

RSU No. 5 Board of Directors Meeting  
Wednesday, November 29, 2017 – 6:30 p.m.  
Durham Community 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 December 13, 2017 meeting).

**CALLED TO ORDER:**

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

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Kathryn Brown, Jeremy Clough, Candace deCsipkes, Naomi Ledbetter, John Morang, Michelle Ritcheson, Lindsay Sterling (arrived at 6:38 p.m.), Valeria Steverlynck, Madelyn Vertenten

Also in attendance was Carter Jedrey-Irvin, Student Representative.

**MEMBERS ABSENT:** Jennifer Galletta, Sarah Woodard

**3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:**

**4. CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

**A. VOTED:** To approve the Minutes of October 25, 2017 and November 8, 2017 as presented barring any errors or omissions. (Ledbetter – Steverlynck) (8 – 0). The student representative voted with the majority.

**5. ADJUSTMENTS TO THE AGENDA:**

Move Item 12.A. after Item 8.A.1.  
Add an Item 14. Executive Session

**6. GOOD NEWS AND RECOGNITION:**

A. Report from Board's Student Representative – Carter Jedrey-Irvin reported on happenings at Freeport High School.  
B. Good News from Durham Community School – Will Pidden spoke about school culture work on kindness.

**7. PUBLIC COMMENT:**

None

**8. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT:**

A. Items for Information

1. District Happenings

- Resignation – Keirstin Trefsgger – FHS Alternative Education Teacher (effective December 5, 2017).
- Retirement – Diane Whitmore – FHS World Languages Teacher (effective at the end of the 2017-2018 school year).

Item 12. A. Taken out of order

**12. A. VOTED:** To approve the 1<sup>st</sup> Read of the following Policy, with changes.

(Steverlynck – Sterling) (9 – 0). The student representative voted with the majority.

KF – Community Use of School Facilities

**B. Administrator Reports**

1. Finance – Michelle Lickteig
2. Pownal Elementary School Goal Review – Lisa Demick
3. Durham Community School Goal Review – Will Pidden

**9. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

**10. NEW BUSINESS:**

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

- A. Finance Committee
- B. Policy Sub-Committee

**12. POLICY REVIEW:**

- B. VOTED:** To approve the 2<sup>nd</sup> Read of the following Policies. (Steverlynck – deCsipkes) (9 – 0)
- EEBB – Use of Private Vehicles on School Business, with changes
- GCFB – Recruiting and Hiring of Administrative Staff

**13. PUBLIC COMMENT:**

None

A new Item 14 was added

**14. EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

**VOTED:** To enter into Executive Session to discuss a personnel matter pursuant to 1 M.R.S.A § 405(6)(A). (Sterling – Brown) (9 – 0)


Time In: 9:39 p.m.

Time Out: 10:28 p.m.

No action was taken as a result of Executive Session.

**15. ADJOURNMENT:**

**VOTED:** To adjourn at 10:29 p.m. (Sterling – Clough) (9 – 0)

  
Becky J. Foley  
Superintendent of Schools