

**MINUTES**  
**RSU 13 SCHOOL BOARD MEETING**  
**THURSDAY – APRIL 5, 2018**  
**MCLAIN SCHOOL**  
**6:30PM**

**Executive Session – 6:00 PM**

1. Call to Order and Declaration of a Quorum – *Chair Andrews called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM and quorum was declared. Carol Bachofner, Gerald Weinand, Tom Peaco, Chair Andrews, Nancy Jeffers, Jason McLean, Vera Roberts, and Ron Gamage were present. Susan Allen Thomas was absent and one Thomaston seat remains unfilled.*
2. Executive Session
  - A. To enter Executive Session to discuss negotiations pursuant to 1 MRSA 405(6)(D) – *It was moved by Tom Peaco and seconded by Nancy Jeffers to enter into Executive Session to discuss negotiations pursuant to 1 MRSA 405(6)(D). The motion carried unanimously, of those present. Executive Session was entered at 6:00 PM and Chair Andrews declared the Board out at 6:30PM.*

**School Board Meeting – 6:30 PM**

3. Pledge of Allegiance – *The Pledge of Allegiance was conducted.*
4. Adjustments to the Agenda – **Business Item B. 1 - To acknowledge the appointment of Ashley Boden, Music Teacher at Cushing Community and Thomaston Grammar Schools; and Business Item J- Resolution to Authorize Signatories. See also bold and underlined.**
5. Public Participation: Citizens are welcome to speak to agenda matters before the Board (*up to 30 minutes total*) – *Wes Daggett, resident of Thomaston, and John Jeffers, resident of Rockland, both spoke in favor of Business Item 7. I. Rockland resident, Doug Curtis, also spoke in favor of Business Item 7. I. He also requested information on some of the efficiencies realized by the Siemen's project, and overcrowding issues at South School.*
6. Consent Agenda
  - A. Approval of the minutes of the meeting of March 1, 2018 – *Hearing no objections, the consent agenda was acknowledged.*
  - B. To acknowledge the retirement of:
    - (1) Anne Pietroski, Gifted and Talented Teacher, Oceanside High School, effective August 31, 2018
    - (2) Paul Desaulniers, Science Teacher, Oceanside High School, effective August 31, 2018
    - (3) Beverly Pacheco, Music Teacher, South School, effective August 31, 2018
    - (4) Kevin Martin, Guidance Counselor, Oceanside Middle School, effective August 31, 2018*It was moved by Ron Gamage and seconded by Nancy Jeffers to acknowledge the retirements of Anne Pietroski, Gifted and Talented Teacher, Oceanside High School; Paul Desaulniers, Science Teacher, Oceanside High School; Beverly Pacheco, Music Teacher, South School; and Kevin Martin, Guidance Counselor, Oceanside Middle School, effective August 31<sup>st</sup>, 2018. Motion carried unanimously, of those present, with many thanks to all for their years of service.*

## 7. Business Items

### A. To accept the resignation of:

- (1) James Boyd, Music teacher, Cushing Community School and Thomaston Grammar School, effective March 12, 2018
- (2) Smadar Calandri, Special Education teacher, Oceanside Middle School, effective August 31, 2018

*It was moved by Nancy Jeffers and seconded by Vera Roberts to accept the resignations of James Boyd, Music teacher at Cushing Community School and Thomaston Grammar School, effective March 12, 2018 and Smadar Calandri, Special Education Teacher, Oceanside Middle School, effective August 31, 2018. Motion carried unanimously, of those present.*

### B. To acknowledge the appointment of:

- (1) **Ashley Boden**, Music Teacher, Cushing Community School and Thomaston Grammar School – *It was moved by Carol Bachofner and seconded by Nancy Jeffers to acknowledge the appointment of Ashley Boden, Music Teacher, Cushing Community School and Thomaston Grammar School. Motion carried unanimously, of those present.*

### C. To undertake a first reading of Policy GCSB - Use of Social Media by School Employees – *It was moved by Tom Peaco and seconded by Carol Bachofner to undertake a first reading of Policy GCSB- Use of Social Media by School Employees. Gerald Weinand asked if this applies to coaches and other extra-curricular staff, as the policy as written refers to “school employees.” Edits were suggested and will be addressed in second reading. Motion carried unanimously, of those present.*

### D. To undertake a second reading of revised Policy JLCD – Administration of Medication to Students – *It was moved by Carol Bachofner and seconded by Tom Peaco to undertake a second reading of revised Policy JLCD- Administration of Medication to Students. Motion carried unanimously, of those present.*

