

November 17, 2014
South Paris, Maine

A regular meeting of the M.S.A.D. #17 Board of Directors was held on Monday evening, November 17, 2014, at Central Office, 232 Main Street, South Paris, Maine, with the following members in attendance: Jared Cash, Sharon Chammings, Buddy Coffren, Stephen Cummings, Nick DiConzo, Mike Dignan, Donald Gouin, Ronald Kugell, Al Lisowski, Ann Macro, Tom Moore, Barry Patrie, Henry Raymond, Olive Sanborn, Joe Vaillancourt, Don Ware, and Toby Whitman. Board members absent were Curtis Cole, David Dunn (exc.), Judy Green (exc.), Elizabeth Swift (exc.) and Lewis Williams. Also present were Donna Dodge, Troy Eastman, Melanie Ellsworth, Margaret Emery, Jane Fahey, Dan Hart, Patrick Hartnett, Heather Manchester, Ted Moccia, Jane Morse, Marge Ripley, Jeff Jones 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:**

Donna Dodge from Denmark spoke on “Mainers Against Common Core” and invited Board members to a Common Core forum on December 6, 2014 at Shawnee Peak.

5. **REPORTS:**

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

Policy Committee: Mr. Dignan reported on the committee.

Negotiations Committee: Mr. Patrie reported on the committee.

6. **SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT:**

Ms. Fahey, Ms. Emery, Ms. Ellsworth, Mr. Hart, Mr. Moccia, and Mr. Eastman all gave administrative updates.

Mr. Colpitts reported that concerns with the BioFuel, Inc. Contract are ongoing. We have received one chip delivery from Oxford Timber Sawmill and a second is on the way.

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

8. CONSENT AGENDA:

Mr. Moore made the motion, seconded by Mr. Coffren and voted unanimously in favor to approve the following nominations:

A. Oxford Hills Comprehensive High School Coaching nominations for the 2014 – 2015 year:

Nordic Skiing Eric Cobb

B. English Language Arts Subject Area Committee:

Brewster Burns .5 FTE
Donna Marcotte-Bell .5 FTE

9. ACTION ON MINUTES:

A. Mr. Moore made the motion, seconded by Mr. Patrie and voted 11 in favor, 0 opposed and 5 abstentions to approve the November 3, 2014 regular Board meeting minutes.

10. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

11. NEW BUSINESS:

- A. Mr. Moore made the motion, seconded by Mr. Coffren and voted unanimously in favor to approve the Superintendent's nomination of Opal Gardiner as Food Service Manager II at Harrison Elementary School.
- B. Mr. Moore made the motion, seconded by Mr. Coffren and voted unanimously in favor to approve the Superintendent's nomination of Lori Adkins as 3 Hour Food Service Assistant at Oxford Hills Middle School North Campus.
- C. Mr. Moore made the motion, seconded by Mr. Coffren and voted unanimously in favor to approve the Superintendent's nomination of Darcy Sawyer as 4 hours per day, 38 week, 2nd Shift Custodian at Oxford Elementary School.
- D. Mr. Moore made the motion, seconded by Mr. DiConzo and voted 15 in favor, 0 opposes and 1 abstention to appoint nominees George Coffren and John Bell to the Maine Vocational Region 11 Board of Directors.
- E. Mr. Moore made the motion, seconded by Mr. Coffren and voted unanimously in favor to approve the Superintendent's nomination of Claire Powell as 2.5 hours per day Food Service Assistant at Harrison Elementary School.
- F. Mr. Moore made the motion, seconded by Mr. Dignan and vote unanimously in favor to approve the Superintendent's nomination of Melissa deSilver as a Psychologist – Specialist level.

G. Mr. Moore made the motion, seconded by Mr. Coffren and vote unanimously in favor to approve the Superintendent's nomination of Patricia Williamson as Educational Technician II in the Applied Academic Program at Oxford Hills Comprehensive High School.

H. Mr. Moore made the motion, seconded by Dr. Ware and voted unanimously in favor to approve the following School-Wide Plans:

Hebron Station School

Oxford Elementary School

Otisfield Community School

Paris Elementary School

Agnes Gray Elementary School

Guy E. Rowe Elementary School

Waterford Memorial School

Harrison Elementary School

I. Superintendent Colpitts presented on the Strategic Plan's section on Measuring and Reporting Effectiveness and Progress. There will be a follow up presentation in June.

12. QUESTIONS/COMMENTS FROM THE BOARD:

Mr. Coffren questioned the continued absence of the High School music schedule on the District calendar.

Mr. Cash commented that he appreciated Mr. Colpitts passing out the article on Charter Schools and the information it provided.

Mr. Vaillancourt stated that he had items for discussion when the Board met for negotiations. He also commented that he had read an article about Product Oriented Learning versus Project Based Learning.

Mr. Vaillancourt commented that he felt the amount of members in the Vocational Board Selection Committee which consisted of 3 was not consistent with the number of members in other committees which have 4 or 5 members.

13. ADJOURNMENT:

Mr. Moore made the motion, seconded by Mr. Patrie, and voted unanimously to adjourn at 8:36 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

**Richard Colpitts
Superintendent of School**