

October 16, 2017  
South Paris, Maine

A regular meeting of the M.S.A.D. #17 Board of Directors was held on Monday evening, October 16, 2017 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, Michael Dignan, Judy Green, Bob Jewell, Ronald Kugell, Al Lisowski, Michael Marshall, David McVety, Diana Olsen, Barry Patrie, Henry Raymond, Gary Smith, Don Ware and Lewis Williams. Board members absent were George Coffren (exc.), David Dunn (exc.), Elizabeth Swift (exc.) and Toby Whitman. Also present were Paul Bickford, Tina Christophersen, Cathy Coffey, Melanie Ellsworth, Margaret Emery, Dan Hart, Patrick Hartnett, Heather Manchester, Ted Moccia, Jane Morse, Mary Lou Peterson, Student Representative Catrina Wilson, 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:** None.
5. **REPORTS:**

**Student Representative:** Ms. Catrina Wilson reported that PSATs were held on Wednesday, October 11<sup>th</sup>, Senior games have either been played or will be shortly. Also the Aspire Higher March will be held on Wednesday, October 18th.

**Curriculum Committee:** Ms. Green reported that the Committee met before tonight's Board meeting and they are working on "B" policies.

6. **SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT:**

Mr. Bickford, Ms. Christophersen, Mr. Moccia and Ms. Emery gave administrative updates.

The Aspire Higher March will be this Wednesday, Board members are encouraged to attend. Aspire Higher is a month long activity which ends with children receiving scholarships. During the month, students engage in higher education related activities and win tickets that are placed in a drawing for scholarships.

A letter from the Hebron Historical Society was handed out to the board concerning moving the old Hebron Station building.

Superintendent Colpitts will attend a meeting tomorrow with University of Maine President Dr. Susan Hunter to discuss the District's continued relations with the 4-H Center, Literacy Partnership and future opportunities.

The MSBA Annual Fall Conference will be held on Thursday and Friday, October 26-27. Let Debra know if you would like to attend. The MSSC conference will be held on Wednesday, October 25, Superintendent Colpitts will be attending.

There will be a joint board meeting of MSAD #17, MVR #11 and RSU #10 next Wednesday at the high school at 5:15.

There is a meeting of the EPS Special Education Study Committee in Augusta this Thursday from 9-12. Superintendent Colpitts plans to attend.

7. **ADJUSTMENTS TO THE AGENDA:** Mr. Jewell made the motion, seconded by Ms. Andrews and voted unanimously in favor to correct item 11.C of the regular Board agenda to read Waterford Memorial School instead of Otisfield Community School.

8. **CONSENT AGENDA:**

Mr. Patrie made the motion, seconded by Ms. Olsen and voted unanimously in favor, to approve the following:

A. A donation in the amount of \$1,000 from Helping Hands Food Bank to support a food pantry organized by Oxford Hills Middle School Student Council and advisors.

B. The following stipend nominations for the FY 2017- 2018:

Elementary Band	Rachel Potter
Elementary Orchestra	Robert Tifft
Middle School Band	Rachel Potter
Middle School Orchestra	Robert Tifft
Middle School Chorus	Dennis Boyd
Middle School Accompanist	Faye Hill
High School Accompanist	Danielle Tran

C. The following stipend positions for the FY 2017-2018:

**Math Subject Area Committee:**

Torrey Poland	OHCHS
Nate Pelletier	OHCHS
Jessica McGreevy	OHMS
Kim Eastman	OHMS

**English Language Arts Subject Area Committee:**

Brewster Burns	OHCHS
Donna Marcotte-Bell	OHCHS
Barbara Danis	OHCHS
Jamie Toohey	OHMS
Kristie Holbrook	OHMS

**Science Subject Area Committee:**

Michael Morrell	OHCHS
Sasha Rancourt-Thomas	OHCHS
Charlotte Palmer	OHMS
Cameron Sutton	OHMS

**Social Studies Subject Area Committee:**

Kenny Poulin	OHCHS
Amy White	OHCHS
Joe Cummings	OHMS
Michele Wood	OHMS

**9. ACTION ON MINUTES:**

- A. Mr. Marshall made the motion, seconded by Dr. Ware and voted 14 in favor, 0 opposed and 3 abstention to approve the October 2, 2017 regular Board meeting minutes.

**10. UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None**

**11. NEW BUSINESS:**

- A. Ms. Olsen made the motion, seconded by Mr. Cummings and voted unanimously in favor to approve the Superintendent's nomination of Anne-Marie Stephens as Educational Technician III at Western Maine Regional Program for Children with Exceptionalities.
- B. Mr. Marshall made the motion, seconded by Mr. Patrie and voted unanimously in favor to approve the Superintendent's nomination of Megan Roy as Pre-Kindergarten Teacher at Guy E. Rowe Elementary School.
- C. Mr. McVety made the motion, seconded by Dr. Ware, and voted unanimously in favor to approve the Superintendent's nomination of Ryan Adams as second shift, 25hr/38 week Custodian at Waterford Memorial School.
- D. Mr. Raymond made the motion, seconded by Ms. Olsen and voted unanimously in favor to approve Grade 5 Harrison Elementary School students' annual overnight field trip to the Bryant Pond 4-H Camp from November 6-9, 2017.
- E. Superintendent Colpitts presented on potential impacts of changes to State funding in the FY 2019 budget and engaged the Board in a conversation about budget priorities.

**12. QUESTIONS/COMMENTS FROM THE BOARD:**

Mr. Marshall asked if funds to go towards the Tennis Club could be budgeted into the next budget year.  
Superintendent Colpitts felt it would be unlikely as any funds would have to be applied through negotiations.

**Ms. Andrews would like for the Bullying Program to have a presentation to the Board.**

**Superintendent Colpitts will arrange to have a presentation by the program.**

**13. ADJOURNMENT:**

**The Board Chair adjourned the meeting at 8:52 p.m.**

**Respectfully submitted,**

**Richard Colpitts  
Superintendent of School**