RSU No. 5 Board of Directors Meeting Wednesday, February 3, 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, 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. PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Kevin Nadeau, Durham; Tim Giddinge, Pownal; John Jaques, Freeport; John Egan, Freeport; Matt Russell, Freeport; Kristen Dorsey, Freeport; Dede Bennell, Freeport; Emily Carter, Freeport; Josh Olins, Freeport

VI. CORRESPONDENCE:

A. Letter from Kevin Nadeau

VII. NEW BUSINESS:

A. Moved by Pike, seconded by Brown to allow advertising banners on the FHS Outfield fence.

Amendment #1: Moved by Steverlynck to allow advertising banners on the FHS Outfield fence for the duration of one year (No Second)

Amendment #2: Moved by Brown, seconded by Sterling to allow advertising banners on the FHS Outfield fence for two years.

(410 – 588: deCsipkes, Morang, Parker, Ritcheson, Clough, Pike) Amendment Fails

Main Motion: **VOTED:** (1) To allow advertising banners on the FHS outfield fence. (10-1 Brown)

VIII. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

A. Moved by Parker, seconded by Ledbetter to rotate the location of the Annual Budget Meeting between the three towns beginning with 2016 at Durham Community School, 2017 at Pownal Elementary School, and 2018 at Freeport High School then back to Durham Community School.

Amendment #1: Moved by Pike, seconded by Brown to hold the 2016 Annual Budget Meeting at Durham Community School. (10 – 1 Morang) Amendment Passes

Main Motion as Amended: **VOTED:** (2) To hold the 2016 Annual Budget Meeting at Durham Community School. (606 – 392: Clough, Morang, Sterling, Steverlynck)

- B. Workshop: Budget Review
 - 1. Durham Community School Will Pidden
 - 2. Freeport Middle School Ray Grogan
 - 3. Freeport High School Brian Campbell

Principals discussed their budget requests in the 2016-2017 Superintendent's Recommended Budget.

C. Discussion on Open vs. Closed Warrant Articles – Board members discussed the Warrant Articles at the Annual Budget Meetings. This will be a voting item at the next meeting.

IX. ADJOURNMENT:

VOTED: (3) To adjourn at 9:45 p.m. (Parker – Steverlynck) (11 - 0)

Edward R. McDonough
Superintendent of Schools

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