

**RSU No. 5 Board of Directors Meeting
Wednesday, February 9, 2022
4:45 p.m. - Special Session
6:30 p.m. - Regular Session
Freeport High School – Cafeteria
Meeting Minutes**

(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 March 9, 2022 meeting).

1. CALLED TO ORDER:

Chair Michelle Ritcheson called the meeting to order at 4:49 p.m.

2. MEMBERS PRESENT: Colin Cheney, Jennifer Galletta, Susana Hancock, Elisabeth Munsen, Dung Nguyen, Jill Piker, Maura Pillsbury, Michelle Ritcheson, Valeria Steverlynck, Madelyn Vertenten, and Piper Williams, Student Representative.

MEMBERS ABSENT: Candace deCsipkes

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

4. TRAINING: 4:45 p.m. - 6:15 p.m.

Reducing Bias in the Hiring Process - Lawrence Alexander

5. CONSIDERATION OF MINUTES:

A. VOTED: To approve the minutes of January 26, 2022. (Cheney – Hancock) (10 – 0). The Student Representative voted with the majority.

6. ADJUSTMENTS TO THE AGENDA:

Addition of Item #7.B.

7. GOOD NEWS AND RECOGNITION:

A. Report from Board's Student Representative – Piper Williams

B. Covid Update - Cynthia Alexander

8. PUBLIC COMMENT:

Freeport - Reina Anderson, Jackie Priestly, Mary Richardson

Durham - Michelle Allen, Shannon Fitzpatrick

Pownal - Todd Mellin

9. REPORTS FROM SUPERINTENDENT:

None

10. ADMINISTRATOR REPORTS:

None

11. BOARD COMMENTS AND COMMITTEE REPORTS:

None

12. POLICY REVIEW:

None

13. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

A. Budget Review:

1. Budget Update – Cynthia Alexander
2. Instructional Support - Bonnie Violette
3. Pownal Elementary School – Lisa Demick
4. Morse Street School - Julie Nickerson
5. Durham Community School – Will Pidden

14. NEW BUSINESS:

None

15. PERSONNEL:

None

16. PUBLIC COMMENT:

Freeport - Jackie Priestly

17. ADJOURNMENT:

VOTED: To adjourn at 8:21 p.m. (Hancock – Piker) (10 – 0). The Student Representative voted with the majority.



Becky J. Foley, Superintendent of Schools