RSU No. 5 Board of Directors Meeting
Wednesday, August 26, 2015 – 5:00 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 September 23, 2015 meeting).

CALLED TO ORDER:
Vice-Chair Michelle Ritcheson called the meeting to order at 5:06 p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Kathryn Brown, Candace Decsipkes, Nelson Larkins (arrived at 5:30 p.m.),
Naomi Ledbetter, John Morang, Beth Parker, Michelle Ritcheson, Brian Pike,
Lindsay Sterling, Valeria Steverlynck, Karin VanNostrand

MEMBERS ABSENT:

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

4. ADJUSTMENTS TO THE AGENDA:

5. PUBLIC COMMENTS:

6. SPECIAL PRESENTATION:

   A. Freeport High School Building Advisory Committee/PDT Architects Presentation

7. NEW BUSINESS:

   A. **VOTED:** (1) That, pursuant to sections 1747 and 1748 of Title 5 of the Maine Revised Statutes, this Board accept the reasoning, findings, and decisions of the Prequalification Subcommittee (the “Subcommittee”) of the RSU5 Building Committee regarding the prequalification of contractors for the Freeport High School Project at its meeting on August 12, 2015, as outlined in the report of the project architect dated August 13, 2015; that the submissions of the following contractors are found to be sufficient to satisfy the criteria to be prequalified and no others: Arthur C. Dudley Contractor/Builder, Inc., JCN Construction Co., Inc., Langford & Low, Inc., Ledgewood Construction, and The Sheridan Corporation; that the project architect be authorized to release plans and specifications only to these prequalified contractors; that the Superintendent be authorized to notify all relevant parties of this decision; and that all notifications previously sent by the Superintendent to contractors notifying them of the Subcommittee’s decisions be ratified and confirmed in all respects. (Brown – Pike) (10 – 0)

   B. **VOTED:** (2) To put the High School Building Project out to Bid to the Pre-qualified Contractors, on August 27, 2015. (Steverlynck – Morang) (10 – 0)

   C. **VOTED:** (3) To establish a Freeport High School Construction Team and appoint the members listed below: (Pike – Naomi) (10 – 0)

      1. Edward McDonough, Superintendent
      2. Dennis Ouellette, Director of Facilities and Transportation
      3. John Simoneau, Chair of the Freeport High School Building Advisory Committee
      4. Kelly Wentworth, Director of Finance and Human Resources

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D. VOTED: (4) To give the Superintendent authority to sign monthly pay requisitions and monthly individual change orders up to $30,000 and monthly aggregate change order amounts up to $50,000 for the Freeport High School Building Project. (Sterling – deCspikes) (10 – 0)

E. VOTED: (5) To approve the following stipend positions: (Pike – Ledbetter) (10 – 0)

1. FHS The Falcon Outlet (at the 4-5 point range)
2. FHS Operations Team - 5 positions (at the 2-3 point range)
3. FHS Advisory Coordinator - 2 positions (at the 4-5 point range)

8. PERSONNEL:

A. VOTED: (6) To approve an unpaid leave of absence for the 2015-2016 school year for David Watts. (Brown – Pike) (10 – 0)

B. VOTED: (7) To approve an unpaid leave of absence for the 2015-2016 school year for Jessica Kenlan. (Morang – Pike) (10 – 0)

C. VOTED: (8) To employ David Watts as the Director of Adult, Recreation, and Community Education for the 2015-2016 school year. (Pike – Parker) (10 – 0)

D. VOTED: (9) To employ Julie Nickerson as the Morse Street School Principal for the 2015-2016 school year. (Pike – Naomi) (10 – 0)

E. VOTED: (10) To employ Michael Lafortune as Interim Curriculum Director for the 2015-2016 school year. (Morang – Steverlynck) (10 – 0)

9. WORKSHOP:

A. Board Retreat

10. ADJOURNMENT:

VOTED: (11) To adjourn at 8:27 p.m. (Steverlynck – VanNostrand) (11 – 0)

Michael L. Lafortune
Interim Superintendent of Schools

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