

December 19, 2016
South Paris, Maine

A regular meeting of the M.S.A.D. #17 Board of Directors was held on Monday evening, December 19, 2016 at Central Office, 232 Main Street, South Paris, Maine, with the following members in attendance: Natalie Andrews, Jared Cash, Robert Celeste, Stacia Cordwell, Stephen Cummings, Celia Dieterich, Judy Green, Bob Jewell, Ronald Kugell, Al Lisowski, Michael Marshall, David McVety, Diana Olsen, Barry Patrie, Gary Smith, Elizabeth Swift and Lewis Williams. Board members absent were Buddy Coffren (exc.), Lauren Day, David Dunn, Henry Raymond (exc.) and Don Ware (exc.). Also present were Student Representative Rosemary Eichorn, Melanie Ellsworth, Margaret Emery, Dan Hart, Patrick Hartnett, Heather Manchester, Jane Morse, Mary Lou Peterson, 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 staff and visitors.
4. **QUESTIONS/COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC:**
5. **REPORTS:**

Student Representative: Ms. Rosemary Eichorn reported on school activities.

Finance Committee: Mr. Patrie reported that the Committee met before tonight's Board meeting and will have recommendations on items 11. C. and E.

Personnel Committee: Superintendent Colpitts reported that there will be a meeting on January 9, 2017* at 5:00 pm to discuss the Superintendent's evaluation.

*NOTE: This date was later rescheduled in a memo to the Board dated 12/22/16.

6. **SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT:**

There was a problem with the heat at Central Office over the weekend and Maintenance has been working all day to fix this.

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

8. CONSENT AGENDA:

- A. Mr. Marshall made the motion, seconded by Ms. Andrews and voted unanimously in favor to approve the following stipend position:

Middle School Chorus Accompanist

Faye Hill

9. ACTION ON MINUTES:

- A. Mr. Jewell made the motion, seconded by Ms. Andrews and voted 11 in favor, 0 opposed and 5 abstentions to approve the December 5, 2016 regular Board meeting minutes.

10. UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None

11. NEW BUSINESS:

- A. District Technology Director Mike Dunn presented on the next generation of One to One Laptops.
- B. Ms. Andrews made the motion, seconded by Ms. Olsen and voted unanimously in favor to accept a grant in the amount of \$10,000 from the Max William Beck Memorial Fund for Otisfield of Maine Community Foundation for the Otisfield Community School Book Closet Fund.
- C. Mr. Jewell made the motion, seconded by Mr. Williams and voted unanimously in favor to award the paper bid to CBG for \$21.25 per case.
- D. Mr. Patrie made the motion, seconded by Mr. Jewell and voted unanimously in favor to approve the Superintendent's nomination of Dana Dudley as Grade 6 Math/Science Teacher at Guy E. Rowe Elementary School.
- E. Mr. McVety made the motion, seconded by Ms. Andrews and voted unanimously in favor to approve the resolution entitled, "Resolution to Authorize Lease Purchase of Two School Buses in the Principal Amount of \$145,969," be adopted in form presented to this meeting.

The School Board of Maine School Administrative District No. 17 hereby resolves as follows:

That Superintendent of Schools (the "Superintendent") is authorized to accept the proposal of Gorham (the "Lessor"), to provide tax-exempt lease purchase financing for two school buses with video recording and communication equipment (the "Equipment") with an aggregate purchase price of \$145,969.00 at an interest rate of 2.6% for a term of approximately

two (2) years (3 annual payments), and any prior acceptance by the Superintendent is hereby ratified and confirmed;

That under and pursuant to the provisions of Title 20-A M.R.S. sections 1001, 1055, and 5401(15), the Superintendent is authorized to execute and deliver a lease purchase agreement with Lessor, or its nominee, in the name and on behalf of Maine School Administrative District No. 17 (the “District”) for the Equipment, in the principal amount of \$145,969.00, 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 Superintendent is authorized to designate the Lease 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 ensure the interest portion of the rental payments under and pursuant to the Lease will be excludable 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;

That the District hereby resolves and declares its official intent pursuant to Section 1.150-2(e) of the Treasury Regulations that the District reasonably expects to use the proceeds of the Lease to reimburse certain original expenditures from the RSU’s general or other fund, paid not earlier than 60 days prior to adoption of this Resolution or to be paid, which original expenditures have been or will be incurred in connection with costs of the Equipment; and that the District reasonably expects that the maximum principal amount that the District will issue to finance the Equipment is \$145,969.00.

F. Mr. Marshall made the motion, seconded by Mr. Patrie and voted 15 in favor, 1 opposed and 0 abstentions to approve designating Oxford Elementary School and Guy E. Rowe Elementary School as Community School under 20-A §9921.

12. QUESTIONS/COMMENTS FROM THE BOARD:

Ms. Olsen questioned what “AUA Contract Violation” meant on the November Discipline Summary from Oxford Hills Comprehensive High School.

Dr. Hartnett explained it is a violation of the Acceptable User Agreement for laptops. An agreement that each student signs when they receive their laptop.

Mr. Patrie commended Superintendent Colpitts for delaying school for 2 hours on December 16, 2016 due to the extreme cold weather.

13. ADJOURNMENT:

The Board Chair adjourned the meeting at 7:55 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

**Richard Colpitts
Superintendent of School**