

Maine School Administrative District No. 49

School Board Meeting Minutes

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

April 6, 2017

A meeting of the M.S.A.D. #49 Board of School Directors was held on April 6, 2017 at the 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

Boyden	: Present	Flood-Gerow	: Absent	Michaud	: Present
Caverly	: Present	Knox	: Present	Rudnicki	: Present
Chesley	: Absent	Kugelmeyer	: Present	Tompkins	: Present
Dumont	: Present	Liberty	: Present	Toto-Lawrence	: Present
		Martin	: Arrived 7:02	Student Gibson	: Present

Pledge of Allegiance

3. Approval of Minutes

17-04-01

Motion by Mr. Liberty, 2nd by Ms. Tompkins to vote to accept the minutes from the March 16, 2017 board meeting. Passed: 10-0-1.

4. Citizen Input

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

Student Representative Campbell Gibson reported that LHS Show Choir won a silver medal at Jazz States Competition. Kiana Letourneau received recognition in the Morning Sentinel for her outstanding athletic record. College preparation is under way with career goal classes and college tours.

6. Old Business

Second Reading

17-04-02

Motion by Mr. Liberty, 2nd by Mr. Martin to vote to approve the second reading of Policy IGDJ Lawrence High School Philosophy Athletic/Co-Curricular Code and Contract as presented by the policy committee. Passed: 11-0-0.

7. New Business

Reading Recovery Presentation – Whendy Smith: Reading recovery teacher leader for our district, Whendy Smith, presented on the purpose and function on the reading recovery program. MSAD 49 hosts a regional teacher training center at Benton Elementary School. The program, affiliated with the University of Maine at Orono, provides training for one-on-one reading intervention for students in first grade. Results show they significantly improve for most students in the program.

17-04-03

Motion by Mr. Caverly, 2nd by Mr. Michaud to vote to approve the proposed 2017-2018 school calendar as presented with one change; moving LHS graduation date from June 8 to 7. Passed: 11-0-0.

17-04-04

Motion by Mr. Caverly, 2nd by Mr. Michaud to vote to approve moving LHS graduation from Friday, June 8 to Thursday, June 7. Passed: 10-0-0.

First Reading

17-04-05

Motion by Ms. Thompson, 2nd by Mr. Liberty to vote to approve the first reading of Policy EBCD Unscheduled Closings by the policy committee. Passed: 11-0-0.

Resignations:

Appointments:

17-04-06

Motion by Mr. Liberty, 2nd by Mr. Michaud to vote to authorize the Superintendent to offer co-curricular positions to the following. Passed: 10-0-1.

Coach	Position	Stipend Amount
Michael Burkhart	Grade 8 Baseball Coach	\$2288
Stan Trombley	Grade 7 Baseball Coach	\$1040
Rusty Mercier	Varsity Baseball Coach	\$4680
John Hersom	Jr. Varsity Baseball Coach	\$2574
Greg Chesley	Grade 8 Softball Coach	\$2080
Joey Marcoux	Varsity Softball Coach	\$5070
Stacey Ramer	Jr. Varsity Softball Coach	\$2340
Robert Morison	JHS Track Coach	\$2496
Susan Morris	JHS Asst. Track Coach	\$1300
Tim Alberts	LHS Varsity Track Coach	\$4680
Peter Spears	LHS Asst. Track Coach	\$2574
Lisa Letourneau	LHS Asst. Track Coach	\$2340
Thomas Hebert	LHS Asst. Track Coach	\$2340
Bill McKenzie	LHS Boy's Lacrosse Coach	\$2080
Gail Bucklin	LHS Girl's Lacrosse Coach	\$2080

8. Committee Reports

Mr. Liberty reported the Mid Maine Vocational Center reviewed supervision arrangements for licensing and accreditation activities for students at the center.

Facilities Chair Caverly reported the committee had reviewed a proposal by community donors to construct a physical fitness and conditioning center of about 40 x 120 feet. The community members have proposed constructing the center through donations and grants. The committee also reviewed major maintenance projects for 2016-17 and 2017-18.

Finance Committee Chair Jenny Boyden reported the committee has met twice to review and provide direction on the budget. The Superintendent reduced the original draft of 8% to 2.5% increase. The committee is handicapped by having to estimate the amount of state revenue for 2017-18. That funding accounts for approximately 2/3 of the total revenue of the local budget. The committee will meet again next week and will hold a budget workshop on April 25 at 7:00 pm. The committee also tentatively has set May 15 for the district budget meeting with the validation referendum vote on Tuesday, June 13.

9. Superintendent's Report

Dr. Baker reported the district will hold an early release on Monday, April 10 focusing on curricular issues with the district curriculum committees and an update on activities to prepare for grading and reporting proficiency under the new achievement requirements.

Dr. Baker commended the district music faculty for work leading to the Bandorama Concert last week for grades 4-12.

Principal Hersom informed the board that the JHS received \$393 from Hannaford Helps Schools Program funded by parents and the community. The entire grade 8 class will visit the University of Main as part of the MELMAC grant initiative to raise student college and career aspirations.

Principal Lee reported Fairfield Primary Pre-K is holding an Art Show on April 14th at 8:30. Albion Elementary raised \$4500 for the American Heart Association and Fairfield Primary raised \$1700 through Jump Rope for Heart with the assistance of physical education teacher Mrs. Heinrich.

Principal Wedge reported Benton Elementary hosted author Greg Tang to deepen student understanding of number sense with activities he has developed that have proven to be very successful. Over 200 students in each session worked with him – the student council made this opportunity possible. Guidance Counselor Mrs. Martin has asked for a board member to help review the Future of Maine Scholarships at Taconnet Credit Union on April 13.

Principal Gordon noted Clinton Elementary raised \$1375 for the American Heart Association through Jump Rope for Heart, and the PTO held their second annual movie night with 180 parents and students in attendance.

10. Other Business

Discussion of Brain Rules was postponed to a later meeting.

17-04-07

Motion by Mr. Liberty, 2nd by Mr. Caverly to go into executive session to discuss contract negotiations under 1MRSA § 405(6)D. Passed: 11-0-0.

Time In: 8:40 pm
Time Out: 9:08 pm

17-04-08

Motion by Ms. Tompkins, 2nd by Mr. Liberty to vote to approve the administrators contracts as presented by the negotiations committee. Passed: 11-0-0.

Adjournment

17-04-09

Motion by Ms. Kugelmeyer, 2nd Mr. Liberty to vote to adjourn the meeting. Passed 11-0-0.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:16 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 April 27, 2017 at Lawrence Junior High School.