### E. To adopt the 2018-2019 School Calendar – *It was moved by Tom Peaco and seconded by Ron Gamage to adopt the 2018 – 2019 School Calendar. Motion carried unanimously, of those present.*

### F. To appoint first year probationary teachers to a second year probationary contract effective September 1, 2018

*It was moved by Carol Bachofner and seconded by Nancy Jeffers to appoint the following first year probationary teachers to a second year probationary contract effective September 1, 2018:*

*Rachael Ahearn, Special Education Teacher, OMS; Shawn Anderson, Special Education Teacher, OHS; Karen Bode, Title 1A Interventionist, GBS; Rachel Brimer, French Teacher, OHS; Scott Browning, Student Support Coordinator, OHS; Aimee Campbell, Special Education Nurse, District; Nicholas Citriglia, Social Worker, OMS; Gabrielle Duke, Physical Education, SS; Jamie Eaton, Title 1A Interventionist, SS; Courtney Eudy, Kindergarten Teacher, SS; Hannah Faesey, Social Worker, OHS; Jessica Falconer, Social Worker, OHS; Alex Fayvil, Grade 6 Math, OMS; Mark Feldman, Special Education Teacher, SS; Christina Fish, Social Worker, SS; Holly Flanagan, Title 1A Interventionist, TGS; Jennifer Goode, Social Studies Teacher, OHS; Nathaniel Grade, Health Teacher, OHS; Becky Hallowell, Kindergarten Teacher, CCS; Catherine Harris, Grade 6 ELA Teacher, OMS; Melody Hasbrouck, Music/Band Teacher, GBS/OHCS; Colby Hill, Special Education Teacher, OMS; Amy Hufnagel, Social Worker, SS/TGS; Teresa Johnson, Special Education Teacher, SS; Meredith Joyce, School Nurse, TGS/CCS; Ashley Kangas, Special Education Teacher, TGS; Christa Kratowitz, Grade 4 Teacher; CCS; Nicholas LaBreck, Grade 5 Teacher, SS; Tara Oxley, School Nurse, District; Veronica Race, Transitional Grade 1 Teacher, SS; Linda Robbins, Grade 8 Science Teacher, OMS; Christine Roling, Pre-K Teacher, SS; Kenneth Russell, Computer Science Teacher, OHS; Katharine Selberg, Grade 1 Teacher, SS; Andrea Sgobbo-Garver, Special Education Teacher, OMS; Everett Smith, Grade 8 Science Teacher, OMS; Ellen Spring, Library/Media Specialist, OHS; Stefani Stevens, ELA Teacher, OHS; and Allison Ward, Math Teacher, OHS.*

*Motion carried unanimously, of those present.*

### G. To appoint second year probationary teachers to a third year probationary contract effective September 1, 2018

*It was moved by Carol Bachofner and seconded by Nancy Jeffers to appoint the following second year probationary teachers to a third year probationary contract effective September 1, 2018:*

*Shina Barrows, Special Education, SS; Cheryl Berry, Grade 4 Teacher, SS; Bethany Browne, Social Worker, District; Elizabeth Caron, Pre-K Teacher, SS; Lauren Casey, Music Teacher, OHS; Jaren Cowan, Art Teacher, OHS; Charlee Currier, Kindergarten Teacher, TGS; Heidi Gray, Grade 5 Teacher, SS; Katherine "Lily" Hyde, Art Teacher, OHS; Jeffrey Kinney, Math Teacher, OHS; William McClellan, Grade 8 Social Studies Teacher, OMS; Danielle McNichol, Grade 4 Teacher, SS; Heidi Taylor, Guidance Counselor, GBS/OHCS/SS; Katherine Warner, Kindergarten Teacher, SS; and Lyndsay Wood, Kindergarten Teacher, SS.*

*Motion carried unanimously, of those present.*

- H. To appoint third year probationary teachers to a continuing contract effective September 1, 2018 – *It was moved by Carol Bachofner and seconded by Nancy Jeffers to appoint the following third year probationary teachers to a continuing contract effective September 1, 2018.*

*Brittany Anthony, Grade 3 Teacher, TGS; Melissa Boggs, Gifted/Talented Teacher, District; Jean Bragan, Social Studies Teacher, OHS; Haley Brooks, Grade 2 Teacher, SS; David "Jake" Carlson, Special Education Teacher, SS; Emily Cashen, Science Teacher, OHS; Brianna Coburn, Math Teacher, OHS; Erin Elwell, Pre-K Teacher, OHCS; Kimberlee Hammond, Special Education Teacher, OHS; Nicole Hatch, Guidance Counselor, TGS; Courtney Leach, Special Education Teacher, TGS; Megan Marks, Grade 3 Teacher, SS; Janelle Miller, Grade 1 Teacher, CCS; Alyssa Mitchell, Grade 3 Teacher, SS; Nerin Moroney, Special Education Teacher, TGS; Bonnie Nielson, Gifted/Talented Teacher, District; Kelly Peavey, Grade 1 Teacher, SS; Sarah Schneider, Pre-K Teacher, OHCS; Graham Shove, Social Studies Teacher, OHS; and Richard Wehnke, Art Teacher, SS/OHCS.*

