

**MSAD #70 Board of Directors  
School Board Meeting Minutes  
March 12, 2007**

The MSAD #70 Board of Directors held their regular board meeting on Monday, March 12, 2007 in the central office boardroom. Chair, Estela Lane, called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Members Present: Meg Scott, Tim Blanchette, Melissa Ivey, Estela Lane, David Cassidy, Susan Clifford, Kevin Scott, Joel Oliver, Darlene Theriault, Kim Hall, Billy Fitzpatrick and Brenda White.

Members Absent: Donald Pond.

Members Excused: Darlene Scott-Rairdon.

Also Present: Robert McDaniel and Susan Hawkes.

Staff Present: Clark Rafford, Mary Harbison, Dave Minzy, Loreen Wiley, Cindi McNutt, Bernadette Willette, Beth Moore, and Ron Murray.

Audience Present: Danette Ellis, Deb Lunn, Julie Chapela, Heather McGuire, Shelly Sylvester, Jodi Wellington and John White.

**Presentations:**

**Public Comment:**

**Approval of Minutes:** Consider minutes of February 12, 2007.

It was moved by Melissa Ivey and seconded by Tim Blanchette to approve the minutes of February 12th, 2007.

Motion carries-unanimous.

**Agenda Order and Adjustments:**

Moved the two executive sessions to the end of the meeting.

Add Action Items#3: Consider for approval the Superintendent's recommendation of hiring and Ed Tech. This is for a one on one position.

Add Action Item #4: Consider for approval the French Class trip to Quebec from June 1-3.

Add Information Item 1a: Dave Minzy, Athletic Director, needs School Board members to serve on an interview committee.

**Action Items:**

Consider for approval the Superintendents recommendation of Kelly Larson as an Ed Tech II.

It was moved by Tim Blanchette and seconded by Billy Fitzpatrick to accept the Superintendents nomination of Kelly Larson as an Ed Tech II.

Motion carries-unanimous.

Consider for approval French Class trip to Quebec.

It was moved by Darlene Theriault and seconded by Meg Scott to approve the class trip to Quebec.

Motion carries-unanimous.

Consider entering into Executive session pursuant to 1 M.R.S.A. 405(6)(A) Employment of officials/appointees/employees.

It was moved by Melissa Ivey and seconded by Darlene Theriault to enter into executive session pursuant to 1 M.R.S.A.405(6)(A) Compensation of officials/appointees/employees at 8:20 p.m.

Motion carries-unanimous.

It was moved by Tim Blanchette and seconded by Darlene Theriault to exit Executive session pursuant to 1M.R.S.A.405(6)(A) at 8:55 p.m. No action was taken.

Motion carries-unanimous.

Consider entering into Executive session pursuant to 1 M.R.S.A. 405(6)(A) Compensation of officials/appointees/employees.

It was moved by Melissa Ivey and seconded by Tim Blanchette to enter into executive session pursuant to 1 M.R.S.A. Employment of officials/appointees/employees.

Motion carries-unanimous.

It was moved by Melissa Ivey and seconded by Tim Blanchette to exit executive session at 8:59 p.m. No action was taken.

### **Information Items:**

Update on Basketball program for 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> grades.

Parents of the Hodgdon Rec 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> grade Basketball program have requested the school consider taking the program back. They have met with the Selectmen of Hodgdon and the Town agrees the best place for the Basketball program is in the school.

Board Chair, Estela Lane explained that we have not received the budget figures from the State. We need to obtain the necessary budget information from the state before any decision can be made.

#### Review on Consolidation.

Education committee has distributed to the Appropriation and Financial Affairs Committee on March 8<sup>th</sup>:

1. Regionalization Plan-Outlines Education Committee Recommendation
2. Incentive Plan for Consolidation submitted by Senator Peter Mills
3. Department of Education document-Gives the DOE projections on how to achieve savings through the governor's Consolidation Plan.

The Education Committee is going to work on translating their "plan" into legislative language this week.

#### Review on Collaboration.

March 13, 2007 Board members and town officials will meet at the Save building with Mary Jane.

March 14, 2007 High school students will meet at the Save building with Mary Jane.

March 19, 2007 Mary Jane will gather consolidation ideas from area business at the Rotary Meeting.

March 20, 2007 Meeting with area Superintendents, present summaries of data, goal to identify top ten ideas to be pursued in the next phase.

#### Technology Committee Report.

Review the student cell phone policy.

#### Auditor's Report.

On the audit report it was noted that not all payroll time sheets were signed by a supervisor. A memo will be issued letting the employees know of our new procedure in obtaining the required signature.

It was also noted on the auditor's report that the credit cards were not always paid in time costing the District finance charges. The Central Office is going to try and keep credit card purchases to a minimum and paid in full each month to avoid finance charges.

#### Review February Financial Statement.

It was noted that the Budget is low for this time of year. Superintendent McDaniel has put a freeze on spending at this time.

Administrator Reports:

Policy Committee meeting March 20, 2007 at 6:30 p.m.

District Goal Setting Committee was formed with Meg Scott, Melissa Ivey, and Brenda White serving on this Committee.

Brenda White and Estela Lane volunteered to serve on the interview committee to interview for coaches.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:00 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Robert McDaniel  
Superintendent