.

Dr. Aliberti, Ms. Foley, and Mr. Shaw attended a workshop on Proficiency Based Learning. By statute, the District must have a performance based diploma implemented by January 1, 2018.

A new well at the high school is being drilled. Glen Reynolds reported that by Monday, we should know the capacity of what the well can produce on a daily basis.

## 6. Public Comment:

Cathy Brown spoke about her concerns surrounding Policy JJJ which is the eligibility for sports. The policy's last revision was in 2006. The current policy reads that if a student fails two subjects in the spring, they are ineligible for fall sports. Cathy feels that no other middle school in the state has such a punitive policy. She feels that taking away sports has a huge impact on students during these transitional years.

Pam Doyen thanked the Board for accepting the bench in memory of Nathan Capponi.

## 7. Old Business - None.

## 8. Consent Agenda:

8.1 Non-Instructional Appointments – The weight room supervisor nomination removed from the list of nominations and tabled. A motion was made by Diana Morgan, seconded by Yuri Kowalski and voted unanimously by those present to approve all remaining Non-Instructional appointments.

### 8.1.1 Leavitt Area High School 2013 Fall Coaches:

Brenda Perry, Varsity Cheering Coach  
Dustin Williamson, Varsity Cross Country Coach  
Wanda Ward-Maclean, Varsity Field Hockey Coach  
Jen Small, Junior Varsity Field Hockey Coach  
Tara Giroux, Freshman Field Hockey Coach  
Mike Hathaway, Varsity Football Coach  
Mark Bonnevie, Assistant Varsity Football Coach  
Chris Gray, Junior Varsity Football Coach  
Harry Haylock, Varsity Golf Coach  
Isaiah Davis, Varsity Boys' Soccer Coach  
Jamie Juntura, Assistant Boys' Soccer Coach  
Chris Cifelli, Varsity Girls' Soccer Coach  
Pete Higgins, Volunteer Football Coach  
Randy Chicoine, Volunteer Football Coach  
Doug Conn, Volunteer Football Coach  
Randy Gray, Volunteer Football Manager  
Larry Hathaway, Volunteer Football Coach  
James Theiss, Volunteer Football Coach  
Dave Bochtler, Volunteer Football Coach  
Cathy Marston, Volunteer Field Hockey Coach  
Shawn Fanjoy, Volunteer Football Coach  
Darryl Coombs, Volunteer Football Coach

8.1.2 Joe Hutchinson, Varsity Boys' Ice Hockey Coach

8.1.3 Renee Davis, Leavitt Area High School Director of the Fall Musical

8.1.4 Joseph Hutchinson, 7<sup>th</sup> Grade Girls' Soccer Co-Coach – non-stipend position

8.1.5 MyKayla McCann, 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Field Hockey Coach

8.1.6 Randy Parenteau, 7<sup>th</sup> Grade Football Coach

8.1.7 Steve Roux, 7<sup>th</sup> Grade Girls' Soccer Co-Coach – non-stipend position

8.1.8 Annette Huri, TPS/LCS Educational Technician III

8.1.9 Kevin Fournier, Turner Elementary School Regular Ed. Ed. Tech III

8.1.10 Jackie Fontaine, District Wide 2-Hour LRTC Bus Driver

8.1.11 Terry Judd, District Wide 6-Hour Bus Driver

## 9. New Business:

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

9.1.1 Andrew Barnes, Tripp Middle School Foreign Language Teacher

9.1.2 Mallory Murphy, Turner Elementary School Grade 6 Teacher

- 9.7 A motion was made by Peter Ricker, seconded by Diana Morgan and voted unanimously by those present to approve the Nomination of Leavitt Area High School Athletic Director, Ryan Holmes.

A second motion was made by Peter Ricker, seconded by Diana Morgan and voted unanimously by those present to approve the salary at \$70,000.00 including stipend.

- 9.2 A motion was made by Peter Ricker, seconded by Robert Allen and voted unanimously by those present to approve the second reading and adoption of revised Policy KE: Public Concerns and Complaints.

- 9.3 A motion was made by Peter Ricker, seconded by Diana Morgan and voted unanimously by those present to approve the May Operating and Expenditure Reports.

- 9.4 A motion was made by Peter Ricker, seconded by Diana Morgan and voted unanimously by those present to approve the lease purchase proposal from Androscoggin Bank for five school buses.

- 9.5 A motion was made by Peter Ricker, seconded by Diana Morgan and voted unanimously by those present to approve the lease purchase proposal from Androscoggin Bank for technology equipment.

- 9.6 A motion was made by Peter Ricker, seconded by Diana Morgan and voted unanimously by those present to approve the transfer of funds between warrant articles for the 2012-2013 fiscal year to cover over expenditures. Deb Roberts, Business Manager, did a brief overview of reasons for the overages in certain lines. The Special Education was over expended primarily due to the Maine Care costs. Adult Educational costs were the reason for Warrant Article 13 to be over expended. Transportation went over due to adding a bus driver, two van drivers, changes in employee benefits, and needing to do some extensive repairs to some buses.

- 9.8 A motion was made by Peter Ricker, seconded by Diana Morgan and voted unanimously by those present to approve the consideration of a kindergarten position at Turner Primary School. This would make the class sizes in kindergarten more equitable across the District. We currently have no class size policy. The only existing policy has to do with transferring students into the District.

- 9.9 A motion was made by Peter Ricker, seconded by Richard Gross and voted unanimously by those present to approve the consideration for a bus driver position in

lieu of filing a van driver position. This will be a financial savings. Two and a half van runs will become one bus run.

10. Other Business:

10.1 The Board would like to have a future discussion about class sizes.

10.2 The Board would like adjustments to the agenda dated or coded so they will know which agenda is the most current.

10.3 The Board discussed Policy JJJ about eligibility further. They would like a full report from the subcommittee as there is interest in this policy by the majority of the Board members.

10.4 The Board would like a recommendation on ensuring that all policies are being reviewed on a regular basis.

11. A motion was made by Peter Ricker, seconded by Diana Morgan and voted unanimously by those present to adjourn the meeting at 8:10 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Henry Aliberti".

Henry Aliberti, Secretary