

**MSAD #70 Board of Directors
School Board Meeting Minutes
September 11, 2006**

The MSAD #70 Board of Directors held their regular board meeting on Monday, September 11, 2006 in the central office boardroom. Chair, Estela Lane, called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Members Present: Tim Blanchette, Darlene Theriault, Melissa Ivey, William Fitzpatrick, Estela Lane, Darlene Scott-Rairdon, David Cassidy, Susan Clifford, Kim Hall, and Brenda White.

Members Absent: Bruce Malone, Kevin Scott.

Members Excused: Trudy O'Bar and Joel Oliver.

Also Present: Robert McDaniel and Susan Hawkes.

Staff Present: Clark Rafford, Frank Barton, Loreen Wiley, Mary Harbison, Cindi McNutt, Brenda Griffin, Fred Griffith, and Bernadette Willette.

Audience Present:

Presentations: Mr. Peter Davis, CPA, P.A. reviewed the audit for June 30, 2005 with the Board. He instructed the Board where they could find different information on the various reports. He encouraged the Board Members to contact him if they have any questions.

Public Comment:

None.

Approval of Minutes: Consider minutes of August 14, 2006.

It was moved by Melissa Ivey and seconded by Tim Blanchette to approve the minutes of August 14th, 2006.

Motion carried-unanimous.

Agenda Order and Adjustments:

Added to Action Item # 3: the hiring of three Ed Tech II's

Moved Information Item # 7 to Information Item #2

Added Information Item #10 and Information Item #11

Action Items:

Consider final reading of policies JHB-Truancy, GBGE-Return to Work and Light Duty Assignments, KND-Relation with Federal Government Authorities:

It was moved by Tim Blanchette and seconded by Melissa Ivey to accept the final reading of Policies: JHB-Truancy, GBGE-Return to Work and Light Duty Assignments, KND-Relation with Federal Government Authorities.

Motion carries-unanimous.

Consider the approval of the Snowplow Contract for 2006-2007:

It was moved by Tim Blanchette and seconded by Melissa Ivey to accept the Snowplow contract for 2006-2007 with Robert O. Quint.

Motion carried-unanimous.

Consider the Superintendent's recommendation and authorize the Superintendent to employ the following:

It was moved by Tim Blanchette and seconded by Kim Hall to accept the Superintendent's nomination of Clarissa Porter for the Bus Driver position, Arlene Long for a Bus Driver position, Ryan Cleary for the Custodian position, Fred Griffith for the High School Special Education Teacher position for a one year term, Dina Goodall as an Ed Tech II, Cynthia Willette as an Ed Tech II, and Ann Taylor as a Title 1 Ed Tech II part-time position.

Motion carried-unanimous.

Elect a Delegate for the MSBA Annual Delegate Assembly:

There were no volunteers.

Information Items:

October's Regular School Board meeting date:

The next regular school board meeting date falls on Columbus Day. The Superintendent has suggested moving the regular meeting to the following Monday, October 16th at 7:00 PM.

MSMA Tabor, An Act to Create the Taxpayer Bill of Rights:

Superintendent, Robert McDaniel and Chairman of Board, Estela Lane attended a meeting in Augusta on September 6, 2006.

Bob felt that the Towns and Schools would lose local control if the Tabor initiative was enacted. The Drummond and Woodsum Law Office found it to be cumbersome, laborious, and confusing.

Estela Lane felt that TABOR's budgeting and voting requirements would affect towns, schools, counties and utility districts and have a very negative impact.

There will be an informational meeting on the TABOR initiative at the Northern Maine Community College in Presque Isle on Thursday, September 21,st at 6:30 p.m.

MEA and CAT scores:

Loreen Wiley informed the Board that, overall, the test scores were up from last year and have met adequate yearly progress. One area that she is concerned with is math. Superintendent McDaniel suggested calling Dan Hubb and possibly viewing a math program/curriculum from another school. Another possibility would be to hire a consultant.

Title II Grant in partnership with UMPI: Content Literacy Learning Communities:

MSAD 70, CSD 9, and MSAD 14 have partnered with UMPI to examine and analyze the areas of need. Their objective is to increase student achievement in reading and writing in grades 4-12.

First Reading on listed Policies:

- GCSA-Employee Computer and Internet Use
- GCSA-R-Employee Computer and Internet Use Rules
- IJNDB-Student computer and Internet Use
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- JFCK-R Student Use of Cellular Telephones and Other Electronic Devices

These policies will be reviewed by the Technology Committee. One area of concern was students bringing their own laptops into school.

Safety Works-Maine Department of Labor:

Superintendent McDaniel invited Safety Works to conduct a safety and health consultation visit of our facilities. Safety Works has presented Mr. McDaniel with a list of identified hazards for correction. The Superintendent will be meeting regularly with the Maintenance Team. This will be a priority.

August Financial Statement:

Resignation of Bus driver, Lynn Bubar, has been accepted.

Resignation of Custodian, Peter Kinney, has been accepted.

Hiring of long term substitutes:

Presently, there are 2 Teachers and 2 Ed Techs out with either an illness or surgical needs. The District will need to hire long term substitutes in their absence. We wish them all a speedy recovery.

The Transportation Director would like to put 3 buses and 1 lawnmower out to bid:

- 94 Ford bus
- 91 International bus
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- 89 Bolen riding lawnmower (doesn't run)

Administrator Reports:

Senior Class will be hosting an ATV fun run on Oct 15th. Coffee and donuts will be served. No time given.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:43 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Robert McDaniel
Superintendent