

Maine School Administrative District No. 49

School Board Meeting Minutes

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

October 1, 2015

A meeting of the M.S.A.D. #49 Board of School Directors was held on October 1, 2015 at Albion Elementary School.

1. The school board meeting was called to order by Vice Chair, Neal Caverly, at 7:00 p.m.

2. Roll Call & Declaration of Quorum

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

Pledge of Allegiance

3. Approval of Minutes

15-10-01

Motion by Mr. Liberty, 2nd by Mr. Fitzpatrick to vote to accept the minutes from the September 17, 2015 board meeting. Passed: 10-0-0.

The board expressed its deep sympathy and condolences to board chair Shelley Rudnicki at the loss of a family member.

4. Student Report

5. Citizen Input

Mr. William Neubauer, an Albion resident, recommended that the board consider long-term use of Maine PERS refund for facilities or for topics that would produce long-term savings and cost efficiency.

6. Old Business

7. New Business

Assistant Superintendent Nora Murray reviewed the District Emergency Plans and the District Crisis Response Policy. Her review included elements of individual school emergency management plans and district-wide efforts. The board approved the plan by consensus.

Principals of all schools preK-12 distributed copies of their respective instructional improvement plans for 2015-16. Principals will answer any questions board members may have at the October 15 meeting.

Resignations:

Appointments:

15-10-02

Motion by Mr. Kinley, 2nd by Ms. Boutin to offer Mike Caliandro a 2015 fall co-curricular coaching position as LHS Percussion co-advisor for a \$1000 stipend. Passed: 10-0-0.

8. Committee Reports

9. Superintendent's Report

Dr. Baker reported as follow up to the review on district emergency plans that grades 7-12 participated in a lock down drill on September 28. Principals Campbell and Hersom reported that students fully complied with drill expectations.

Superintendent Baker distributed accident insurance forms through MSMA to board members. He also reminded people that the facilities committee will meet on Tuesday, October 6. Questions from the board tour of the Albion facility will be discussed at that meeting.

Principal Gordon reported that the Clinton students elected their student council and the school held its first student of the month assembly honoring one student from each class.

Mr. Packard informed the board that Benton's school book fair has started. Students can purchase books at a discount rate to benefit PTO activities.

10. Other Business

Mr. Kinley distributed a chart on state support for education. The chart demonstrated that state funding has not reached the legally mandated 55% level, but is currently running around 46%. At the same time the state has shifted the cost of the Teacher Retirement System to local districts. Mr. Kinley noted that while the state is underfunding its obligation, it continues to enforce mandated cost on local districts.

Dr. Baker stated that the district has only received one bid on possible creation of an additional parking lot at Benton Elementary. The facility committee will review the issue at its meeting next week.

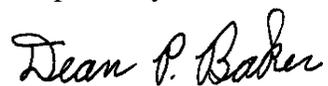
Adjournment

15-10-03

Motion by Mr. Fitzpatrick, 2nd Mr. Grenier to vote to adjourn the meeting. Passed 10-0-0.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:44 p.m.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Dean P. Baker". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, prominent initial 'D'.

Dean P. Baker, Secretary to the Board

The next meeting of the M.S.A.D. #49 Board of Directors will be October 15, 2015 at Fairfield Primary School. A tour of the facility will begin at 6:30 pm with the meeting following at 7:00 pm.