

Maine School Administrative District No. 49

School Board Meeting Minutes

8 School Street, Fairfield, ME 04937
207-453-4200

MINUTES

May 3, 2018

A meeting of the M.S.A.D. #49 Board of School Directors was held on May 3, 2018 at Lawrence Junior High School.

1. The school board meeting was called to order by Chair, Shelley Rudnicki, at 7:00 p.m.

2. Roll Call & Declaration of Quorum

Boutin	: Present	Flood-Gerow	: Present	Michaud	: Present
Boyden	: Absent	Knox	: Present	Rudnicki	: Present
Caverly	: Present	Kugelmeyer	: Present	Toto-Lawrence	: Present
Chesley	: Absent	Liberty	: Present		
Dumont	: Absent	Martin	: Present	Student Short	: Present

Pledge of Allegiance

3. Approval of Minutes

18-05-01

Motion by Ms. Boutin, 2nd by Mr. Michaud to vote to accept the minutes from the April 12, 2018 board meeting. Passed: 8-0-2.

4. Citizen Input

Mr. Martin was happy to report that donations for the food pantry include \$5,000 from the VFW and \$3,000 from the Alumni Association. An additional \$3,600 is still needed. Ms. Rudnicki reminded everyone to participate in the box tops for education program and to continue donating to the Bulldog Clothes Closet for grades K-12.

5. Student Report

LHS spring sports have started. JMG had their closing ceremony on May 2. The National Honor Society held their induction ceremony on May 1 with a total of 24 inductees. The music department is planning an awards ceremony for May 7 and Allstate Music Festival is planned for May 17-19 at the University of Maine.

6. Old Business

7. New Business

18-05-02

Motion by Ms. Kugelmeyer, 2nd by Ms. Boutin to vote to accept the 2018-19 school calendar as presented. Passed: 9-1-0.

18-05-03

Motion by Ms. Kugelmeyer, 2nd by Mr. Michaud to vote that the board sign 5 notices of amounts adopted, 5 warrants to call the district budget meeting and 12 warrants for the budget validation, referendum and authorize the director of business and finance to make the required number of certified copies that are needed for posting in the town. 10-0-0.

18-05-04

Motion by Mr. Liberty, 2nd by Ms. Boutin to vote to: “Vote to Call and Approve the Warrants for the Budget Meeting and the Validation Referendum and to Authorize the Notice of Amounts Adopted,” be approved in form presented to this meeting and that a copy of said Vote be included with the minutes of this meeting.

VOTE TO CALL AND APPROVE THE WARRANTS FOR THE BUDGET MEETING
AND THE VALIDATION REFERENDUM
AND TO AUTHORIZE THE NOTICE OF AMOUNTS ADOPTED

VOTED: That the warrant for the Maine School Administrative District No. 49 (the “District”) Budget Meeting presented to the meeting be approved and that a District budget meeting be called for May 15, 2018 for the purpose of voting on the annual budget for the District for the 2018-2019 fiscal year;

That the Warrant and Notice of Election for the District Budget Validation Referendum presented to the meeting be approved, and that a District budget validation referendum be called for June 12, 2018 for the purpose of approving the budget adopted at the District budget meeting for the 2018-2019 fiscal year and considering whether to continue the budget validation referendum process; and That the form of Notice of Amounts Adopted at Budget Meeting presented to this meeting be approved, and that the Superintendent of Schools of the District be authorized and directed to complete said Notice in accordance with the District budget meeting on May 15, 2018, and to cause copies of said Notice, as completed, to be delivered to the municipal clerks of each municipality of the District for posting at the polling places for the June 12, 2018 District budget validation referendum. Passed: 11-0-0.

Resignations:

Carmen Foster, Food Service, Retirement August 2018

Appointments:

8. Committee Reports

The facilities committee met earlier in the day to review the impact of the delayed start in the school day for grades 7-12. With the current size bus fleet we would not be able to maintain the current elementary schedule. An additional bus would improve the situation, but still would have some very

tight times between the secondary and elementary runs. The committee also reviewed the status of bids for a generator at Benton Elementary School.

Mr. Martin reported that he and Mr. Michaud had attended the year-end recognition program the previous evening for the Jobs for Maine Grads. The program is growing and the students have taken on the back pack food program as a JMG project for next year. He commended them for their help on the food pantry.

9. Superintendent's Report

The superintendent commended the staff and students on their response during the recent area manhunt. The lock out system was operational and diligence by everyone reflected a calm and appropriate reaction. Dr. Baker also noted that the buzz-in system at the Lawrence Complex is operational. Buzz-in entries are located at the high school and junior high main entrances, the high school annex, Williamson Auditorium and cafeteria. The system is synched with the bell schedule at the high school and doors at the junior high remain locked throughout the day.

Dr. Baker reminded everyone that the district award nomination forms are now available. The board determined that the board award committee will meet at 4:30 on May 24 in the Superintendent's Office.

Superintendent noted the 2018-2019 budget booklets are ready and will be delivered to the post office by the end of today for mailing to district citizens.

Dr. Baker commended the very hard work by teachers and administrators from across the district to validate proficiency assessments. The ELA and math review committees met for round two on Wednesday and the science committee reviewed assessments Thursday at a daylong meeting.

Dr. Baker reported that the bus driver training course will not go forward because the costs are too expensive for upfront payment for prospective drivers. He recommended that the district review options and state funding that may be available to defray costs.

Superintendent Baker noted that June 20 will be the likely last day of school for students with the date possibly changing to the 19th.

The Legislature adjourned without agreeing on distribution of state subsidy for 2018-19. Consequently, districts might not receive subsidy payments for July and August unless the state takes further action. The District of Education notified the districts today that they may distribute smaller subsidy checks to cover expenses for those two months.

Principal Wedge reported that 87% of families attended the student-led conferences. Benton received a \$1000 prize from Hannaford Helps as a result of being the highest participant in their program of all area schools. This is in addition to dollars that they earned.

Principal Boynton reported Lawrence alum Dan Dangler donated 20 pairs of softball pants, 25 pairs of game socks and two pairs of cleats the LJHS to use this spring. May 9 the junior high social studies team will host social studies night in the gym. Eighth graders have chosen a topic in ancient history, written a paper and constructed a representation of their topic which will be on display during the event. LJHS spring concert is set for May 16.

10. Other Business

The board agreed by consensus to change meeting board meeting dates to May 31 and June 14.

18-05-05

Motion by Ms. Boutin, 2nd by Ms. Kugelmeyer to go into executive session to discuss negotiations under 1MRSA § 405(6)A. Passed: 10-0-0.

Time In: 8:00 pm
Time Out: 8:15 pm

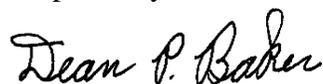
Adjournment

18-05-06

Motion by Mr. Martin, 2nd Ms. Flood-Gerow to vote to adjourn the meeting. Passed 10-0-0.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:46 p.m.

Respectfully,



Dean P. Baker, Secretary to the Board

The next meeting of the M.S.A.D. #49 Board of Directors will be May 17, 2018 at Lawrence Junior High School at 7:00 pm.