

January 8, 2018
South Paris, Maine

A regular meeting of the M.S.A.D. #17 Board of Directors was held on Monday evening, January 8, 2018 at Central Office, 232 Main Street, South Paris, Maine, with the following members in attendance: Natalie Andrews, Jared Cash, Robert Celeste, Stacia Cordwell, David Dunn, Bob Jewell, Diana Olsen, Barry Patrie, Henry Raymond, Kristin Roy, Gary Smith, Elizabeth Swift, Donald Ware, Toby Whitman and Lewis Williams. Board members absent were Stephen Cummings, Michael Dignan (exc.), Judy Green (exc.), Ronald Kugell (exc.), Al Lisowski and Michael Marshall. Also present were Paul Bickford, Tina Christophersen, Dean Dillingham, Melanie Ellsworth, Dan Hart, Patrick Hartnett, Heather Manchester, Ted Moccia, Jane Morse, Mary Lou Peterson, DJ Thorne, Student Representative Catrina Wilson, Anthony Lima from NPCTV, Leslie Dixon from the Sun Journal and Superintendent of Schools Richard Colpitts.

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

Student Representative: Ms. Catrina Wilson reported that January 12 will mark the end of the 2nd Quarter. The Ski Team had its first meet today. Both Boys and Girls Basketball are doing very well.

Finance Committee: Mr. Patrie reported that the Committee met before tonight's Board meeting and will have a recommendation on item 11.B.

Personnel Committee: Mr. Patrie reported that the Committee met before tonight's Board meeting and will have a recommendation on item 11.F.

6. **SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT:**

Thank you to Dean Dillingham for following through on all the building checks during the recent cold weather.

Thank you Board Director Lew Williams for his expertise in the recent water pipe break at Central Office.

Tuesday, January 16 the Tech Challenge is being held at the High School from 3:00 until 6:00 p.m.

Negotiations with our Head Custodians will begin on Tuesday, January 16.

The annual Winter Convocation for Superintendents will be on January 18th – 19th.

I will be speaking at “Digital Evolution: Broadband Connectivity as an Economic and Community Development Drive in Oxford County” on January 10th from 8:00 – 1:00 a.m. in Bryant Pond.

George (Buddy) Coffren has resigned his position as Board Director for the town of Paris.

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

8. **CONSENT AGENDA:** Ms. Andrews made the motion, seconded by Ms. Cordwell and voted unanimously in favor, to approve the following:

A. To approve the following coaching stipends for the Winter 2017-18 season:

Oxford Hills Comprehensive High School:

Assistant Coach Nordic Skiing
Faculty Manager

Alyssa Andrews
Diane Slicer

B. To approve the following volunteer coaching positions for the 2017-18:

OHCHS Wrestling
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Chris Cobbett
Jeff Worster

C. To accept a \$3000 donation from Rob Pierson of Grover Gundrilling to purchase equipment for the LCD projectors to be mounted to six classroom ceilings at Agnes Gray Elementary School.

D. To accept an anonymous donation in the amount of \$500 and a company match of \$1,000 from Symantec to support enrichment programs as directed by Hebron Station School teachers.

E. To accept an anonymous donation of \$350.00 for current student Food Service debt at Oxford Hills Middle School.

F. To approve the following department Leader for Oxford Hills Middle School:

Charlotte Palmer

0.4 FTE Science Department

9. **ACTION ON MINUTES:**

A. Mr. Patrie made the motion, seconded by Ms. Olsen and voted 13 in favor, 0 opposed and 1 abstention to approve the December 4, 2017 regular Board meeting minutes.

B. Mr. Smith made the motion, seconded by Mr. Raymond and voted 12 in favor, 0 opposed and 2 abstentions to approve the December 18, 2017 regular Board meeting minutes.

10. UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None

11. NEW BUSINESS:

- A. Superintendent Colpitts presented on Grade 3-6 interventions.**
- B. Mr. Dunn made the motion, seconded by Ms. Cordwell and voted 13 in favor, 1 opposed and 0 abstentions to approve the lease purchase financing of various musical instruments to Androscoggin Bank at a rate of 3.27%.**
- C. Mr. Williams made the motion, seconded by Ms. Andrews and voted unanimously in favor to authorize the Superintendent, pursuant to 20-A M.R.S. § 540(15), to arrange for the acquisition of a new school bus during the 2017-2018 school year and lease purchase financing of the bus with the initial lease payment to be funded by the District's contingency account. The acquisition and financing of the bus shall be subject to Department of Education approval of state subsidy for the bus.**
- D. Mr. Jewell made the motion, seconded by Mr. Patrie to vote on the following policies individually; the motion passed unanimously:**
 - Mr. Jewell made the motion, seconded by Ms. Swift and voted unanimously in favor to approve policy ADC – Tobacco use and Possession .**
 - Mr. Jewell made the motion, seconded by Ms. Olsen and voted unanimously in favor to approve policy JL – MSAD 17 Wellness Policy.**
 - Mr. Williams made the motion, seconded by Ms. Cordwell and voted 13 in favor, 1 opposed and 0 abstentions to approve the Resolution in Support of Public Education.**
- E. Ms. Andrews made the motion, seconded by Ms. Cordwell and voted unanimously to enter into executive session at 8:30 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 8:43 p.m.**
- F. Mr. Williams made the motion, seconded by Ms. Cordwell and voted unanimously to extend the Superintendent's contract for one year through June 30, 2021.**

12. QUESTIONS/COMMENTS FROM THE BOARD:

Mr. Jewell asked for clarification on the Faculty Manager position. Superintendent Colpitts answered that the Faculty Manager is a position that attends sporting events that the Athletic Director is unable to attend due to more than one event being scheduled at the same time.

13. ADJOURNMENT:

The Vice Board Chair adjourned the meeting at 8:45 p.m..

Respectfully submitted,

**Richard Colpitts
Superintendent of School**