
MINUTES
RSU 13 SCHOOL BOARD MEETING
THURSDAY – SEPTEMBER 6, 2018
MCLAIN SCHOOL
6:30PM

1. Call to Order and Declaration of a Quorum – *Chair Andrews called the meeting to order and quorum was declared. Susan Allen Thomas, Tom Peaco, Jason McLean, Amy Williams-Beers, Vera Roberts, Nancy Jeffers, David Lewis, and Chair Andrews were present. Gerald Weinand joined the meeting at 6:40 PM. Carol Bachofner was absent.*
2. Pledge of Allegiance – *The Pledge of Allegiance was conducted.*
3. Adjustments to the Agenda – **Business Item A – *To approve the request to begin an exchange program at Oceanside Middle School. See also bold and underlined.***
4. Public Participation: Citizens are welcome to speak to agenda matters before the Board – *David Steeves spoke to Mandatory Community Service.*
5. Presentation
 - A. Exchange Program – *Bill Gifford & Kim Linden – Oceanside Middle School Principal William Gifford and 6th grade teacher Kim Linden gave a presentation regarding the Exchange Student Program that OMS is hoping to implement.*
6. Consent Agenda
 - A. Approval of the minutes of the meeting of August 2, 2018 – *Hearing no objections, the consent agenda was acknowledged.*
7. Business Items
 - A. **To approve the request to begin an exchange program – It was moved by Nancy Jeffers and seconded by Susan Allen Thomas to approve the request to begin an exchange program. Motion carried unanimously, of those present.**
 - B. To acknowledge the resignation of Amy Micklich, Speech/Language Pathologist – *It was moved by Nancy Jeffers and seconded by Susan Allen Thomas to acknowledge the resignation of Amy Micklich, Speech/Language Pathologist. Motion carried unanimously, of those present.*
 - C. To acknowledge the appointment of:
 - (1) Kelly Willis, Special Education, South School, beginning August 29, 2018
 - (2) Terry Costa, Social Studies, Oceanside High School, beginning August 29, 2018
 - (3) Jaime Gregory, School Nurse, South School, beginning August 29, 2018
 - (4) Lisa Eliot-Laamann, Social Worker, South School and Thomaston Grammar School, beginning August 29, 2018
 - (5) Katherine Stevens, Special Education Case Manager, beginning August 29, 2018
 - (6) Terri Church, Assistant Principal (one-year position), Oceanside High School
 - (7) Benjamin Baudanza-Sturks, Assistant Principal, South School

It was moved by Susan Allen Thomas and seconded by Nancy Jeffers to acknowledge the appointments of Kelly Willis, Special Education Teacher, South School; Terry Costa, Social Studies, Oceanside High School; Jaime Gregory, School Nurse, South School; Lisa Eliot-Laamann, Social Worker, South School and Thomaston Grammar School; Katherine Stevens, Special Education Case Manager, Oceanside High School, Oceanside Middle School, and Thomaston Grammar School; Terri Church, Assistant Principal (one-year position), Oceanside High School; and Benjamin Baudanza-Sturks, Assistant Principal, South School. Motion carried unanimously, of those present.

- D. To undertake a first reading of Policy KGA – *Facilities Naming* – *It was moved by Tom Peaco and seconded by Nancy Jeffers to undertake a first reading of Policy KGA – Facilities naming. Motion carried unanimously, of those present.*
 - E. To approve a request from the Oceanside Key Club to attend the annual leadership weekend in Freedom, NH, September 21-23, 2018 – *It was moved by Tom Peaco and seconded by Vera Roberts to approve a request from the Oceanside Key Club to attend the annual leadership weekend in Freedom, NH, September 21 – 23, 2018. Motion carried unanimously, of those present.*
 - F. To approve the *Specialized Riding for Focus Cycling Program* grant for Oceanside Middle School – *It was moved by Nancy Jeffers and seconded by Susan Allen Thomas to approve the Specialized Riding for Focus Cycling Program grant. It was moved by Tom Peaco to amend the motion to include the amount of the grant (\$500). The motion to amend was seconded by Nancy Jeffers. The amended motion carried unanimously, of those present.*
8. Communications - *None*
9. Reports
- A. Report of the Superintendent – *Superintendent McDonald gave his report. Highlights include: Opening day on September 4th, a delay in the opening of Ash Point Community School, and an update to the Strategic Plan Committee. Meetings are proposed for every other Monday.*
 - B. Report of the Business Manager – *Business Manager Peter Orne gave his report. Highlights include: Facilities updates, new Swift K-12 program being used instead of One Call Now; fiber optics installation at Ash Point and Thomaston Grammar; Just completed upgrading and installing fiber optics at Ash Point and TGS.*
10. Report of the Board Chair – *Chair Andrews gave his report. Highlights include: Pride in facilities projects, an update on the new Board Room at South School; Brianna Martin named as vista volunteer for Heroes’ project; an overview of the EduCare model; September Board Workshop will be on Proficiency Based Learning*
11. Committee Reports and Upcoming Meetings
- A. Curriculum & Technology – *Met August 27, 2018. Next meeting September 24, 2018, at 3:30 PM.*
 - B. Student Engagement Task Force – *Last met in June. No report. Next meeting October 1st, 2018 at 3:00 PM.*
 - C. Finance & Facilities – *No August meeting, no report. Next meeting date to be determined.*
 - D. Policy & Communications – *met on August 20, 2018. Next meeting September 17th, 2018, at 5:00 PM.*
 - E. Building Committee Reports from OMS/OHS and Ash Point Community School Committee Chairs – *No report*
 - F. MCST – *No report*
11. Adjournment – *It was moved by Tom Peaco to adjourn, at 7:35 PM.*