

January 19, 2016
South Paris, Maine

A regular meeting of the M.S.A.D. #17 Board of Directors was held on Tuesday evening, January 19, 2016 at Central Office, 232 Main Street, South Paris, Maine, with the following members in attendance: Jared Cash, Buddy Coffren, Curtis Cole, Stacia Cordwell, Stephen Cummings, Judy Green, Bob Jewell, Ronald Kugell, Ann Macro, Tom Moore, Henry Raymond, Elizabeth Swift, Joe Vaillancourt, Don Ware, Toby Whitman and Lewis Williams. Board members absent were Natalie Andrews, David Dunn (exc.), Al Lisowski (exc.), Barry Patrie (exc.) and Olive Sanborn. Also present were Cathy Coffey, Melanie Ellsworth, Margaret Emery, Student Representative Rosemary Eichorn, Senator James Hamper, Dan Hart, Patrick Hartnett, Representative Lloyd Herrick, Heather Manchester, Jane Morse, Representative Tom Winsor, Leslie Dixon from the Sun Journal and Superintendent of Schools Richard Colpitts.

Superintendent Colpitts swore in re-elected Board member Bob Jewell (Paris).

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. A moment of silence was requested by Chairman Kugell in recognition of the death of Director Don Gouin. Mr. Gouin served on the District's Board of Directors for 32 years.
3. **WELCOME TO VISITORS:** Chairman Kugell welcomed staff and visitors. There was a reception for Superintendent Colpitts to recognize him as Superintendent of the year. He was presented with a plaque by Senator James Hamper, Representative Lloyd Herrick and Representative Tom Windsor.
4. **QUESTIONS/COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC:** None

5. **REPORTS:**

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

Curriculum Committee: A report was given on the Committee.

6. **SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT:**

Superintendent Colpitts thanked all for the reception honoring him.

Board Director Don Gouin's memorial service will be held on Sunday, January 24, 2016 in the gymnasium at Oxford Hills Comprehensive High School.

There was a bus fire on Friday January 22, 2016. The District's insurance company is looking into the cause of the fire and the Board will be kept informed of any developments.

Superintendent Colpitts presented before the State Board of Education on Friday, January 22, 2016 at the invitation of Peter Geiger, Board Chair.

Superintendent Colpitts presented Governor Paul LePage with a cribbage board made by Oxford Hills Middle School students working with Maine Machine Products.

Superintendent Colpitts will be attending the AASA National Conference on Education in Phoenix AZ., February 11-13, 2016 and will head to Washington D.C., November 11-14, 2016 to meet with legislators.

7. ADJUSTMENTS TO THE AGENDA: None

8. CONSENT AGENDA: None

9. ACTION ON MINUTES:

- A. Mr. Moore made the motion, seconded by Mr. Cole and voted 12 in favor, 0 opposed and 3 abstentions to approve the January 4, 2016 regular Board meeting minutes.

10. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

- A. Mr. Vaillancourt made the motion, seconded by Dr. Ware and voted unanimously in favor to approve the first reading of the following policy:

KLGA School Resource Officer

11. NEW BUSINESS:

- A. Mr. Moore made the motion, seconded by Mr. Williams and voted unanimously in favor to approve a leave of absence for Robin Foster, Secretary at Guy E. Rowe Elementary School, from January 4, 2016 to March 4, 2016.
- B. Mr. Moore made the motion, seconded by Mr. Cole and voted unanimously to enter into executive session at 7:29 p.m. to conduct an evaluation of the Superintendent pursuant to M.R.S.A. § 405 (6) (A).
The Board re-entered open session at 7:45 p.m.
- C. Mr. Moore made the motion, seconded by Mr. Williams and voted unanimously to extend the Superintendent's contract for one year through June 30, 2019.
- D. Mr. Moore made the motion, seconded by Ms. Swift and voted unanimously in favor to enter executive session at 7:47 p.m., pursuant to 1 M.R.S.A. §405(6)(D) to discuss negotiations with the Oxford Hills Education Association.
The Board left executive session at 8:30.

12. QUESTIONS/COMMENTS FROM THE BOARD:

13. ADJOURNMENT:

The Board voted unanimously to adjourn at 8:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Richard Colpitts
Superintendent of School