

School Administrative District 8 Board Meeting

October 18, 2023

5:15 PM Business Meeting/5:30 Regular Meeting

Middle School

Board members: Alexandra McCarthy/Chair, Sarah Crossman/Vice Chair, Rachel Noyes and Sue Dempster Absent: Penny Lazaro

Administration: Monte Selby/Superintendent, Tina Davidson/Business Manager and

- I. Call of the Roll – 5:30 pm
- II. Approval of minutes – September 20, 2023 – Motion S Crossman motion to approve/A McCarthy seconds (4-0)
- III. Persons desiring to address the Board - none
- IV. Approval of the October 18, 2023 Agenda - Motion A McCarthy motion to approve/R Noyes seconds (4-0)
- V. Board Chair – Reported that all board members were planning on attending the MSMA Fall Conference on October 26 and 27th in Augusta.
- VI. Personnel - None
- VII. Principal's Report
 - A. Robbie Brooker – Library up-date – Robbie Brooker along with the board did a walking tour of the library. He talked about some of the changes he is making with shelving books and his plan on getting books inventoried. There are many books that have not been returned and he discussed his plan on how to help parents/students get them back on the shelves.
 - B. Senior Privileges – The school board met with the seniors again and went over the privileges they felt were in their parameter of approving. The board again told the seniors how happy they were that they took the initiative to bring their thoughts/ideas to them. These privileges will be for the 23-24 school year only.
 - First in lunch line – be respectful (All in favor)
 - Parking spot – school will create a designated parking spot with a senior nameplate to mark the spot (All in favor)
 - Students in good standing, after obtaining a signed parent permission form may leave school during their study hall period. After checking on liability, the board felt that ride sharing would be fine with a parent permission slip. (All favor)
 - No open lunch/advisory. Special lunch events for all seniors (1-3)
 - Pending: High grade = no final (0-4) board felt teachers/administration decision
 - Pending: Exempt from final week of class before graduation (0-4) board felt teacher/administration decision
 - Graduation, June 15th, this date will not be moved and the board did not approve the week before off for the seniors. (0-4)

With these privileges, the seniors designed a “three strike” rule for each student who wants to maintain senior privileges. Those who are not following expectations regarding senior privileges will be informed of a strike from Mr. Selby, Principal or Mr. Feezor, Assistant Principal. Three strikes will end privileges for that student.

C. Middle/High School highlights -

VIII. Superintendent Report – Monte reported to the board how Widow Island Fund is working this year. There are trips that have been planned for each grade level in the school. From traveling to museums with the younger grades to the mainland, to high school legacy trips. This year the 9th-10th graders will be traveling to Boston from November 6-9th and grades 11-12 will be traveling to Washington DC on those same dates. The idea is to have each student by the time they graduate to have the opportunity to visit museums, a park in Maine, visit another state, ride on a subway, travel on a plane. There are still smaller grants coming in such as Culinary Club, a request to help support a bit with the French Club trip in the spring, a solar eclipse trip in the spring to Moosehead lake to view a total eclipse at a prime location, ski trips for elementary and middle school, Lego Robotics supplies and college trips.

Bus update – the bus will return to the island after being inspected and repairs from last winters accident. At this time, we are looking for a bus driver.

School board delegate – none interested

Budget update – 76% of the 23-24 budget remaining which is great seeing we are a ¼ of the way through.

School truck – the current school truck was not passing inspection with many repairs. There was a decision made to purchase a new school truck rather than a lot of money to have the old one fixed.

Board conference – a request to have the board report back next month on what they took from the fall conference.

IX. Questions of Board Members - none

X. Policy Consideration

A. Policy JICJ Student Use of Cell Phones and Other Electronic Devices – 2nd Read (may not need) already accepted and approved in September. No changes needed.

**B. Policy EFE Competitive Food Sales – Sales of Foods in Competition with the School Food Service Program – Second Read –
Motion to approve/adopt A McCarthy/S Dempster seconds (4-0)**

**C. Policy EBCF Automated External Defibrillators (AEDs) – Second Read –
Motion to approve/adopt A McCarthy/S Crossman seconds (4-0)**

**D. Policy EF – R Payment for Food Service – Second Read –
Motion to approve/adopt A McCarthy/R Noyes seconds (4-0)**

**E. Policy EF – Nutrition Services: Meals, Meal Charging and Prohibition Against Food Shaming - Second Read –
Motion to approve/adopt A McCarthy/R Noyes seconds (4-0)**

**F. Policy GBGB Workplace Bullying – Second Read –
Motion to approve/adopt S Dempster/S Crossman seconds (4-0)**

**G. Policy GBP – R Earned Paid Leave Administrative Procedure – Second Read –
Motion to approve/adopt A McCarthy/R Noyes seconds (4-0)**

H. Policy GCF – Professional Staff Hiring – Second Read –

- Motion to approve/adopt A McCarthy/S Crossman seconds (4-0)**
- I. Policy GCFA – R1 Hiring of Instructional Staff – Second Read –
Motion to approve/adopt A McCarthy/S Dempster seconds (4-0)
- J. Policy ECB Pest Management in School Facilities and On School Grounds – Second Read – **Motion to approve/adopt A McCarthy/R Noyes seconds (4-0)**
- K. Policy GCK Professional Staff Assignments and Transfers – First Read –
Motion to accept A McCarthy/R Noyes seconds (4-0)
- L. Policy GCFB Recruiting and Hiring of Administrative Staff – First Read –
Motion to accept A McCarthy/R Noyes seconds (4-0)
- M. Policy IHBEA Program for English Language Learners – First Read –
Motion to accept A McCarthy/S Dempster seconds (4-0)
- N. Policy GCOC Evaluation of Administrative Staff – First Read –
Motion to accept A McCarthy/S Crossman seconds (4-0)
- O. Policy GCOA Supervision and Evaluation of Professional Staff – First Read –
Motion to accept A McCarthy/S Dempster seconds (4-0)
- P. Policy GCSA Employee Computer and Internet Use – First Read –
Motion to accept A McCarthy/R Noyes seconds (4-0)
- Q. Policy GCSA-R Employee Computer and Internet Use Rules – First Read –
Motion to accept S Crossman/S Dempster seconds (4-0)
- R. Policy IHBAC Child Find – First Read –
Motion to accept A McCarthy/S Dempster seconds (4-0)

XI. Old Business - none

XII. New Business - none

XIII. Set date for November 2023 meeting – Policy Meeting November 8, 2023 in the high school math room and November 15th, 2023 regular school board meeting in middle school.

XIV. Adjourn – 7:10 pm