

**MSAD #70 Board of Directors
School Board Meeting Minutes
November 13, 2006**

The MSAD #70 Board of Directors held their regular board meeting on Monday, November 13, 2006 in the central office boardroom. Chair, Estela Lane, called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Members Present: Trudy O'Bar, William Fitzpatrick, Tim Blanchette, Darlene Scott-Rairdon, Melissa Ivey, Estela Lane, David Cassidy, Susan Clifford, Kim Hall, Kevin Scott, Joel Oliver and Brenda White.

Members Absent: Bruce Malone.

Members Excused: Darlene Theriault.

Also Present: Robert McDaniel and Susan Hawkes.

Staff Present: Clark Rafford, Mary Harbison, Brian Fitzpatrick, Kara Wright, Bernadette Willette, Dave Minzy, Barb Mooers, Janna Condon and Beth Moore.

Audience Present: Meghan York, Sara Brewer, Dayna Tidd, and Dave Winship.

Presentations: Kara Wright, JMG Coordinator, Tom Hartt, JMG District Manager, and JMG students Sara Brewer and Dayna Tidd, did a presentation on the JMG program and how it benefits our District. It was a very informative presentation.

Public Comment:

None.

Approval of Minutes: Consider minutes of October 16, 2006.

It was moved by Melissa Ivey and seconded by Kim Hall to approve the minutes of October 16th, 2006.

Motion carries-unanimous.

Agenda Order and Adjustments:

Move the executive session to the end

Action Item #4: Senior Class Trip

Action Item #5: Learning Center position

Information Item # 1A: Parent, David Winship, would like to discuss a bus route with a daycare drop-off concern

Information Item #12: Superintendent vacation days

Action Items:

Consider the final reading of policies GCSA-Employee Computer and Internet Use, GCSA-R Employee Computer and Internet Use Rules, IJNDB-Student Computer and Internet Use, IJNDB-R Student Computer and Internet Use Rules

It was moved by Trudy O'Bar and seconded by Tim Blanchette to accept the final reading of policies GCSA-Employee Computer and Internet Use, GCSA-R Employee Computer and Internet Use Rules, IJNDB-Student Computer and Internet Use, IJNDB-R Student Computer and Internet Use Rules.

Motion carries-unanimous.

Consider the approval of the Superintendent's nomination of two ed techs, one middle school basketball coach and a JV basketball coach

It was moved by Joel Oliver and seconded by Trudy O'Bar to accept the Superintendent's nomination of Karla Harrison, Ed Tech II, Sara Wallace, Ed Tech III, Evan Carter, middle school boy's basketball coach and Brad Chiasson, JV boy's basketball coach.

Motion carries-unanimous.

Consider the approval of accepting the highest bid offer on the sale of three buses and one lawn tractor

It was moved by Melissa Ivey and seconded by Trudy O'Bar to accept the highest bid offers on the sale of three school buses and one lawn tractor.

Motion carries-unanimous.

Consider the approval of the Senior Class Trip

It was moved by William Fitzpatrick and seconded by Kim Hall to authorize Mrs. Barb Mooers to proceed with the Senior Class trip itinerary as proposed at this time.

Motion carried-unanimous.

Consider the approval of partial funding of the Learning Center

It was moved by William Fitzpatrick and seconded by Melissa Ivey to make the commitment to support 50% of the Learning Center Supervisor's salary and benefits.

Motion carries-unanimous.

Consider entering into executive session pursuant to 1 MRSA 450 (6)(A) (preliminary discussion on teacher's negotiations)

It was moved by Melissa Ivey and seconded by Trudy O'Bar to enter into executive session pursuant to 1 MRSA 450 at 9:26 p.m.

Motion carries-unanimous.

Consider exiting executive session pursuant to 1 MRSA 450 (6)(A) (preliminary discussion on teacher's negotiations) at 10:02 p.m.

Motion carries-unanimous.

No action was taken.

Information Items:

Accept the resignation of board member, Trudy O'Bar, with regret.

First reading on JFCK-R Student Use of Cellular Telephones and Other Electronic Devices

Board decided to send this policy back to the Technology committee for review. The main area of concern is that they would like the students to be able to bring their personal laptops to school.

Superintendent McDaniel informed the board that we do not have coverage for students' personal laptops and we also are not covered for the school's laptops off school grounds

Superintendent McDaniel discussed with the Board the need for lock down procedures

Superintendent McDaniel has met with the administrators concerning school safety. Both buildings will lock all doors, except for the main entrance. People entering the buildings must report to the office. Visitors, substitute teachers and volunteers must log in and receive a pass.

Both schools are in the process of practicing emergency procedures.

Conference schedules

Pre K-5 grade student conferences will be held on 11/20/06 from 12:00-8:00 p.m. Students in grades 6-12 will be in school all day.

Conferences for 6-12 grade students will be held on 11/21/06 from 12:00-8:00p.m. Students in grades K-5 will attend school all day.

Superintendent's evaluation:

Superintendent McDaniel requested that the Board meet with him to discuss his progress and any concerns or areas they feel needs addressing. The Board suggested having an Administration Committee meeting to establish the best way to evaluate the Superintendent.

A board governance/self assessment workshop:

Estela Lane presented information to the board about a clinic she attended at the Superintendents' Conference in Augusta. The clinic was put on by Starboard, a leadership consultant. They work with boards to help clarify roles and responsibilities and to strengthen board governance. The cost to the district is approximately \$1500.00 to \$2,500.00.

Superintendent McDaniel will see if there is grant money available that will support this endeavor if the board chooses to go forward.

October Financial Statement:

Dave Cassidy was concerned with the Technology lines being depleted so early in the year. He asked why the Special Education Administration line was short and also wanted to know if it was normal for so much to be spent out of the Elementary general supply line by this stage of the year.

On the Special Education Administration line I had moved Cindi McNutt's salary to that line after the budget process was complete, however, on the Special Ed Teacher Salary line we will be under budget..

The Technology line is low as we purchased as many laptops as possible at the beginning of the year.

On the Elementary general supplies line we are at the same place as we were last year.

Administrator Reports:

The meeting was adjourned at 10:02 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Robert McDaniel
Superintendent