RSU No. 5 Board of Directors Meeting
Wednesday, January 13, 2016 – 6:30 p.m.
Mast Landing 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 January 27, 2016 meeting).

CALLED TO ORDER:
Chair Michelle Ritcheson called the meeting to order at 6:32 p.m.

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

MEMBERS ABSENT: Kathryn Brown

III. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

IV. ADJUSTMENTS TO THE AGENDA:

V. SPECIAL PRESENTATION:
   A. Beth Willhoite: Teachers College Reading and Writing Workshop (Susan Dee & Bess Milligan)
      Ms. Dee and Ms. Milligan reported on what a Literacy Strategist does and how they support teachers in the classroom and through professional development.
   B. Tri-Town Track and Field Update: Fred Palmer & John Paterson
      Mr. Palmer and Mr. Paterson updated the Board on their fundraising efforts to date and asked the Board to defer accepting bids on field work until May/June. In addition, Beth Parker volunteered to be the Board liaison to the Tri-Town Track and Field Committee.
   C. FHS Building Project Quarterly Report: Lyndon Keck, PDT Architects
      Mr. Keck reported on the progress on the project. Some unsuitable soil has been removed and replaced. The sewer pipe work has been completed. Steel will be erected by Valentine’s Day.

VI. PUBLIC COMMENTS:
John Egan, Freeport

VII. SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT:
   A. Items for Information
      1. Joint Meeting Request: Durham, Freeport, Pownal, RSU5
      2. PBE Steering Committee
   B. Correspondence
      1. Letter from Talya Edlund
      2. Letter from William H. Beardsley, Acting Commissioner of Education
      3. Thank you to Tom Edwards for Pricewaterhouse Gift of Art

VIII. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

   A. VOTED: (1) To approve Policy IKF – Graduation Requirements (2nd Read/Adoption: Packet #3), with the following changes: clarification on Middle School students earning high school
credit throughout the policy and adding content areas are listed in the Program of Studies.
(Ledbetter – Pike) (10 – 0)

IX. NEW BUSINESS:

A. VOTED: (2) To approve the extension of the contract with Bo-Mar Transportation, Inc. for one year. (Pike – Parker) (10 – 0)

B. VOTED: (3) To approve an honorarium for Educators in the amount of $90 per day for summer institutes/classes. (Brogan – Sterling) (10 – 0)

X. WORKSHOP:
A. Report Out on Superintendent’s Entry Plan
   Superintendent McDonough reported on the outcomes of his Entry Plan including strengths of the district, priorities/challenges, recommendations, and expectations of the Superintendent.

XI. EXECUTIVE SESSION:

A. VOTED: (4) To enter into Executive Session pursuant to 1 M.R.S.A § 405(6)(D) for the purpose of discussing Administrator negotiations for RSU5. (Parker – Steverlynck) (10 – 0)

   Time In: 9:08 p.m.                  Time Out: 9:41 p.m.

XII. ACTION AS A RESULT OF EXECUTIVE SESSION:
No action taken.

XII. ADJOURNMENT:

VOTED: (5) To adjourn at 9:42 p.m. (Sterling – Ledbetter) (10 – 0)

Edward R. McDonough
Superintendent of Schools