

# Maine School Administrative District No. 49

## School Board Meeting Minutes

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

MINUTES

November 16, 2017

A meeting of the M.S.A.D. #49 Board of School Directors was held on November 16, 2017 at Lawrence 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	: Present	Michaud	: Present
Caverly	: Present	Knox	: Present	Rudnicki	: Present
Chesley	: Present	Kugelmeyer	: Present	Tompkins	: Absent
Dumont	: Present	Liberty	: Present	Toto-Lawrence	: Present
		Martin	: Present	Student Short	: Absent

**Pledge of Allegiance**

**3. Approval of Minutes**

17-11-06

Motion by Mr. Martin, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mr. Caverly to vote to accept the minutes from the November 2, 2017 board meeting. Passed: 9-0-2.

**4. Citizen Input**

Ms. Rudnicki reminded everyone to participate in the Hannaford Dollars for Education, the box tops for education program and to continue donating to the Bulldog Clothes Closet for grades K-12. Christmas for Teens is also accepting donations at this time.

**5. Student Report**

Mr. Campbell reported for student Short that Ms. Allie Brown has organized LHS girls to participate in the Olympia Snowe Institute, five students are participating in this program that promotes leadership skills and confidence. The LHS football team completed their season winning the Northern Maine Runner-up Trophy. Winter sports begin next week. KVCC sponsored 'Admit in a Day!' at Lawrence, 10 students were admitted. MMTC Students of the Month include: Jacob Harris, Holden Pressey, Justin Seamens and Courtney Day.

**6. Old Business**

- Snowplowing at Lawrence Complex:

17-11-07

Motion by Mr. Liberty, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Ms. Flood-Gerow to vote to accept the Memorandum of Understanding between the town of Fairfield and the District regarding snow plowing of parts of Lawrence Junior and Senior High School Complex as presented except to extend the agreement to 2019. Passed: 11-0-0.

Board members stated their appreciation for the cooperation by members of the Fairfield Town Council for the mutually beneficial arrangement for the town to plow parts of the Lawrence Complex and for the school district to make gas and diesel fuel available to the town at 10 cents per gallon above cost for the school district.

## **7. New Business**

### **Resignations:**

Kathy Buck, Ed. Tech. II, Retirement June 2018

Margaret Fortier, Ed. Tech II, Retirement June 2018

### **Appointments:**

17-11-08

Motion by Mr. Martin, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mr. Liberty to vote to approve the Superintendent offering Tim Robinson the co-curricular position of JV Boys Basketball coach for a stipend of \$3432. Passed: 11-0-0.

17-11-09

Motion by Mr. Martin, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mr. Michaud to vote to approve the Superintendent to offer Jordan Nicolas and Ben Kent a 2017-18 co-curricular position as LJHS Boys Basketball Coaches for a stipend of \$2340 each. Passed: 11-0-0.

## **8. Committee Reports**

The Policy Committee will meet on Monday, November 27 at 4:30 in the Superintendent's Office.

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

Superintendent Baker informed the board that the November 13 in-service day focused on K-8 training for DRA II and Fastmath. Faculty in grades 7-12 worked on calibration of faculty scoring of local district assessments.

Dr. Baker reported the State Department of Education team for site visits on new school applications toured facilities on November 14 at Fairfield Primary, Albion and Clinton Elementary Schools. The Department is reviewing 81 applications for new school construction in this round. The Department staff indicated they hope to have results for local districts in March 2018.

Dr. Baker stated that the November 28 early release will focus on curriculum work and development of alternative assessments.

The Superintendent read a letter from MSAD #49 Teacher Association President Elon Firmage informing the board of the Teacher Association's intent to bargain a renewal of the collective bargaining agreement.

Principal Wedge reported the Benton running club is in its 8<sup>th</sup> week. Students track their miles and receive incentives after a few weeks. Benton's average daily attendance is 96% for the first quarter.

Principal Lee reported Albion kindergarten and first grade Thanksgiving celebration will be held November 21. The kindergarten class will be making Native American costumes and the first graders will be making and wearing pilgrim costumes to the feast – parents are welcome and encouraged to attend. Fairfield primary collected non-perishable items and donated to the Interfaith Food Pantry.

Principal Gordon noted 41 Clinton students from grades 4-6 made honor roll for the first quarter.

Principal Boynton reported the JHS Advanced Art students held 'Paint Night' an annual fund raiser for a trip to the Boston Museum of Fine Arts. The LJHS Theater Company is set to perform 'I Hate Shakespeare' November 17 and 18. The LJHS Lego Robotics team will be traveling to Spruce Mountain in Jay for their first qualifying competition.

## 10. Other Business

Mr. Liberty stated that he is concerned about observing numbers of teachers at Lawrence Junior and Senior High School leaving with students at the end of the school day. He also questioned students parking in the teachers' parking lot.

Ms. Rudnicki noted that the scheduling group will meet Monday, November 20 at 3:00 at the LJHS Multi-Purpose Room.

17-11-10

Motion by Mr. Liberty, 2nd Mr. Martin to vote to request state approval to purchase three school buses for 2018-19. Passed 11-0-0.

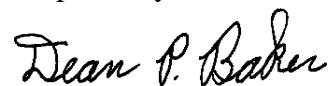
## Adjournment

17-11-11

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

The meeting was adjourned at 7:55 p.m.

Respectfully,



Dean P. Baker, Secretary to the Board

The next regular meeting of the M.S.A.D. #49 Board of Directors will be December 7, 2017 at Lawrence Junior High School at 7:00 pm.