

**RSU No. 5 Board of Directors Meeting  
Wednesday, March 24, 2021 – 6:30 p.m.  
Freeport High School - Cafeteria / Hybrid Remote Meeting  
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 April 14, 2021 meeting).

**1. CALLED TO ORDER:**

Chair Michelle Ritcheson called the meeting to order at 6:36 p.m.

**2. MEMBERS PRESENT:** Jeremy Clough, Candace deCsipkes, Lindsey Furtney, Jennifer Galletta, Susana Hancock, Angela King-Horne, Elisabeth Munsen, Michelle Ritcheson, Valeria Steverlynck, Madelyn Vertenten, Liam Hornschild-Bear, Student Representative

**MEMBERS ABSENT:** Maura Pillsbury

**3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:**

**4. CONSIDERATION OF MINUTES:**

**A. VOTED:** To approve the minutes of March 10, 2021.

(Hancock – Munsen) (10 – 0) The student representative voted with the majority.

**5. ADJUSTMENTS TO THE AGENDA:**

Move Item #8.A.3 after Item #13.A.

**6. GOOD NEWS AND RECOGNITION:**

A. Portland Museum of Art National Youth Art Month Recipient

B. WMC Cheerleading Champions

C. Congressional Art Award Recipient

D. Report from Board's Student Representative - Liam Hornschild-Bear

**7. PUBLIC COMMENT:**

Freeport residents - Amanda Myers, Nancy Drolet, Phil DiRusso, Kate Smith

Pownal residents - Joe Les, Kerry Les

**8. REPORTS FROM SUPERINTENDENT:**

A. Items for Information

1. District Happenings

2. Resignations: Angela Sclar - FMS Nurse, Nate Walrath - FMS Ed Tech,  
Diane Atwood - Adult Ed Learning Lab Instructor, Devon Koenig - DCS ELA Teacher,  
Megan Bigelow, FHS Ed Tech

3. Budget Update - This item was moved after Item #13.A.

**9. PUBLIC INPUT:**

A. Public Input on the FY22 Budget

None

**10. ADMINISTRATOR REPORTS:**

A. Finance - Rick Kusturin

B. Update on FHS moving to five day a week in person learning.

**11. BOARD COMMENTS AND COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

**A. Board Information Exchange and Agenda Requests**

Jen Galletta reported Region Ten will hold a special Cooperative Board meeting on their FY22 budget on March 29, 2021.

**B. Finance Committee**

**C. Policy Committee**

**12. POLICY REVIEW:**

**A. VOTED:** To approve 1<sup>st</sup> Read of the following policies. (Hancock – Vertenten) (10 – 0) The student representative voted with the majority.

1. ACA - Gender Neutral Language

2. ADC - Tobacco Use and Possession

**B. VOTED:** To rescind policy CCA - Organizational Chart (Furtney – Hancock) (10 – 0) The student representative voted with the majority.

**13. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

**A. VOTED:** To revise the 2021-2022 school calendar. (Vertenten – Steverlynck) (10 – 0) The student representative voted with the majority.

**Item 8.A.3. was moved here**

Budget Update

**B. VOTED:** To adopt the Superintendent's FY22 Recommended Budget as presented. (Vertenten – Steverlynck) (10 – 0) The student representative voted with the majority.

**14. NEW BUSINESS:**

None

**15. PERSONNEL:**

None

**16. PUBLIC COMMENT:**

FHS Staff Members - Lisa Blier, Tim Grivois

**17. ADJOURNMENT:**

**VOTED:** To adjourn at 10:03 p.m. (King-Horne – Steverlynck) (10 – 0) The student representative voted with the majority.

  
Becky J. Foley, Superintendent of Schools