

June 18, 2018
South Paris, Maine

A regular meeting of the M.S.A.D. #17 Board of Directors was held on Monday evening, June 18, 2018 at Oxford Hills School District Central Office, 232 Main Street, South Paris, Maine, with the following members in attendance: Natalie Andrews, Stacia Cordwell, Stephen Cummings, David Dunn, Judy Green, Bob Jewell, Ron Kugell, Kathleen Laplante, Al Lisowski, Diana Olsen, Sarah Otterson, Barry Patrie, Troy Ripley, Kristin Roy, Gary Smith, Elizabeth Swift, Donald Ware and Henry Raymond. Board members absent were Jared Cash, Toby Whitman and Lewis Williams. Also present were Mark Bancroft, Paul Bickford, Laurie Catanese, Cathy Coffey, Dean Dillingham, Daniel Hart, Patrick Hartnett, Heather Manchester, Ted Moccia, Jane Morse, Leslie Dixon from the Sun Journal, Anthony Lima from NPCTV and Superintendent of Schools Richard Colpitts.

1. **CALL TO ORDER:** Chair Ronald Kugell called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.
2. **FLAG SALUTE:** Chair Ronald Kugell lead the flag salute.
3. **WELCOME TO VISITORS:** Chairman Kugell welcomed staff and visitors and welcomed Mr. Troy Ripley as new Board Director, representing the Town of Paris.
4. **QUESTIONS/COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC:** Mr. Mark Bancroft offered that he has 3 children in our school system and stated that he supports proficiency based education but not the 1-4 grading system. He would like the Board to hear another side to this.

5. **REPORTS:**

Student Representative: Ms. Catrina Wilson was absent.

Policy Committee: Ms. Green reported that the Committee met before tonight's Board meeting and will have a recommendation on item 11.K.

Operations Committee: Mr. Patrie reported that the Committee met before tonight's Board meeting and will have recommendations on items 11. M., N., O., and P.

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

Curriculum Committee: Ms. Manchester has scheduled a meeting of the Committee on July 9, 2018*.

*This meeting was later canceled.

Board Chair: Mr. Kugell reported that he would not be seeking reelection as Board Chair. He stated that he has served as Chair with two good superintendents, Mark Eastman and Rick Colpitts, and felt that the Board's strength is that directors are always respectful of each other's opinions and were willing to work closely together.

6. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT:

Dr. Hartnett, Mr. Moccia and Mr. Hart all gave administrative updates.

The School Budget Referendum passed by a 70% margin. The Superintendent thanked the Budget Committee for all their hard work and the public for their support.

The State Board released their list of construction projects. Agnes Gray Elementary School is 6th on the list and the Oxford Hills Middle School is 7th.

Today is the last day of the school year for students and tomorrow will be the last day for teachers.

The Observatory will be closed for the summer to support it's relocation to Robert's Farm.

Mr. Colpitts congratulated Mr. Lisowski, Mr. Smith, Ms. Laplante, Ms. Otterson and Ms. Roy on their reelection to the Board of Directors.

7. ADJUSTMENTS TO THE AGENDA:

Ms. Andrews made the motion, seconded by Mr. Lisowski and voted unanimously in favor to add Supplemental Agenda items 11.W., X. and Y to the regular Board Agenda.

8. CONSENT AGENDA: Mr. Patrie made the motion, seconded by Dr. Ware and voted unanimously in favor to approve the following:

A. The following stipend positions for Oxford Hills Middle School FY 2018-19:

OHMS Team Leaders:

0.85 FTE Jessica McGreevy
0.85 FTE Joe Cummings
0.85 FTE Michele Wood
0.85 FTE Heidi Dock/John Rothrock 0.425 each

OHMS Dept/School Leaders:

.4 FTE Joe Cummings/Michele Wood	Social Studies 0.2 each
.4 FTE Heidi Dock/John Rothrock	Special Education 0.2 each
.4 FTE Steve Shaw	Math
.4 FTE Kristie Holbrook	ELA
.4 FTE Carrie Faith	Writing
.4 FTE Charlotte Palmer	Science
.4 FTE Jennifer Feely	Health/UA
.4 FTE Jamie Toohey/Jolene Twombly-Wiser	School 0.2 each

Student Council	Michele Wood, Joe Cummings, Brian Cox - .33 FTE each
Math Team	Steve Shaw

Builders Club	Zachary Knights
Art Club	Susan Moccia
Yearbook	Carol West

B. To see if the Board will vote to approve the following K-12 Department Head:

Deborah Johnson	Gifted/Talented
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9. ACTION ON MINUTES:

A. Mr. Jewell made the motion, seconded by Ms. Olsen and voted unanimously in favor to approve the June 4, 2018 regular Board meeting minutes.

B. Mr. Patrie made the motion, seconded by Ms. Andrews and voted 14 in favor, 0 opposed and 2 abstentions to approve the minutes of the June 7, 2018 District Budget meeting.

10. UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None

11. NEW BUSINESS:

A. Mr. Patrie made the motion, seconded by Mr. Raymond and voted unanimously in favor to approve the Superintendent's nomination of Jessica Prue as Reading Recovery Teacher at a TBD location.

B. Ms. Andrews made the motion, seconded by Dr. Ware and voted unanimously in favor to approve the Superintendent's nomination of Alicia Sadler as Special Education Teacher at Oxford Hills Comprehensive High School.

