

Maine School Administrative District No. 49

School Board Meeting Minutes

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

November 19, 2015

A meeting of the M.S.A.D. #49 Board of School Directors was held on December 3, 2015 at the 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

Boutin	: Present	Dumont	: Present	Neubauer	: Arrived @ 7:08
Boyden	: Present	Fitzpatrick	: Present	Michaud	: Present
Caverly	: Arrived @ 7:19	Grenier	: Present	Rudnicki	: Present
Chesley	: Absent	Kinley	: Present	Tompkins	: Present
		Liberty	: Absent	Student Dyer	: Absent

Pledge of Allegiance

3. Approval of Minutes

15-12-01

Motion by Ms. Tompkins, 2nd by Ms. Boutin to vote to accept the minutes from the November 19, 2015 board meeting. Passed: 9-0-0.

4. Student Report

Kayden Dyer sent his report from LHS. Mrs. Deku invited her husband to present to the geography classes regarding growing up in Africa. The Theater Company is performing *Into The Woods* on January 14, 15 and 16 and the Holiday Concert is scheduled for December 15.

5. Citizen Input

Ms. Caroline Lawrence addressed the board about concerns with the behavior of cheering coaches and the selection of team members. She also expressed concern that injuries need to be reported.

6. Old Business

7. New Business

The board discussed a request for an exemption from the normal board expectation that the district does not conduct activities on Sundays. The New England Track Championship will be held on Sunday, February 28 in Massachusetts. The board, through consensus, agreed to the exception in order to allow Lawrence students to participate if they qualify.

Resignations:

Linda Ewing, LHS Guidance, Retirement, June 2016
Susan Bilsend, Speech Associate, Retirement, June 2016

Appointments:

8. Committee Reports

Mr. Kinley reported that he attended a session at Colby College on the National Proficiency Initiative. The speaker detailed the connection between digital and educational service corporations and the attempt to adopt proficiency standards by the states. Maine is the only state with such a requirement.

Ms. Boyden noted that Clinton Grade 6 will hold a spaghetti supper to help fund the grade 6 trip to Boston.

9. Superintendent's Report

Mrs. Murray reported that the teacher evaluation committee met today continuing work on development of professional goals and student learning objectives. She noted that this is a pilot year in which committee members will be evaluated under the newly developed system. The group has a target date of February to complete the first cycle of evaluations.

Dr. Baker noted the science committee met again and there will be an early release on December 11 to allow grade level meetings on the Next Generation Science Standards. Teachers not involved with science will be working on pacing charts in all subjects in grades 7-12.

Superintendent Baker reported that the district will not field a girl's freshman basketball team this year. Seven of the area districts have already dropped freshman girls' basketball due to a lack of expressed interest and participants.

Dr. Baker distributed a schedule for Christmas concerts across the district.

Mr. Wedge conveyed that the junior high Lego Robotics Team competed in a recent tournament and qualified to participate in the Maine State Championships on December 12.

Principal Lee reported that Fairfield Primary will visit the Festival of Trees on December 11 at Good Will Hinckley. On December 8 students will be visited by a special seasonal visitor – a reindeer. Mrs. Lee informed the board that Albion will hold their annual pot luck dinner with Santa on December 11.

Mrs. Gordon relayed that both the lower and upper wing resource rooms put together Thanksgiving celebrations for Clinton Elementary staff and a few board members who were able to attend. Clinton will host a Christmas Concert on December 18.

Assistant Principal Packard noted that Benton students who completed the Principal's Summer Challenge were treated to a basketball handling show put on by Joseph Odiahmbo. About 200 students completed the challenge this year. Benton's PTO is sponsoring their annual craft fair on December 12.

BREAK – 5 minutes

10. Other Business

15-12-02

Motion by Mr. Grenier, 2nd by Mr. Fitzpatrick to go into executive session to discuss contract negotiations under 1MRSA § 405(6)D. Passed: 11-0-0.

Time In: 7:55 pm

Time Out: 8:27 pm

15-12-03

Motion by Mr. Kinley, 2nd by Mr. Fitzpatrick to authorize the negotiations committee to conclude negotiations with the administrators on the basis of the proposal presented to the board. Passed: 9-2-0.

15-12-04

Motion by Ms. Boutin, 2nd by Mr. Caverly to go into executive session for the evaluation of the Superintendent under 1MRSA § 405(6). Passed: 11-0-0.

Time In: 8:30 pm

Time Out: 9:44 pm

15-12-05

Motion by Ms. Boutin, 2nd by Mr. Caverly to approve the Superintendent's contract as negotiated. Passed: 11-0-0.

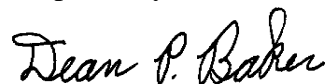
Adjournment

15-12-06

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

The meeting was adjourned at 9:46 p.m.

Respectfully,



Dean P. Baker, Secretary to the Board

The next meeting of the M.S.A.D. #49 Board of Directors TBA.