

RSU No. 5 Board of Directors Meeting  
Wednesday, May 11, 2016 – 6:30 p.m.  
Freeport High School - Library  
Meeting Minutes

6:00-6:30 p.m. Q&A with Board Members on FY17 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 June 8, 2016 meeting).

**CALLED TO ORDER:**

Chair Michelle Ritcheson called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Louise Brogan, Kathryn Brown, Jeremy Clough, Candace deCsipkes, Naomi Ledbetter, John Morang, Beth Parker, Brian Pike, Michelle Ritcheson, Lindsay Sterling, Valeria Steverlynck

**MEMBERS ABSENT:**

**III. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:**

**IV. ADJUSTMENTS TO THE AGENDA:**

**V. MINUTES:**

**VOTED: (1)** To approve the Minutes of Minutes of April 27, 2016 and May 4, 2016.  
(Pike – Brown) (11 – 0)

**VI. PUBLIC COMMENT:**

None

**VII. GOOD NEWS & RECOGNITION:**

A. Art Donation – Tom Edwards spoke about gifts of art for the RSU5 schools.

**VIII. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT:**

A. Items for Information

1. Proficiency Based Steering Committee Update
2. Correspondence from MDOE: Special Education Corrective Action Plan
3. *Superintendent's Update*, May 2016
4. Resignation of FHS Principal Brian Campbell

**IX. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

A. Update on Fields: Maintenance and Scheduling Calendar – Athletic Director Craig Sickels shared information regarding the costs associated with grass playing fields and projected costs for turf. Mr. Sickels also presented a draft schedule of field use.

**B. VOTED: (2)** To approve completing soil testing at Freeport High School at the request of and payment by the Tri-Town Track and Field committee. (Pike – Parker) (11 – 0)

**X. NEW BUSINESS:**

**A. 1. VOTED: (3)** To accept the nomination of the following personnel and to authorize the Superintendent of Schools to issue a contract for the 2016-2017 school year.  
(Steeverlynck – Brown) (11 – 0)

Educators for 2<sup>nd</sup> Year Probationary Contracts:

- A. Rocco Abbatemarco
- B. Kelly Barton
- C. Laura Bubar
- D. Jody Caulfield
- E. Brian Farley
- F. Tatiana Green
- G. Matt Halpern
- H. Cynthia Hjorth
- I. Cindy Kivler
- J. Ingrid Kupka
- K. Sarah Mason
- L. Heidi McCarthy
- M. Stephanie Merrill
- N. Heidi Miller
- O. Chelsea Morley
- P. Kaitlin Richwalder
- Q. David Whiting

**A. 2. VOTED: (4)** To accept the nomination of the following personnel and to authorize the Superintendent of Schools to issue a contract for the 2016-2017 school year.  
(Ledbetter – Sterling) (11 – 0)

Educators for 3<sup>rd</sup> Year Probationary Contracts:

- A. Margaret Chalmers
- B. Elizabeth Clark
- C. Susan Dee
- D. Patricia Francis
- E. James Gale
- F. Colleen Gridley
- G. Terrence Hickey
- H. Tess Hoffmann
- I. Lisa Hogan
- J. Halie Lyons
- K. Simon Skold
- L. Carolyn Vavro
- M. Paul White

- A. 3. VOTED: (5)** To accept the nomination of the following personnel and to authorize the Superintendent of Schools to issue a contract for the 2016-2017 school year.  
(Steverlynck – Clough) (11 – 0)

Educators for 1<sup>st</sup> Year Continuing Contracts:

- A. Trevor Bean
- B. Aja Darak
- C. Sarah Duffy
- D. Paige Fournier
- E. Timothy Grivois
- F. Jacqueline Hammond
- G. Natasha Jimenez
- H. Brooke Rich
- I. Alejandra Rodriguez
- J. Melanie Taylor
- K. Marcia Wood

- B. MLTI and Apple 2016 Refresh Options – Technology Director Seth Thompson reported the decision has been made to transition to laptops.

**XI. PUBLIC COMMENTS:**

None

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

- A. Strategic Communications – Candy deCsipkes provided a summary of the April 28, 2016 meeting.
- B. Update on Administrative Searches – Chair Ritcheson reported there are two administrative searches taking place, the FHS Principal and Superintendent.

**XIII. EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

- A. VOTED: (6)** To enter into Executive Session pursuant to 1 M.R.S.A § 405(6)(A): discussions relating to the appointment of officials. (Ledbetter – Pike) (11 – 0)

Time In: 8:01 p.m.

Time Out: 10:13 p.m.

**XIV. ACTION AS A RESULT OF EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

No action taken.

**XV. ADJOURNMENT:**

**VOTED: (7)** To adjourn at 10:14 p.m. (Ledbetter – Brown) (11 – 0)



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Edward R. McDonough  
Superintendent of Schools