C. Mr. Smith made the motion, seconded by Dr. Ware and voted unanimously in favor to approve the Superintendent's nomination of Brian Burke as English Language Arts Teacher at Oxford Hills Middle School.

D. Ms. Olsen made the motion, seconded by Ms. Andrews and voted unanimously in favor to approve the Superintendent's nomination of Richard Caughey as Grade 5 Teacher at Guy E. Rowe Elementary School.

E. Ms. Olsen made the motion, seconded by Mr. Jewell and voted unanimously in favor to approve the Superintendent's nomination of Dana Monbleau as Grade 4 Teacher at Paris Elementary School.

F. Mr. Smith made the motion, seconded by Ms. Olsen and voted unanimously in favor to approve the Superintendent's nomination of Brooke Wardwell as Grade 4 Teacher at Paris Elementary School.

Mr. Jewell made the motion, seconded by Mr. Patrie and voted unanimously in favor to vote for items 11. G., H., I. and J. collectively.

Mr. Jewell made the motion, seconded by Mr. Patrie and voted unanimously in favor to approve items 11. G., H., I. and J.

G. Brigitta Valente as Pre-Kindergarten Teacher at Paris Elementary School.

H. Samantha Zak as Kindergarten Teacher at Paris Elementary School.

I. Erika Fujimaki as Grade 5 Teacher at Paris Elementary School.

J. Riley Chickering as Social Studies Teacher at Oxford Hills Comprehensive High School.

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

BBAB	Student Representation to the Board of Education
AD	Oxford Hills Mission and Core Beliefs

L. Mr. Patrie made the motion, seconded by Ms. Green and voted unanimously in favor to authorize the Treasurer (Superintendent of Schools) to borrow monies from time to time as may become necessary during the ensuing fiscal year.

M. Ms. Olsen made the motion, seconded by Mr. Jewell and voted unanimously in favor to award the bid for painting the exterior of Waterford Memorial School to CertaPro at a cost of \$29,988.46..

N. Mr. Smith made the motion, seconded by Ms. Olsen and voted unanimously in favor to award the bid to Everett Excavation for tying into the public sewer at Oxford Elementary School at a cost of \$27,414.50.

O. Mr. Smith made the motion, seconded by Ms. Andrews and voted unanimously in favor to award the bid for repairing brick work at Oxford Elementary School to Millett Masonry at a cost of \$13,000.

P. Mr. Smith made the motion, seconded by Mr. Jewell and voted unanimously in favor to award the bid for recharging the heating system at Central Office to Mechanical Services at a cost of \$6,846.

Q. Mr. Jewell made the motion, seconded by Ms. Andrews and voted unanimously in favor to eliminate an Educational Technician II position at Otisfield Community School.

R. Mr. Smith made the motion, seconded by Ms. Andrews and voted unanimously in favor to authorize the Superintendent to hire to fill vacant positions for the rest of June, July and August.

S. Mr. Patrie made the motion, seconded by Mr. Jewell and voted unanimously in favor to approve the following (FY 19 Budget) with the wording corrected to read:

To see if the Board will vote to approve the following (FY 19 Budget):

VOTED: That the Computation and Declaration of Votes dated June 18, 2018 and attached thereto, be and it is hereby approved;

FURTHUR VOTED: That the Computation and Declaration of Votes be entered upon the records of School Administrative District No. 17;

FURTHUR VOTED: That a certified copy of the Computation and Declaration of Votes be sent to each of the Town Clerks within the District.

T. Mr. Jewell made the motion, seconded by Ms. Olsen and voted unanimously in favor to sign the annual assessments.

Mr. Patrie made the motion, seconded by Ms. Andrews and voted unanimously in favor to vote on items 11. W., X. and Y. collectively.

Mr. Jewell made the motion, seconded by Ms. Cordwell and voted unanimously in favor to approve items 11. W., X. and Y.

W. The Superintendent's nomination of Carol Coy as Grade 6 STEM Teacher at Oxford Elementary School.

X. The Superintendent's nomination of Sara Johnson as .5 FTE Art Teacher and .5 FTE World Language Teacher at Oxford Hills Middle School.

Y. The Superintendent's nomination of Jennifer Cousins as Pre-Kindergarten Teacher at Guy E. Rowe Elementary School.

**U. Mr. Jewell made the motion, seconded by Ms. Andrews and voted unanimously in favor to enter into executive session at 8:05 p.m., in accordance with 1M.R.S.A. §405 (6)(B), to conduct a hearing to determine if a student should be expelled from the Oxford Hills School District.
The Board left Executive Session at 8:40 p.m.**

V. Mr. Patrie made the motion, seconded by Ms. Andrews and voted unanimously in favor that the allegations being substantiated, to expel the student under consideration of the Oxford Hills School District for the peace and usefulness of the school and that the Superintendent provide the Board and the parents with the Board's written findings.

12. QUESTIONS/COMMENTS FROM THE BOARD:

Ms. Cordwell commented that the Portland Press Herald had a good article on Proficiency Based Education today.

Dr. Ware would like to hear from school districts that have changed their minds on Proficiency Based Education.

Mr. Raymond stated he doesn't feel there should be a vote on Proficiency yet based on public feedback.

Dr. Hartnett reminded those present that we are always working to do what is best for our students.

There was a discussion around the Tech School budget.

Ms. Laplante asked if there were any exit interviews done to find out why staff leave.

13. ADJOURNMENT:

The Board Chair adjourned the meeting at 8:44 p.m..

Respectfully submitted,

Richard Colpitts
Superintendent of School