

MAINE SCHOOL ADMINISTRATIVE DISTRICT # 33

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MINUTES

MEETING NO. 821

DATE: MONDAY, FEBRUARY 6, 2006

PLACE: WISDOM MIDDLE/HIGH SCHOOL

TIME: 6:30 PM

MEMBERS PRESENT:

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Percy Thibeault, Chairman
Dale Chamberland
Cindy Marquis
Rose McQuarrie
Bernard Nadeau
Cleo Ouellette
Betsy Raymond
Sandra San Antonio

OTHERS PRESENT:

Fern Desjardins, Superintendent of Schools
Lisa Bernier, Principal, Dr. Levesque Elementary School
Tammy LeBlanc, Principal, Wisdom Middle/High School
David Morse, Director, St. John Valley Technology Center
James Plourde, District Guidance Counselor
Ryan Pelletier, Town Manager, Town of St. Agatha
Paul Bernier, Community Development Director

I. CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Percy Thibeault called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance.

II. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF MEETING NO. 820

Moved by Cleo Ouellette and seconded by Sandra San Antonio to approve the minutes of meeting number 820. Unanimous vote.

III. AGENDA ADJUSTMENTS

By consensus, the Board agreed to have Article V – C withdrawn from the agenda and to replace it with:

V – C. High School Math Team Field Trip Request

IV. PERIOD OF PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

The period of public participation opened and closed at 6:31 p.m. with no one addressing the Board.

V. NEW BUSINESS

A. Fitness Center

Paul Bernier, Community Development Director for the towns of Frenchville and St. Agatha, made a presentation on the opportunity to submit a Community Development Block Grant proposal for a Community Fitness and Wellness Center to serve the citizens of Cross Lake, Frenchville, Sinclair, and St. Agatha. Wisdom Middle/High School is one of four sites being considered for the Center.

Moved by Sandra San Antonio and seconded by Rose McQuarrie to express an interest in being evaluated as a potential site for a Community Fitness & Wellness Center. Unanimous vote.

B. Election of Administrators & Supervisors (Cafeteria Supervisor, Athletic Director, Adult Education Director, Guidance Counselor, Wisdom Middle/High School Principal, Dr. Levesque Elementary School Principal, & SJVTC Director)

Moved by Cleo Ouellette and seconded by Rose McQuarrie to approve the recommendation of the superintendent to extend the employment agreement of the cafeteria supervisor, athletic director, adult education director, guidance counselor, high school principal, elementary school principal, and technology center director by one year, pending certification required of the individuals by the MDOE. Unanimous vote.

By consensus, action on salaries and benefits for administrators and supervisors was deferred to a future meeting.

C. High School Math Team Field Trip Request

Moved by Bernard Nadeau and seconded by Cindy Marquis to approve a high school Math Team trip to the University of Maine in Orono on April 10 and 11 to attend a State Math Meet and to travel with another high school, if possible. Unanimous vote.

VI. PRINCIPALS' & DIRECTOR'S REPORTS

Principals Lisa Bernier and Tammy LeBlanc and Director David Morse reported on activities in their schools.

VII. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

A. School Bus Purchase

MSAD #33 has been approved for two school bus purchases in 2006-2007 at a base cost of \$55,300.00 for each bus.

B. Other

Superintendent Desjardins read a thank you note from the Pioneer Educational Foundation for a donation made in memory of past MSAD #33 Superintendent of Schools Garfield C. King. She also read a letter of appreciation from Mr. King's son, Dr. Craig King, for the support the family recently received from MSAD #33 personnel. Dr. King included a \$100.00 donation to the Pioneer Educational Foundation.

Superintendent Desjardins provided an update of the work of the Small School Coalition and lobbying efforts to save small schools. She also informed Directors of the workshop Commissioner Susan Gendron will hold in Augusta on February 13 to provide updates on several topics.

VIII. COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. Finance Committee

Approval of the January 2006 Expenditure Report

By consensus, the Board reviewed and accepted the January 2006 Expenditure Report.

B. Policies & Personnel Committee

1. First Reading

- a) AC **Nondiscrimination/Equal Opportunity and Affirmative Action**
- b) AC-E **Discrimination/Harassment Complaint Form**
- c) ACAA **Harassment and Sexual Harassment of Students**
- d) ACAA-R **Student Discrimination and Harassment Complaint Procedure**
- e) ACAB **Harassment and Sexual Harassment of School Employees**
- f) ACAB-R **Employee Discrimination and Harassment Complaint Procedure**

Moved by Rose McQuarrie and seconded by Cleo Ouellette to approve the First Reading of the above policies, exhibit, and procedures with the changes proposed by Director Ouellette and Director McQuarrie. Unanimous vote.

2. Second Reading

- a) IHAI Applied Learning Projects
- b) IHAI-E1 Applied Learning Projects Request Form
- c) IHAI-E2 Culinary Arts Function Agreement
- d) IHD Adult/Community Education
- e) IHD-R Adult/Community Education Procedures

Moved by Cleo Ouellette and seconded by Bernard Nadeau to approve the Second Reading and to adopt the above policies, exhibits, and procedure. Unanimous vote.

C. Negotiations Committee

Negotiations Committee members Percy Thibeault, Dale Chamberland, Bernard Nadeau, and Betsy Raymond expressed interest in negotiating with the Support Staff Unit and will be awaiting a request to meet to negotiate a successor agreement to the 2003-2006 Collective Bargaining Agreement.

IX. OLD BUSINESS

Chairman Thibeault informed the Board that tree harvesting behind Dr. Levesque Elementary School began this morning and will continue for approximately a month. C L Roy & Sons, Inc. of Frenchville was contracted to cut and haul the wood. The contract expires May 1, 2006.

X. OTHER

None

XI. ADJOURNMENT

Chairman Thibeault declared the meeting adjourned at 8:03 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Fern Desjardins, Ed.D.
Superintendent of Schools