

December 15, 2014  
South Paris, Maine

A regular meeting of the M.S.A.D. #17 Board of Directors was held on Monday evening, December 15, 2014, at Central Office, 232 Main Street, South Paris, Maine, with the following members in attendance: Jared Cash, Sharon Chammings, Curtis Cole, Stephen Cummings, Nick DiConzo, Mike Dignan, David Dunn, Donald Gouin, Judy Green, Ronald Kugell, Ann Macro, Tom Moore, Barry Patrie, Olive Sanborn, Elizabeth Swift, Joe Vaillancourt, Don Ware, Toby Whitman and Lewis Williams. Board members absent were George Coffren, Al Lisowski (exc.) and Henry Raymond (exc.). Also present were Nelson Baillargeon, Clyde Clark, Cathy Coffey, Troy Eastman, Jane Fahey, Dan Hart, Patrick Hartnett, Bill Lovell, Heather Manchester, Jane Morse, Paul Gioia from Lake Region TV, Leslie Dixon from the Sun Journal and Superintendent of Schools Richard Colpitts.

1. **CALL TO ORDER:** Chairman Kugell called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.
2. **FLAG SALUTE:** Chairman Kugell led the flag salute.
3. **WELCOME TO VISITORS:** Chairman Kugell welcomed visitors, staff and members of the press.
4. **QUESTIONS/COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC:** None
5. **REPORTS:**

**Operations/Finance Committees:** Mr. Williams reported that Operations would have a recommendation on Item E. and Mr. Vaillancourt reported that the Finance Committee would have recommendations on Items D and E.

**Negotiations Committee:** Mr. Patrie reported on the Committee.

**Personnel Committee:** Ms. Macro reported that the Committee met before tonight's Board meeting and will have a recommendation on Item H.

**Curriculum Committee:** Ms. Macro reported that the Committee met last week.

6. **SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT:**

Ms. Karnes, Ms. Fahey, Mr. Clark, Mr. Hart, Mr. Eastman, Ms. Manchester and Ms. Coffey all gave administrative updates.

Superintendent Colpitts noted that Athletic Director Jeff Benson was one of ten athletic directors across the nation to be awarded the Distinguished Service Award by the National Interscholastic Athletic Association. He was recognized at a ceremony in Maryland.

The January 5, 2014 Board meeting has been canceled.

Members were invited to view aspirational posters of high school students achieving their goals which are currently on display at the elementary schools.

7. **ADJUSTMENTS TO THE AGENDA:** None

8. **CONSENT AGENDA:**

Mr. Moore made the motion, seconded by Mr. Patrie and voted unanimously in favor to approve the following Oxford Hills Comprehensive High School coaching nomination for the Winter 2014-2015 season:

Unified Basketball

Jennifer Dionne

9. **ACTION ON MINUTES:**

- A. Mr. Moore made the motion, seconded by Mr. Cole and voted 14 in favor, 0 opposed and 4 abstentions to approve the November 17, 2014 regular Board meeting minutes.

NOTE: Diana Gordon was listed as retiring from her position as Ed Tech II at Guy E. Rowe Elementary School in error. Diana has been an Ed Tech II at Oxford Elementary School.

10. **UNFINISHED BUSINESS:** None

11. **NEW BUSINESS:**

- A. Superintendent Richard Colpitts and District Business Manager Cathy Coffey presented on the FY 16 preliminary budget.
- B. Mr. Moore made the motion, seconded by Mr. Dunn and voted unanimously in favor to approve the first reading of the District's Strategic Plan.
- C. Mr. Moore made the motion, seconded by Dr. Ware and voted unanimously in favor to approve the second and final reading of the following policies:

ADC – Tobacco Use and Possession  
IMDA – Patriotic Exercises  
IMDB – Flag Displays

- D. Mr. Moore made the motion, seconded by Mr. Cole and voted unanimously in favor to approve allocating \$25,471 (Twenty Five Thousand Four Hundred Seventy One Dollars) from Contingency to pay Second Quarter bills from three charter schools.

- E. Mr. Moore made the motion, seconded by Mr. Vaillancourt and voted unanimously in favor to approve the motion entitled "Vote to Authorize Lease Purchase and Installation of Three Condensing Propane Boilers for Hebron Station School" be adopted in the form presented to this meeting and that a copy of said Vote be filed with minutes of this meeting.**

**VOTE TO AUTHORIZE LEASE PURCHASE OF Three Condensing Propane Boilers for Hebron Station School IN THE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF UP TO \$95,000**

**Be it hereby voted as follows:**

**That under and pursuant to the provisions of Title 20-A M.R.S. sections 1001, a n d 1055, the Superintendent of Schools (the "Superintendent") is authorized to execute and deliver a Boiler Project Lease Purchase with Androscoggin Bank at 3.54% interest in the name and on behalf of Maine School Administrative District No. 17 (the "District") for Three Condensing Propane Boilers for Hebron Station School with an aggregate purchase price of up to ninety-five thousand dollars (\$95,000), in such form and on such terms not inconsistent herewith as the Superintendent may approve (the "Lease");**

**That no part of the proceeds of the Lease shall be used, directly or indirectly, to acquire any securities and obligations, the acquisition of which would cause the Lease to be a "private activity bond" or an "arbitrage bond" within the meaning of Sections 141 and 148, respectively, of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "Code");**

**That the Lease issued pursuant hereto is designated as a qualified tax-exempt obligation within the meaning of Section 265(b)(3) of said Code;**

**That the Superintendent is authorized to covenant on behalf of the District to file any information report and pay any rebate due to the United States in connection with the issuance of the Lease, and to take all other lawful actions necessary to insure the interest portion of the rental payments under and pursuant to the Lease will be excluded from the gross income of the owners thereof for purposes of federal income taxation and to refrain from taking any action which would cause such interest portion of the rental payments to become includable in the gross income of the owners thereof;**

**That the appropriate officials of the District are authorized to execute and deliver such other documents and certificates as may be required in connection with the Lease; and That an attested copy of this Vote be filed with the minutes of this meeting.**

That no part of the proceeds of the Lease shall be used, directly or indirectly, to acquire any securities and obligations, the acquisition of which would cause the Lease to be a "private activity bond" or an "arbitrage bond" within the meaning of Sections 141 and 148, respectively, of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "Code").

- F. Mr. Moore made the motion, seconded by Mr. Cole and voted unanimously in favor to enter Executive Session at 8:02 p.m. in accordance with 1 M.R.S.A. §405 (6)(D), to discuss negotiations with the Oxford Hills Education Association.
- G. Ms. Macro made the motion, seconded by Mr. Patrie and voted unanimously in favor to enter executive session at 8:41 p.m. to conduct an evaluation of the Superintendent pursuant to 1 M.R.S.A. §405 (6)(A). The Board re-entered open session at 8:54 p.m.
- H. Mr. Patrie made the motion, seconded by Mr. Gouin and voted unanimously to extend the Superintendent's contract through June 30, 2018.

12. QUESTIONS/COMMENTS FROM THE BOARD:

13. ADJOURNMENT:

Mr. Moore made the motion, seconded by Dr. Ware, and voted unanimously to adjourn at 9:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Richard Colpitts  
Superintendent of School