

Maine School Administrative District No. 49

School Board Meeting Minutes

8 School Street, Fairfield, ME 04937
207-453-4200

September 17, 2015

A meeting of the M.S.A.D. #49 Board of School Directors was held on September 17, 2015 at Lawrence High School.

1. The school board meeting was called to order by Chair, Shelley Rudnicki, at 7:00 p.m.

2. Roll Call & Declaration of Quorum

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| Boutin | : Present | Dumont | : Absent | Neubauer | : Absent |
| Boyden | : Present | Fitzpatrick | : Present | Michaud | : Present |
| Caverly | : Present | Grenier | : Present | Rudnicki | : Present |
| Chesley | : Present | Kinley | : Present | Tompkins | : Present |
| | | Liberty | : Present | | |

Pledge of Allegiance

3. Approval of Minutes

15-09-12

Motion by Ms. Tompkins, 2nd by Ms. Boutin to vote to accept the minutes from the September 3, 2015 board meeting. Passed: 11-0-0.

4. Student Report

5. Citizen Input

Chair Rudnicki announced that she would provide announcements and information about school activities after Citizen Input on the agenda. She reviewed the box tops for education and Hannaford Dollars as opportunities to supplement funds for students without impacting taxes.

6. Old Business

7. New Business

CATV Director Laura Guite presented a request for funding of \$100 per meeting to cover school board meetings on local cable. Ms. Guite stated that CATV would provide a link on the district website for those without cable as well as sending the feed to U-tube. She indicated that CATV needs funds to cover the cost of production.

15-09-13

Motion by Ms. Tompkins, 2nd by Mr. Fitzpatrick to vote to pay \$100 to CATV per board meeting taped for local cable. Passed: 7-3-1.

- Principals met with board members in rotating, small groups to review the results of their respective 2014-15 School Instructional Improvement Plans.
- The Superintendent reviewed 2015-16 draft of District Goals and Priorities.

15-09-14

Motion by Mr. Kinley, 2nd by Mr. Fitzpatrick to accept the 2015-16 District Goals and Priorities as presented. Passed: 11-0-0.

Resignations:

Appointments:

8. Committee Reports

Board Chair Rudnicki reported that the finance committee recently met to discuss the \$807,000 refund from Maine PERS. The committee recommended use of the funds as revenue in future budgets to reduce pressure on property taxes.

Mr. Fitzpatrick reminded the board that it would meet on November 19 at the Mid Maine Technical Center.

Ms. Rudnicki reported that the negotiations committee met with the teachers' association and reached a compromise on issues under discussion.

Facilities Committee Chair Caverly reported that the committee will meet on October 6 at 4:30 in the Superintendent's conference room. Mr. Caverly suggested that the October 1 board meeting convene at Albion Elementary School with a tour of the facility at 6:30 pm.

9. Superintendent's Report

Dr. Baker reported that the district is holding evacuation drills in all schools over the course of two weeks. Drills conducted to date include Albion, Fairfield Primary and Benton. He commended the staff and students for their seriousness of purpose and demeanor during the drills.

Superintendent Baker asked board members for interest in attending the MSBA Fall Conference on October 22 and 23. The board selected Ms. Rudnicki as its member of the delegate assembly.

Dr. Baker reported that the Tech I Association President Greene submitted the notice of intent to negotiate a successor to the current collective bargaining agreement.

Superintendent distributed copies of the Lawrence Junior and Senior High School Homework Hotline card to members.

Albion Principal Lee reported that the Albion PTA is sponsoring a field trip to Lakewood Theatre for all students in the school.

Assistant Principal Packard reviewed the first round of progress monitoring for students at Benton Elementary. Teachers, literacy coaches, math specialists, special ed. teachers and administrators coordinated efforts to provide students with effective interventions as soon as problems are identified.

10. Other Business

Adjournment

15-09-15

Motion by Mr. Fitzpatrick, 2nd Mr. Grenier to vote to adjourn the meeting. Passed 11-0-0.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:07 p.m.

Respectfully,



Dean P. Baker, Secretary to the Board

The next meeting of the M.S.A.D. #49 Board of Directors will be October 1, 2015 at the Albion Elementary School.