

RSU No. 5 Board of Directors Meeting  
Wednesday, April 25, 2018 – 6:30 p.m.  
Durham Community School - Cafeteria  
Meeting Minutes

4.A.

6:00 – 6:30 p.m. Dine and Discuss with Board members on FY19 Budget

(NOTE: These Minutes are not official until approved by the Board of Directors. Such action, either to approve or amend and approve, is anticipated at the May 9, 2018 meeting).

**CALLED TO ORDER:**

Chair Michelle Ritcheson called the meeting to order at 6:43 p.m.

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Kathryn Brown, Jeremy Clough, Candace deCsipkes, Jennifer Galletta, Naomi Ledbetter, John Morang, Michelle Ritcheson, Lindsay Sterling, Valeria Steverlynck, Madelyn Vertenten, Sarah Woodard. No Student Representative attended.

**MEMBERS ABSENT:**

**3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:**

**4. CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

**A. VOTED:** To approve the Minutes of March 21, 2018, March 28, 2018 and April 11, 2018 as presented barring any errors or omissions. (Woodard - Vertenten) (11 – 0)

**5. ADJUSTMENTS TO THE AGENDA:**

Item 6. FHS Odyssey of the Mind

Item 9. Bleachers for the Track and Field

**6. GOOD NEWS AND RECOGNITION:**

**A. FHS Odyssey of the Mind State Champions**

**VOTED:** To provide \$5,000 in funding for the first place Freeport High School Odyssey of the Mind Team to go to the World Finals. (Woodard - Sterling) (11 – 0)

**B. Durham Community School Update – Will Pidden**

**7. PUBLIC COMMENT:**

From Freeport: Carol Grimm, Kap Wallingford and Pam Barry-Santos

**8. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT:**

**A. Items for Information**

**1. District Happenings**

Retirement (at the end of the 2017-2018 school year)

-Patty McLaughlin – DCS 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Teacher

Resignation (effective March 23, 2018)

-Kate Papkee – FMS Ed Tech

**B. Administrator Reports**

**1. Finance – Michelle Lickteig**

**9. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

I move that the Board accept the bleacher bid submitted by Material Handling Sales, Inc and award the base bleacher contract to Material Handling Sales, Inc for a total base price of \$128,339 excluding additional necessary concrete slab work as determined by Carroll Associates, provided that this acceptance and award be subject to approval by the superintendent in consultation with legal counsel of a contract for that equipment and related installation work, and further provided that the superintendent is able to negotiate a price for the additional concrete slab work not to exceed \$17,500, or \$15,000 if this board accepts the additional bleachers add alternate.  
(Sterling - Steverlynck) (9 – 1 Brown) (1 Abstention - Vertenten - she is on the Tri-Town Track and Field Committee.)

I move that the Board accept the add alternate bid submitted by Material Handling Sales, Inc for additional bleachers and a press box and award that add alternate to Material Handling Sales, Inc, and that the additional bleachers and a press box add alternate be included in contract for bleacher equipment and related installation work, for a total contract price of \$229,297, including bleachers, additional seating and the press box but excluding additional necessary concrete slab work as determined by Carroll Associates and to be negotiated by the superintendent, provided that this acceptance and award be subject to approval by the superintendent in consultation with legal counsel of a contract for that equipment and related installation work.  
(Sterling – Galletta) (7 – 3 Ledbetter, Woodard, Brown (1 Abstention – Vertenten - she is on the Tri-Town Track and Field Committee.)

I move that the Board accept the add alternate bid submitted by Material Handling Sales, Inc for a press box and award that add alternate to Material Handling Sales, Inc, and that the press box add alternate be included in contract for bleacher equipment and related installation work, for a total contract price of \$199,297, including bleachers and the press box but excluding additional necessary concrete slab work as determined by Carroll Associates and to be negotiated by the superintendent, provided that this acceptance and award be subject to approval by the superintendent in consultation with legal counsel of a contract for that equipment and related installation work.

Amendment to motion:

(Steverlynck – Ledbetter) (3 – 7 deCsipkes, Morang, Brown, Sterling, Ritcheson, Clough, Galletta)  
(1 Abstention – Vertenten - she is on the Tri-Town Track and Field Committee.)

I move that the RSU be authorized to accept gifts from the Tri-Town Track and Field in the amount of up to \$150,000 for the bleacher [and press box] equipment project and that the superintendent be authorized to borrow up to \$73,000 from the capital reserve fund for cost of the contract for that equipment and installation work until those gifts are received.  
(Steverlynck – Sterling (9 – 1 Kate) (1 Abstention – Vertenten - she is on the Tri-Town Track and Field Committee.)

**10. NEW BUSINESS:**

**A. VOTED:** That pursuant to section 1485(4) of Title 20-A, the Finance Committee be authorized to transfer not more than 5% of the total appropriation for any cost center in the FY19 operating budget to another cost center or among other cost centers, provided that the total FY19 fiscal year operating budget shall not be increased by such transfers. (Steverlynck – Morang) (11 – 0)

**B. VOTED:** To employ Georgiana McAllister as a Literacy Strategist at Pownal Elementary School and Durham Community School for the 2018-2019 School year. (Ledbetter – Steverlynck) (11 – 0)

**C. VOTED:** To employ Maya Burns as a 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Teacher at Durham Community School for the 2018-2019 School year. (Steverlynck – Sterling) (11 – 0)

**D. VOTED:** To employ Caitlyn Hecox as a Speech Therapist at Morse Street School for the 2018-2019 School year. (Vertenten – Clough) (11 – 0)

**11. BOARD COMMENTS: (Reports from Sub-Committees)**

- A. Finance Committee
- B. Strategic Communications
- C. Policy Committee

**12. POLICY REVIEW:**

**A. VOTED:** To approve the 1<sup>st</sup> Read of Policy JFC – Dropout Prevention – Student Withdrawal from School. (Ledbetter – Clough) (11 – 0)

**TABLED** - IKAB – Grading System – Reporting Student Proficiency

**VOTED:** To continue the meeting after 10:00 p.m. (Steverlynck – Sterling) (10 – 1 Ledbetter)

**B. VOTED:** To approve the following Policies (2<sup>nd</sup> Read) (Vertenten – Woodard) (11 – 0)

IIB – Class Size

BEDBA – Agenda Format

IHBAI – Independent Educational Evaluations

**13. PUBLIC COMMENT:**

None

**14. EXECUTIVE SESSION: TABLED**

A. Consideration and approval to enter into Executive Session pursuant to 1 M.R.S.A § 405(6)(D) for the purpose of discussing Educator and Support Staff Negotiations for RSU No. 5.


**15. ACTION AS A RESULT OF EXECUTIVE SESSION: TABLED**

A. Consideration and approval to ratify the Coastal Education Association Bargaining Agreement July 1, 2018 – July 30, 2021.

B. Consideration and approval to ratify the Coastal Education Association For Educational Support Professional Unit Bargaining Agreement July 1, 2018 – July 30, 2020.

**16. ADJOURNMENT:**

**VOTED:** To adjourn at 10:26 p.m. (Steverlynck – Sterling) (11 – 0)

  
Becky J. Foley  
Superintendent of Schools