

**Regional School Unit 78
School Board Meeting Minutes
September 12, 2023 5:30 p.m.
RLRS Multi-Purpose Room**

Google Meet joining info

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Kathleen Catrini, Dallas Plt	P	Joanne Dunlap, Rangeley Plt	P
Joanna Farrar-V. Chair, Dallas Plt	P	Amber Haley, Rangeley Plt	P
Kayla Alexander, Rangeley	P	Mary Richards-Chair, Sandy River Plt	P
Karen Seaman, Rangeley	A	Robert Greene, Sandy River Plt	A
Chris Farmer, Rangeley	P	Angelica Chavaree-Woodward, Student Rep	P
Deborah Ladd, Rangeley	P	Nichole Lemay, Student Rep	P
Danielle Lemay, Rangeley	P		

Quorum: /997

1. Call to Order by Mary Richards
 - Time: 5:33pm
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Adjustments to the Agenda
 - Addition of 9.5
4. Approval of Minutes for August 8, 2023
 - Motion to approve: KA
 - 2nd: DL
 - Discussion: None
 - Passed: unanimously
5. Public Comments
 - Sarita Crandall - Thank you to the board/Jeff LaRoche for approval to renovate the middle school Science classroom. The school board welcome to come in at any time.
6. Board Comments:
 - Chair: Mary Richards:
 - A treat to be here during the first day back for teachers, got to meet new staff, and see rooms being set up. Thank you to Joanna for breakfast and Deb for coffee and treats
 - Sept. 20th 9am-2:30pm- Drummond and Woodsum Law Conference - law challenges, case studies, current events happening throughout the state; if anyone is interested, there are still spots available; Deb and Georgia plan to attend

- Superintendent: Georgia Campbell
 - The start of this school year has been different than in years past; good vibes with new staff
 - Open House - Wednesday, 10/18 from 5-6pm; school board will be there to present procedure
- Principal: Seth Laliberte
 - Open House - Portrait of a Learner, Healthy Community Coalition, Saddleback?, set up in Main Hallway
 - Grants - Maine School Garden Grant - \$2,000 received by Darlene Woodman, Whole Foods Grant - \$2,000; next steps to make a list of local carpenters to contact to build greenhouse
 - Positions - Special Ed is rounding out, interview this week for kitchen positions
 - Assessments - October 2nd through end of October - grades 3-8 and 10
- Student Representative(s):
 - Angelica - Seniors have begun planning their Senior Trip; campaigning for Student Council President and Vice President; Seussical is the fall music production
 - Nichole - Class Elections are completed; online college classes have begun; soccer games are underway - getting used to 8v8; Junior class Car Wash - raised approximately \$1,400.

7. Committee Reports

7.1 Policy Committee: - K. Catrini

- met on 8/28 and there are four action items tonight; next meeting Monday, 10/2 at 3pm

7.2 Finance Committee: - C. Farmer

- met immediately before this meeting; one action item 9.4 - transferring budgeted money

7.3 Facilities Committee – D. Lemay (D. Ladd reporting out)

- Funds for lineage came from last year's funds, paving on hold
- Walkway Lights are currently not working -
- Fuel Tank - quote to remove 10,000 gal tank and replace with 6,000 tank - came in much higher than expected; looking into other a la carte options and pricing from local contractors
- Sewer Line - minor backup issue - Vortex will come back and then we will be back on a regular clean-up schedule
- Contacting the State to find out which lines are where
- Child Care Center
- Science Room - renovations

7.4 Negotiations – B. Greene

- Bob will be chair of Negotiations team; Support Staff is in the process of putting together a committee
- Would like to be completed before the end of the year

8. Appointments, Resignations, Nominations and Transfers

- Nominations - Skyela Burgess - Ed. Tech. III / Adam Varney - Asst. Boys Varsity Soccer Coach

9. Action Items:

9.1 Consideration for an overnight trip for Middle School to attend Camp Kieve - leadership school- geared at building community, experiential programming - Kieve underwrites 50% of cost - October 12-13, 2023

- Motion to approve: KA
- 2nd: DL
- Discussion: JD - asked about the schedule starting late morning through the following late morning / SL - commented on the detail to organization
- Vote: unanimous

9.2 Consideration for an out of state field trip to Washington D.C to attend National Student Leadership Conference

- Motion to approve: CF
- 2nd: KA
- Discussion: None
- Vote: unanimous

9.3 Consideration to revise the following policies:

IKE-Promotion, Retention, and Acceleration of Students - KA, DL, unanimous
 EEB-Special Use of District Transportation Vehicles - tabled
 EEB-R – Special Use of District Transportation Vehicles Procedure and Fee Schedule - KA, DL , unanimous
 BBA-R – School Board By-Laws - KA, DL, unanimous

- Motion to approve:
- 2nd:
- Discussion:
- Vote:

9.4 Motion: FY22-23 Budget. Transfer from Regular Instruction 75% and Special Ed 25% to cover the overages in School Administration \$4,631.15 and Facilities Maintenance \$114,834.05.

75% Regular Instruction – School Admin - \$3,473.36
 25% Special Education – School Admin - \$1,157.79

Facilities Maintenance - \$86,125.54
 Facilities Maintenance - \$28,708.51

- Motion to approve: CF
- 2nd: DL
- Discussion: None
- Vote: unanimous

9.5 Easement Approval - Children’s Center Public Water/Sewer

- option to charge for the easement, they are willing to pay for school’s legal counsel
- establish a memorandum of understanding to exist between the school and Beth Brunswick Memorial Fund

- Motion to approve: KA
- 2nd: DL
- Discussion: None
- Vote: unanimous

Adjourn

- Time: 6:50
- Motion to approve: KA
- 2nd: DL
- Discussion: None
- Vote: Passes Unanimously

Next meeting: October 10, 2023

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