

REGIONAL SCHOOL UNIT 40

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Steve Nolan, Superintendent
Kimberly Schroeter, Director of Instruction

Karla Miller, Business Manager
Karen Brackett, Director of Special Services

Board of Directors Meeting Thursday, May 18, 2017 Medomak Middle School

Minutes

School Board Members: Erik Amundsen, Sara Andrews, Guy Bourrie, Jennifer Boynton, Seth Hall, Vicki Harriman, Natasha Irving, Danny Jackson, Lynda Letteney, Sandra O'Farrell, Dorothy Robinson, Errol Silvestri, Brooke Simmons, Bob Williams, Dennis Wooster

Student Representatives: Jacob Faria, Lydia Simmons (alternate), Patrick White

I. Opening

A. Call to Order at 7:00 p.m.

1. Pledge of Allegiance
2. Declaration of Quorum – 737 of 945
3. Note Absences
Excused: Dorothy Robinson, Errol Silvestri, Brooke Simmons, Bob Williams
Not excused: N/A
4. Adjustments to the Agenda

II. Presentations

III. Audience with the Public

- A. Bill Lufkin spoke on behalf of the Warren Community School fund

IV. Consent Agenda – Approve Minutes of May 4, 2017

Motion: Lynda Letteney Second: Seth Hall Vote: 737 – 0 – 0

V. Superintendent and/or Chair Reports

A. Superintendent's Report

B. Board Chair's Report – attached

C. Business Manager's Report

D. Student Representative(s) Report – attached

VI. Reports from Schools

- A. Christina Wotton spoke about the Union Elementary School's 21-day Positive Day Challenge

VII. Educational Issues

VIII. Action Items

- A. **Motion to approve all teacher nominations as one motion: Guy Bourrie**
Second: Seth Hall Vote: 737 – 0 – 0

1st Year to 2nd Year

Teacher Name	Position	Location
Spring, Ellen	Librarian	All Schools
Blackmon, Christopher	Guidance	FVS
Brann, Kellie	Kindergarten	Miller
Dean, Debra	Special Ed	Miller
Farrin, Nancy	3rd Grade	Miller
Jones, Lindsay	3rd Grade	Miller
LaFrance, Michelle	Special Ed	Miller
Watson, Amy	ELA/SS	MMS
Vail, Sherri	Nurse	MMS/MVHS
Hanley, Allison	Spanish	MVHS
Langford, Jesse	Accipter	MVHS
Rice, Gregory	Special Ed	MVHS
Westcott, Robin	Special Ed	MVHS
Crawford, Patricia	Interventionist/Coach	PMS
Gagne, Sarah	2nd Grade	UES
Pingree, Amanda	Interventionist/Coach	UES
Smith, Katherine	6th Grade	UES
Stotz, Kassandra	3rd Grade	UES
Wellman, Tara	PE	UES/PMS
Daigneau, Erin	Interventionist/Coach	WCS
Glynn, Rachel	2nd Grade	WCS
Monroe, Sally	Kindergarten	WCS
Woodruff, Jacquelyn	6th Grade	WCS
Zdrojowy, Beth	Music	WCS

2nd Year to 3rd Year

Teacher Name	Position	Location
Vaughn, Gussie	ELL	All schools
Lufkin, Anthony	Art	FVS/PMS/UES/MMS
Baldwin, Linda	Literacy Interventionist	Miller
Boden, Ashley	Music	Miller
Fogg, Nathan	Art	Miller
Kenyon, Erin	4th Grade	Miller
Reichard, Andrea	Special Ed	Miller
Christ, Penelope	Science	MMS
Fortin, Jackson	Health	MMS
Mewa, Laura	Guidance	MMS
Baker, Krisanne	Art	MVHS
Casselmann, Arla	Science	MVHS
Hilchey, Tyler	Special Ed	MVHS
Hutchings, Steven	Math	MVHS
Martin, Kali	Special Ed	MVHS
Wheelis, Larry	Math	MVHS
Boucher, Crystal	1st Grade	PMS
Leidenroth, Kasey	2nd Grade	PMS
Stone, Dawn	5th Grade	PMS
Luellen, Greta	Pre-K	UES
Ganz, Jill	Special Ed	WCS
Jacoby, Steven	4th Grade	WCS
Siegel, Rachel	5th Grade	WCS
Street, Sarah	Literacy Interventionist	WCS

