

Regional School Unit 78
 School Board Meeting Minutes
 July 8, 2021 at 6:00 p.m.
 ZOOM Link

Kathleen Catrini, Dallas Plt	P	Deborah Ladd, Rangeley	P
Joanna Farrar, Dallas Plt	P	Amber Haley, Rangeley Plt	P
Jessica Bottcher, Rangeley	P	Joanne Dunlap, Rangeley Plt	P
Chris Farmer, Rangeley	P	Mary Richards, Sandy River Plt	P
Wesley Dugan, Rangeley		(Vacant) , Sandy River Plt	
Karen Seaman, Rangeley	P	Mya Laliberte, Student Rep	

Quorum: 814/1003

1. Call to Order 6:00PM
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Election of Chair and Vice-Chair for 2021-2022
 Kathy Catrini nominates Mary Richard for board chair,
 Deb Ladd seconds
 Unanimous vote: motion carries Mary Richards elected
 Mary Richards nominates Deb Ladd for vice chair,
 Amber Haley seconds
 Unanimous vote: motion carries
4. Adjustments to the Agenda
 no adjustments
5. Approval of Minutes for June 10, 2021
 Motion Jessica Bottcher;
 Second Amber Haley
 Unanimous vote; motion carries
6. Public Comments Nothing in person or in Zoom at this time
7. Chair, Superintendent, Principal and Student Representative Comments
 Superintendent Campbell: Welcome new board members, Joanna Farrar, Wesley Dugan (not present), and Joanne Dunlap.
 Hard at work on Title IA, II, IV, V grants and ESEA grants. If any member of the public would like to be a member of the planning team, please contact the school. Community input is welcomed and needed.
 American Rescue Plan funds planning is underway. Put out a survey to all staff and parents asking what they would like to see the funds spent on. Overwhelming responses from parents was to see more experiential learning and outdoor learning. All expenditures have to be COVID-related.

Principal Laliberte: Beginning work on the Student/Parent Handbook, attendance policy, scheduling PK-12 and looking for ways to expand the schedule especially at the middle school level, Fun Day at the end of the year was a huge hit for all school staff and students.

Portrait of a Graduate work is moving forward. More information on that project coming soon. (See video for NWEA presentation.)

Superintendent Campbell: Because Magalloway has pulled out of the district, it changes the configuration of the quorum. Will be submitting a reapportionment plan.

Chris Farmer: New board members, please go to your town offices and get formally sworn in before you can legally vote on the board.

8. Committee Reports

8.1 Policy Committee – K. Catrini:

Next meeting anticipated for the last Wednesday in July if everyone can make that date. Look for an email from Kathy C. Has gone through all the policies and will be starting back at the beginning as well as consideration of new policies. Every policy must be reviewed within three years. Board workshop this summer to remind board members of their role, communication with community, etc... Look for a meeting date to come from Board Chair and Superintendent.

8.2 Finance Committee – Jessica Bottcher: No meeting today.

8.3 Facilities Committee – Chris Farmer: Ginny sent an update, read by Chris Farmer. Summer work continues including new offices and spaces. Outdoor classroom/playground project continues with local fundraising. Have raised more than \$10,000 thus far. Emergency egress is almost complete with the exception of paving. Long range planning includes review of the Taylor Report. Want to map out a solid capital plan over this coming school year.

8.4 Negotiating Committee – M. Richards: Met again on June 18th and had a very productive session. Overall the atmosphere and feeling was that everyone gave something, and everyone gained something. Support Staff union has a mocked up copy for review and vote. Committee will have a clean copy for board review and vote in an executive session at next board meeting

8.5 Team Leader Report – S. Laliberte: already reported out as principal

9. Appointments, Resignations, Nominations and Transfers:

Transfers:

Brittany DiPompo is moving into the new K-8 Guidance/6-8 Intervention role

Motion Chris Farmer:

Second Jessica Bottcher
Unanimous; motion carries

Bridget Morton is moving into the third grade position
Motion Jessica Bottcher;
Second Kathy Catrini
Unanimous; motion carries

Michelle Laliberte is moving back into Kindergarten
Motion Karen Seaman;
Second Jessica Bottcher
Unanimous; motion carries

Nominations:
Ashley Ferrara to be new PreK teacher
Motion Chris Farmer;
Second Karen Seaman
Unanimous; motion carries

Jeff Hawksley for Girls Varsity soccer coach
Motion Chris Farmer;
Second Karen Seaman
Unanimous; motion carries

Resignation of Brittany Garcia, 4th grade

10. Action Items:

10.1 Orientation of Board for 2021-2022 MSMA Stay tuned for a board workshop. Critical for new members and optional for those who have sat on the board in the past year. All board members also need to remember to complete the state Freedom of Access training. Go to Maine DOE website and search "freedom of access".

10.2 New Committee Assignments:

10.2.1 Finance: Karen Seaman, Chris Farmer (committee chair), Joanna Farrar

10.2.2 Policy: Kathy Catrini (committee chair), Amber Haley, Joanne Dunlap

10.2.3 Building/Facility: Jessica Bottcher (committee chair), Chris Farmer, Wesley Dugan

10.3 Future Board Meetings Board meetings will be face to face. Starting August, board meetings will move to the second Tuesdays of each month at 6:00PM Meetings will no longer be via Zoom. Going forward, meetings will be live streamed to YouTube and mic all board members and have a mic available for the public. Board members will also need to

appear in person as well as anyone who wants to make a public comment will need to be in person. Shawn Russell will create an email for community members who would like to email comments, questions, concerns, and kudos in advance of board meetings.

- 10.4 School lunch prices 2021-2022 No increase because they are free for the next school year.
Is there a school lunch balance?
No – no balances are due.

Adjourn Motion Deb Ladd;
Second Chris Farmer
Unanimous vote; motion carries 7:06PM

Next meeting: August 10, 2021

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