*Motion carried unanimously, of those present.*

- I. To authorize the Superintendent to engage in a partnership with the Rockland Police Department to establish the position of a School Resource Officer for Rockland area schools – *It was moved by Vera Roberts and seconded by Tom Peaco to authorize the Superintendent to engage in a partnership with the Rockland Police Department to establish the position of a School Resource Officer for Rockland area schools. Discussion ensued, and questions such as date parameters and funding were asked. Superintendent McDonald advised that he wasn't able to pursue anything further until the Board approved moving forward, but there are still many details that need to be worked out and Board approved. The motion passed 591 – 205, with Carol Bachofner and Jason McLean against, Susan Allen Thomas absent, and an unfilled Thomaston seat.*
- J. **Resolution to authorize signatories for scholarships** - *It was moved by Nancy Jeffers and seconded by Ron Gamage to authorize signatories for scholarships. Motion carried unanimously, of those present.*

8. Communications – *Communications included a letter from the Maine Principals' Association, naming Carla Myrick, Administrative Assistant at Cushing Community School, as MPA's Secretary of the Year. Superintendent McDonald then read a memo from The Center for Maine Contemporary Art inviting RSU 13 teachers to a "Teacher's Tea" April 12<sup>th</sup>, 2018, at 4:00PM. The final communication was a letter from the Maine Community Foundation informing Owls Head Central School Music Teacher Melody Hasbrouck that they have approved a grant for the "Let's Play Ukulele" project. The total grant amount was \$2323.75.*

## 9. Reports

- A. Report of the Superintendent – *Superintendent McDonald's report included an announcement that all RSU 13 schools will be implementing Restorative Practices in the 2018-2019 school year. Training schedules will be developed shortly. Next, he spoke about the tour of Ash Point Community School that both he and Nancy Jeffers attended on March 21<sup>st</sup>. Everything is coming along nicely, with full crews on site. Teachers are very excited. He closed his report with discussing the snow day make up plan. On the weeks prior to and following April vacation (April 9<sup>th</sup>- April 13<sup>th</sup> and April 23<sup>rd</sup> – April 27<sup>th</sup>), the school day will be increased by one full hour. This will make up 2 days. He has asked for a waiver from the Department of Education for two days as well. If the waiver is granted, the last day of school will be June 12<sup>th</sup>. If it is not, it will be June 14<sup>th</sup>.*

- B. Report of the Business Manager – *Business Manager not present, no report given.*
- C. Report of the Board Chair – *Chair Andrews began his report with a mention of Carla Myrick winning Secretary of the Year as well. He then talked about the School Resource Officer discussion earlier in the evening, saying it was a great one. Next, he spoke about a bill in the Legislature trying to eliminate proficiency-based diplomas. He reiterated that RSU 13 is committed to proficiency-based education, regardless of what happens with this bill. Next, he mentioned talk of the CDS model switching to the responsibility of the local school districts. Maine is one of the last states in the nation that doesn't already use this model. There is an opportunity for efficiencies, but concerns about funding. He concluded his report with an overview of the budget meeting schedule, which is also posted online.*

10. Committee Reports and Upcoming Meetings

- A. Curriculum & Technology – *Met March 26, 2018. Next meeting April 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2018 at 3:30 PM.*
- B. Student Engagement Task Force – *Met on April 2, 2018. Next meeting June 4<sup>th</sup>, 2018 at 3:00 PM.*
- C. Finance & Facilities – *Met April 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2018. Next meeting May 7<sup>th</sup>, 2018 at 5:00 PM. Budget meetings will be held every Monday, with the exception of school vacation week, at 5:00 PM.*
- D. Policy & Communications – *Met March 19, 2018. Next meeting is TBD.*
- E. Building Committee Reports from OMS/OHS and Ash Point Community School Committee Chairs – *OMS/OHS – OMS/OHS Building Committee met April 5<sup>th</sup>, 2018. Next meeting TBD.. No report on Ash Point Community School.*
- F. MCST – *Met March 28<sup>th</sup>, 2018. Next meeting April 25<sup>th</sup>, 2018, at 7:00 PM.*

11. Adjournment – *Nancy Jeffers moved to adjourn, at 8:00 PM.*