3rd Year to Continuing

Teacher Name	Position	Location
Phillips, Diana	1st Grade	FVS
White, Jamie	Pre-K	Miller
Wordell Paul, Kara	Kindergarten	Miller
Bissonnette, Ashley	ELA/SS	MMS
Jones, Lowell	Alternative Ed	MMS
Richardson, Kevin	Science	MVHS
Young, Leanne	Guidance	MVHS
Kopishke, Barbara	3rd Grade	PMS
Baroody, Jennifer	3 rd Grade	WCS
Priestley, Crystal	Art	WCS
Sturgis, Lisa	1st Grade	WCS

- B. Motion to approve an overnight field trip for Medomak Middle School students to go to the University of Maine Orono, Husson University, and Eastern Maine Community College**

Motion: Seth Hall Second: Sandra O'Farrell Vote: 737 - 0 - 0

- C. Approve \$2,500 donation from The First toward the purchase of a swing for Medomak Middle School and Medomak Valley High School Campus**

Motion: Lynda Letteney Second: Seth Hall Vote: 737 - 0 - 0

- D. Approve \$3,600 donation from Warren Common School Fund to purchase projection equipment for classrooms**

Motion: Sandra O'Farrell Second: Lynda Letteney Vote: 737 - 0 - 0

- E. Approve District Technology plan**

Motion: Guy Bourrie Second: Sandra O'Farrell Vote: 737 - 0 - 0

- F. Approve policies for 1st reading**

- i. DJ - Bidding/Purchasing
- ii. DJH - Procurement Staff Code of Conduct
- iii. EFD - School Meal Payment and Collection Policy
- iv. GCGB - Employment and Usage of Substitute Teachers
- v. IHBAC - Child Find Identification

vi. IJOC – School Volunteers

Motion: Guy Bourrie Second: Lynda Letteney Vote: 737 – 0 – 0

G. Approve policies for 2nd reading

- i. GCPC – Recognition Policy
- ii. GCQC – Resignation of School Employees

Motion: Guy Bourrie Second: Sandra O’Farrell Vote: 737 – 0 – 0

H. Approve policies for deletion

- i. ICB – Extended School Year Services
- ii. IHAM – Health Education
- iii. IHBAAR – Referral and Use of General Education Interventions – Administrative Procedure

Motion: Guy Bourrie Second: Sandra O’Farrell Vote: 737 – 0 – 0

IX. Committee Reports

- A. Curriculum Committee – May 18th @ 5:30 p.m. – Medomak Middle School**
- B. Policy Committee – June 1st @ 5:30 p.m. – MMS**
- C. Facilities-Transportation Committee – June 8th @ 5:00 p.m. – Central Office**
- D. Finance Committee June 8th @ 6:00 p.m. – Central Office**

X. Board Meetings – June 1st @ 7:00 p.m. – Medomak Middle School

XI. Region 8 Board – May 24th @ 7:00 p.m. – MCST

XII. Adjourned at 8:09 p.m.

All meetings of the Board, except executive sessions, will be open to the public. All actions of the Board will be taken openly and the deliberations leading to Board action will likewise be conducted openly. The public and district employees are encouraged to attend Board meetings. A time of up to thirty minutes in duration for comments by visitors at Board meetings will be scheduled at the beginning of the Board’s agenda. Board committee meetings are open to the public. Public input is welcomed but the Board Chair may need to limit discussion.

