

**MSAD #70 Board of Directors
School Board Meeting Minutes
May 14, 2007**

The MSAD #70 Board of Directors held a regular board meeting on Monday, May 14, 2007 in the central office boardroom. Chair, Estela Lane, called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Members Present: Meg Scott, Angela Howland, Tim Blanchette, Melissa Ivey, Estela Lane, David Cassidy, Susan Clifford, Kevin Scott, Joel Oliver, Kim Hall, Darlene Scott-Rairdon and William Fitzpatrick

Members Absent: none

Members Excused: Brenda White and Darlene Theriault

Also Present: Robert McDaniel and Susan Hawkes

Staff Present: Clark Rafford, Bernadette Willette, Karen Rochford, Ruth Stewart, Vivian Hynick, Larry Little, Frank Barton, Mary Harbison, Dave Minzy, Loreen Wiley, Cindi McNutt, and Maryanne Sylvain

Audience Present: Cailan Barton.

School Psychologist, William O'Connell sent muffins and coffee to the Board as an appreciation gift.

Presentations:

Public Comment: Karen Rochford expressed her concerns on eliminating the keyboarding position. She explained that it was not **Just Keyboarding** that the Board would be eliminating. a lot of other services that are incorporated in this position.(PowerPoint, excel, word, to name a few) She expressed the need to keep students prepared to face the ever-changing challenges of the business world and felt eliminating this position would be a step backwards. Larry Little, reiterated the same concerns as Karen Rochford. He also quoted the purpose of MSAD #70 is to give graduates the tools to develop and succeed in the life goals, eliminating this position would be taking tools to develop and succeed away. Vivian Hynick expressed that a lot of the work being done by students requires keyboarding knowledge and also for the assessment testing by students on the computer.

Ruth Stewart was worried about the future of our students in this business oriented world without the keyboarding position.

Approval of Minutes: Consider minutes of April 23, 2007.

It was moved by Melissa Ivey and seconded by Tim Blanchette to approve the minutes of April 23, 2007.

Motion carries-unanimous.

Agenda Order and Adjustments:

Action Items: Set a date for the Public Hearing and District Budget Meeting.

Move the Executive Sessions to the end of the meeting.

Action Items:

Consider for approval the renewal of the probationary, first year continuing, and second year continuing and professional contracts.

It was moved by Melissa Ivey seconded by Joel Oliver to accept the renewal of the probationary, first year continuing, second year continuing and professional contracts.

Motion carries 11 in favor-1 abstention.

Consider for approval the final reading on Rules for Using Personal Devices/Computers, District Web site Policy, and Policy DKC: Expense authorization and reimbursement.

It was moved by Melissa Ivey and seconded by Joel Oliver to accept the final reading on Rules for Using Personal Devices/Computers, District Web site Policy and Policy DKC: Expense Authorization and Reimbursement.

Motion carries unanimous.

Consider for approval the 2007-2008 Budget.

It was moved by Joel Oliver and seconded by David Cassidy to accept the 2007-2008 budget.

Motion carries unanimous.

Consider for approval the elimination of the position of Keyboarding.

It was moved by Joel Oliver and seconded by Melissa Ivey to eliminate the position of keyboarding.

Motion carries 11 in favor 1 abstention.

Consider for approval to terminate the contract of the Keyboarding position.

It was moved by Joel Oliver and seconded by Melissa Ivey to terminate the contract of the keyboarding position.

Motion carries 11 in favor 1 abstention.

Consider entering into executive session pursuant to 1 M.R.S.A. 405(6)(D) Labor contract negotiation with the Teamsters Union.

It was moved by Melissa Ivey and seconded by Angela Howland to enter into executive session pursuant to 1 MRSA 405 6D Labor contract negotiations with the Teamsters Union at 8:16 pm.

Motion carries unanimous.

Consider exiting executive session pursuant to 1 MRSA 405(6)(D) Labor contract negotiation with the Teamsters Union at 8:36 pm

It was moved by Melissa Ivey and seconded Angela Howland to exit executive session pursuant to 1 MRSA 405 (6)(D) Labor contract negotiation with the Teamsters Union at 8:36 pm.

Motion carries unanimous.

Consider entering into executive session pursuant to 1MRSA 405(6)(E) Settlement offers.

It was moved by Melissa Ivey and seconded by Tim Blanchette to enter into executive session pursuant to 1 MRSA 405 (6) (E) Settlement offers at 8:40 pm.

Motion carries unanimous.

Consider exiting executive session pursuant to 1MRSA 405 (6)(E) Settlement offers.

It was moved by Melissa Ivey and seconded by Tim Blanchette to exit executive session pursuant to 1 MRSA 405 (6)(E) Settlement offers at 8:46 pm.

Motion carries unanimous.

Information Items:

Review April Financial Statement.

Sonya Swallow awarded Wal-Mart Teacher of the Year. Congratulations.

Mr. McDaniel addressed the proposal of Amity and Haynesville joining MSAD #14. He suggested anyone from those Towns would opposes the suggested proposal should contact Norm Higgins at (207)624-6638.

Band Teacher Amy Webb has submitted her resignation; Superintendent McDaniel has accepted the resignation with regret.

Set a date for the public hearing and district budget meeting. June 5th, 2007 at 7:00 pm for the public hearing and June 27th at 7 pm for the district budget meeting.

Maine School Management Assoc will provide Board orientation training July 10th and 11th.

Administrator Reports:

The Junior Class students will receive two days off, May 24th and 25th, for participating in the SAT testing.

Jason Beaulieu received student of the Year.

Jamie Palmer won the ATV that was raffled.

Superintendent McDaniel, updated the Board on the proposed consolidation.

Parent Teacher Conferences June 1st for grades K-5.

6-8 grades Teachers to meet with parents as needed.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:00 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Robert McDaniel
Superintendent