

RSU No. 5 Board of Directors Meeting
 Wednesday, January 27, 2016 – 6:30 p.m.
 Freeport High School - Library
 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 February 24, 2016 meeting).

CALLED TO ORDER:

Chair Michelle Ritcheson called the meeting to order at 6:31 p.m.

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

MEMBERS ABSENT: Kathryn Brown

III. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

IV. MINUTES:

A. VOTED: (1) To approve the Minutes of December 9, 2015 and January 13, 2016.
 (Morang – Pike) (10 – 0)

V. ADJUSTMENTS TO THE AGENDA:

Move item X. Unfinished Business after Public Comment

VI. GOOD NEWS & RECOGNITION:

A. Report from FHS Student Government - Senior Alston Lybolt provided the Board with an update on recent and upcoming events taking place at Freeport High School.

VII. PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Pat Palmer, Tri-Town Track and Field Safety Committee.

(Adjustment to the Agenda)

X. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

A. VOTED: (2) To approve postponing awarding of bids for field improvements at Freeport High School. (Morang – Steverlynck) (10 – 0)

VIII. SPECIAL PRESENTATION:

A. Presentation of Superintendent's 2016-2017 Recommended Budget – The Superintendent provided an overview of the recommended budget and timeline of the budget adoption process.

IX. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT:

A. Items for Information

1. *Board and Administrator*, January 2016
2. 2016-2017 Freeport High School Program of Studies.
3. FY 17 RSU5 Budget Timeline

4. Retirements (effective at the end of the 2015-2016 school year):

- a) Pam Davis – MSS Literacy Interventionist
- b) Donelle Nielsen – PES Administrative Secretary
- c) Lois Kilby-Chesley – MLS Classroom Teacher
- d) Amelia MacLeod – FMS Educational Technician
- e) Mary Jane Vermette – DCS Social Studies Teacher
- f) Betty Breton – DCS School Nutrition (effective 1/8/16)

B. Administrator Reports

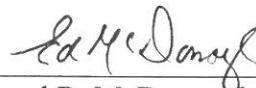
- 1. Durham Community School – Will Pidden, Principal: Mr. Pidden reported on the school SMART goals, PLC's, celebrations, and upcoming opportunities for students.
- 2. Pownal Elementary School – Lisa Demick, Principal: Ms. Demick reported on celebrations, upcoming events, PLC's and SMART goals.
- 3. Instructional Support – Bonnie Violette, Director: Ms. Violette reported on work to date on the Corrective Action Plan and a breakdown of Special Education students by disability.
- 4. Finance – Kelly Wentworth, Director

XI. BOARD COMMENTS (REPORTS FROM SUB-COMMITTEES:

- A. Finance Committee – John Morang provided a summary of the December 9, 2015 meeting.

XII. ADJOURNMENT:

VOTED: (3) To adjourn at 8:22 p.m. (Ledbetter – Pike) (10 – 0)



Edward R. McDonough
Superintendent of Schools