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Board Chair Report 05/18/17

- 1) On 05/01/17, I attended part of the Learning Expo at Prescott Memorial School to meet the different projects. I appreciate the teachers explaining the different projects the students were working on. I also appreciate Mrs. Stover showing me the Panda that now greets you as you walk through the front door of Prescott Memorial School.**
- 2) On 05/06/17, I had the pleasure of watching the Science Olympiad Team practicing for the National Championship. I want to thank Madelon Kelly for taking me around MMS.**
- 3) On 5/09/17, I was able to watch part of MVHS Varsity baseball game before heading to the Academic Achievement Awards/Top 8. I wish I could have stayed for the game as the Panthers won in extra innings.**
- 4) On 05/09/17, I attended the Academic Achievement Awards/Top 8 at MVHS. It was great seeing the students' being recognized for their hard work. I want to thank Lynda Letteney for attending. I also want to thank the administration and staff for coordinating the evening.**
- 5) On 05/15/17, I watched the Varsity Baseball team take on Spruce Mountain. The Panthers won 4-2.**
- 6) On 05/17/17, I was able to watch some of the MMS track meet. It was a packed field with ten Busline League Schools participating in the meet.**
- 7) On 05/17/17, I attended the Lions Club Awards dinner to honor the top male and female student in each class. I want to thank the Lions Club for the dinner and for recognizing these well-deserved students.**
- 8) Report out that the July 20th Board Meeting will be a workshop. Mary Jane McCalmon will be leading the workshop.**
- 9) We received some great news today. The Commissioner of Education approved the waiver request for Warren Community School. This waiver was for the missed day on 05/10/17 at Warren Community School due to the electrical problem. See attached letter.**
- 10) Report out on Cheryl Cichowski's resignation. See attached letter.**



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COMMISSIONER

May 15, 2017

Danny Jackson
School Board Chair, RSU 40
1070 Heald Highway, PO Box 701
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Dear Mr. Jackson:

I am in receipt of your letter to me of May 10, 2017 requesting a waiver of the instructional day requirements for RSU 40 for Warren Community School only due to an electrical problem on May 10, 2017 forcing school closure of this school.

Having reviewed the reasons for the request, I have agreed to approve a waiver of one instructional day for RSU 40's Warren Community School only. An important factor in granting this waiver is the extent to which Superintendent Nolan and the school board have gone to plan for and reschedule cancelled days. I would encourage the board to continue to keep the number of potential weather-related cancellations in mind when they develop the 2017-18 and subsequent school year calendars.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Robert G. Hasson, Jr.', written in a cursive style.

Robert G. Hasson, Jr., Ed.D.
Commissioner

Cheryl Cichowski
237 Fitch Road
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RSU 40 Board of Directors
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May 5, 2017

Dear Mr. Chairman, Board Members, and RSU #40 staff,

Regrettably, I am writing to inform you of my decision to resign my position on the RSU #40 board effective immediately. Work demands on my time have divided my attention and I feel the position would be better served by someone who can commit without hindrance.

It has been an honor to serve with you over the past two years. I have gained a deeper appreciation for all you do as liaisons between community and school and for making the difficult decisions that direct our district to function effectively and efficiently. Please accept my best wishes for continued success in providing a positive learning environment and opportunities for our future leaders.

Sincerely,

Cheryl Cichowski

Student Rep Report

5/18/17

Jake Faria, Lydia Simmons, Patrick White

Sports:

Softball only has one loss on the year and looks forward to a strong playoff performance, while baseball is showing steady improvement and plays the top team in the league Friday. Track and field had a meet today, and the tennis teams continue playing quality tennis.

Dessert Theater:

The MVHS Players Present:



May 23, 26 & 27th at 7:00PM
Ronald L. Doleff Auditorium
Medford Valley High School
Waldoboro, ME

Adults \$8.00
Students and Seniors \$5.00



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Concert:

The high school chorus put on a fantastic show last week, and the concert/jazz bands will put on their final concert of the year next Wednesday.

Close of another year:

Senior finals begin next week, and graduation quickly approaches for the class of 2017.