

MINUTES
RSU 13 SCHOOL BOARD MEETING
THURSDAY – JULY 20, 2017
MCLAIN SCHOOL
6:30PM

1. Call to Order and Declaration of a Quorum – *Chair Roberts called the meeting to order at 6:30 PM and quorum was declared. Carol Bachofner, Gerald Weinand, Loren Andrews, Chair Roberts, Susan Allen Thomas, Nancy Jeffers, Jesse Butler, and Tom Peaco were present. Ron Gamage and Kella River were absent.*
2. Pledge of Allegiance – *The Pledge of Allegiance was conducted.*
3. Election of 2017-2018 School Board Officers:
 - A. School Board Chair – *Loren Andrews nominated Steven Roberts for School Board Chair and that nomination was seconded by Susan Allen Thomas. Steven Roberts was elected School Board Chair unanimously, of those present.*
 - B. School Board Vice Chair – *Carol Bachofner nominated Loren Andrews as School Board Vice Chair and that nomination was seconded by Susan Allan Thomas. Loren Andrews was elected School Board Vice Chair unanimously, of those present.*
4. Adjustments to the Agenda – **See bold and underlined.**
5. Public Participation: Citizens are welcome to speak to agenda matters before the Board (up to 30 minutes total) – *None*
6. Consent Agenda
 - A. Approval of the minutes of the meeting of June 1, 2017 – *hearing no objections, the consent agenda was acknowledged.*
7. Business Items
 - A. To acknowledge the resignation of:
 - (1) Melora Norman, Library/Media Specialist, Oceanside High School
 - (2) Abigail Nash, Band Teacher, Oceanside Middle School
 - (3) Lauren Wilgus, Grade 1 Teacher, South School
 - (4) Torry Verrill, Pre-K Teacher, Penquis
 - (5) Elizabeth Sommo, Social Worker, Oceanside Middle School

It was moved by Jesse Butler and seconded by Nancy Jeffers to acknowledge the resignations of: Melora Norman, Library/Media Specialist at Oceanside High School; Abigail Nash, Band Teacher at Oceanside Middle School; Lauren Wilgus, Grade 1 Teacher at South School; Torry Verrill, Pre-K Teacher at Penquis; and Elizabeth Sommo, Social Worker at Oceanside Middle School. Motion carried unanimously, of those present.
 - B. To acknowledge the appointment of:
 - (1) Nicholas Citriglia, Social Worker, District

- (2) Amy Hufnagel, Social Worker, South School and Thomaston Grammar School
- (3) Andrea Sgobbo Garver, Special Education Teacher, Oceanside Middle School
- (4) Racheal Ahearn, Special Education Teacher, Oceanside Middle School
- (5) Shawn Anderson, Special Education Teacher, Oceanside High School
- (6) Stefani Stevens, English/Language Arts Teacher, Oceanside High School
- (7) Katharine Selberg, Grade 1 Teacher, South School
- (8) Lesley Johnson, School Nurse, South School
- (9) Linda Robbins, Grade 8 Science, Oceanside Middle School
- (10) Meredith Joyce, School Nurse, Cushing Community School and Thomaston Grammar School
- (11) **Everett Smith, Grade 8 Science Teacher, Oceanside Middle School**
- (12) **James Boyd, Music Teacher, Cushing Community School and Thomaston Grammar School**
- (13) **Alex Fayvil, Grade 6 Math Teacher, Oceanside Middle School**
- (14) **Kyle Robinson, Grade 6 Math Teacher, Oceanside Middle School (one-year only position)**
- (15) **Christine Roling, Pre-K Teacher, South School**

It was moved by Jesse Butler and seconded by Nancy Jeffers to acknowledge the appointments of: Nicholas Citriglia, Social Worker, District; Amy Hufnagel, Social Worker, South School and Thomaston Grammar School; Andrea Sgobbo Garver, Special Education Teacher, Oceanside Middle School; Racheal Ahearn, Special Education Teacher, Oceanside Middle School; Shawn Anderson, Special Education Teacher, Oceanside High School; Stefani Stevens, English/Language Arts Teacher, Oceanside High School; Katharine Selberg, Grade 1 Teacher, South School; Lesley Johnson, School Nurse, South School; Linda Robbins, Grade 8 Science, Oceanside Middle School; Meredith Joyce, School Nurse, Cushing Community School and Thomaston Grammar School; Everett Smith, Grade 8 Science Teacher, Oceanside Middle School; James Boyd, Music Teacher, Cushing Community School and Thomaston Grammar School; Alex Fayvil, Grade 6 Math Teacher, Oceanside Middle School (one year only position); and Christine Roling, Pre-K Teacher, South School. Motion carried unanimously, of those present.

- C. To undertake a second reading of Policy EBBCA – *Fragrance and Air Quality*

It was moved by Loren Andrews and seconded by Nancy Jeffers to undertake a second reading of Policy EBBCA- Fragrance and Air Quality. Motion carried unanimously, of those present.

- D. **Authorize School Revolving Renovation Fund Financing**

Nancy Jeffers moved that the vote entitled, “Vote to Authorize \$576,697 School Revolving Renovation Fund Financing,” be approved in form presented to this meeting and that the Secretary file an attested copy of said vote with the minutes of this meeting, and that the reading of the entire meeting be dispensed. The motion was seconded by Susan Allen Thomas, and carried unanimously, of those present.

8. Communications – Mr. McDonald read a letter from the Maine Community Foundation regarding a grant that Angela Johnson, Music Teacher, received. \$1923.75 was awarded for the “Let’s Play Ukulele” project at Cushing Community School.
9. Reports
 - A. Report of the Superintendent – Mr. McDonald reported that he and Business Manager, Peter Orne, met with Jason Merriam and Blane Casey regarding the plans for the new school in Owls Head. There will be a groundbreaking ceremony the first or second week of August. He also reported that all elementary school students will receive free breakfast and lunch this school year, and they will be trying a new program called “Breakfast in the Classroom.”

- B. Report of the Business Manager – *No report, Business Manager not present.*
- C. Report of the Board Chair – *Chair Roberts began his report with an announcement that Thomaston Board Member Kella River has resigned her position on the Board, and he thanked her for all of her time and effort advocating for the students of RSU 13. Chair Roberts also mentioned that they are continuing to work on putting together a Strategic Plan Update Committee, and is hoping to have the committee finalized by the next Board meeting. He concluded his report by discussing committee assignments, and asked that if anyone would like to change, please let him know.*

10. Committee Reports and Upcoming Meetings

- A. Curriculum & Technology – *Met June 19th, 2017. Next meeting on August 28th at 3:30 PM.*
 - B. SETF- *Met on June 5th, 2017. Next meeting is in October, date to be determined.*
 - C. Finance & Facilities – *Met on June 29th, 2017. Next meeting August 21, 2017, at 5:00 PM.*
 - D. Policy & Communications – *Met on June 19th, 2017. Next meeting August 21, 2017 at 5:00 PM.*
 - E. Building Committee Reports from OMS/OHS and New Elementary School Committee Chairs- *OMS/OHS- next meeting on August 7th, 2017. New Elementary School will be having a groundbreaking ceremony the first week of August and the meeting will coincide with that. Both Committees will resume regular meetings in September.*
 - F. MCST – *The bid opening for the new building will be August 10th, at 2:00 PM and the MCST Board meeting will follow at 5:30 PM.*
11. Adjournment – *It was moved by Nancy Jeffers and seconded by Susan Allen Thomas to adjourn, at 7:06 PM.*