

# Maine School Administrative District No. 49

## School Board Meeting Minutes

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207-453-4200

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November 3, 2016

A meeting of the M.S.A.D. #49 Board of School Directors was held on November 3, 2016 at the Junior 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**

Boyden	: Absent	Flood-Gerow	: arrived @ 7:02	Martin	: Present
Caverly	: Present	Kinley	: Present	Michaud	: Present
Chesley	: Present	Knox	: Present	Rudnicki	: Present
Dumont	: Present	Liberty	: Present	Tompkins	: Present

**Pledge of Allegiance**

**3. Approval of Minutes**

16-11-01

Motion by Ms. Tompkins, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mr. Martin to vote to accept the minutes from the October 20, 2016 board meeting. Passed: 10-0-1.

**4. Citizen Input**

A very large number of citizens of Albion attended the meeting with several speakers representing the group. Citizens expressed concern and dissatisfaction with the method the board used in its consideration of an October 20 motion to close Albion Elementary School, although the motion did not pass. Citizens disputed the accuracy of information made available by board members after October 20 regarding the school closure.

Ms. Rudnicki reported the Lawrence clothes closet is still in need of personal items. Contributions can be made directly to the school.

**5. Old Business**

**6. New Business**

- Presentation of Science Curriculum: The Superintendent introduced the district science curriculum committee. The following members have worked on the project for the last two years and have begun implementing the new curriculum based on the National Next Generation Science Standards.

Committee members are:

Meghan Hiltner	Kindergarten
Margo Bailey	Grade 1
Laura Shea	Grade 2
Bridget West	Grade 3
Amy Robitaille	Grade 4
Tonya Therrian	Grade 5
Susan Condon	Grade 6
Pam Easler	Grade 7
Emile Rodrigue	Grade 8
Wanda Lord	High School
Jason Bellner	High School
David Packard	Administration
Karl Matulis	Administration
Brian Wedge	Administration
David Packard	Administration
Karl Matulis	Administration
Dean Baker	Administration

Various committee members explained the new national standards, the process of creating curriculum guides and the content of the guides. Teachers also explained the standard lesson plan template and how science is integrated with other subjects, especially language arts and mathematics, throughout the day in Grades K-6. Grades 7 and 8 now use electronic text books and digital resources. High school staff expressed appreciation for this year's renovation of four laboratories. Those will assist in helping to meet the new requirements that all students study chemistry. Committee members also reviewed the process for developing formative and summative assessments. Those will help with the framework for determining proficiency on Maine Learning Results mandated by the state. The board accepted the presentation and offered several questions and comments.

- Discussion of School Facility Planning: Board members reviewed several issues raised during the citizen input segment regarding Albion Elementary School. Members also discussed the new school application and the process for involving the community in decisions on facilities.

16-10-12

Motion by Mr. Martin, 2nd Mr. Caverly to vote to continue the meeting past 10:00 PM.  
Failed: 4-7-0.

### **Resignations:**

### **Appointments:**

### **8. Committee Reports**

### **9. Superintendent's Report**

### **10. Other Business**

## Adjournment

16-10-12

Motion by Mr. Liberty, 2nd Ms. Tompkins to vote to adjourn the meeting. Passed 8-3-0.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:08 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 initial 'D'.

Dean P. Baker, Secretary to the Board

The next meeting of the M.S.A.D. #49 Board of Directors will be November 17 at Lawrence Junior High School.