

MAINE SCHOOL ADMINISTRATIVE DISTRICT # 33

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FRENCHVILLE, ME 04745

MINUTES

MEETING NO. 837

DATE: MONDAY, APRIL 2, 2007

PLACE: DR. LEVESQUE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

TIME: 6:30 PM

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Cindy Marquis
Rose McQuarrie
Bernard Nadeau
Cleo Ouellette
Betsy Raymond (arrived at 6:36)

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Sandra San Antonio
Gary Zetterman

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
Jessica Picard, President, MSAD #33 Education Association

Rose McQuarrie nominated Cleo Ouellette to Chair the meeting. Betsy Raymond seconded the nomination. Unanimous vote

I. CALL TO ORDER

Acting Chairperson Cleo Ouellette called the meeting to order at 6:38 p.m.

II. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF MEETING NO. 836

Moved by Bernard Nadeau and seconded by Rose McQuarrie to approve the minutes of meeting number 836 as amended to include "of the negotiated contract" in the last paragraph of Article V-E after the words "per Article 22." Unanimous vote.

III. AGENDA ADJUSTMENTS

By consensus, the Board agreed to add:

V – F Legal Advice on Quitclaim Deed

IV. PERIOD OF PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

The period of public participation opened and closed at 6:44 p.m. with no one addressing the Board.

V. NEW BUSINESS

A. Election of Probationary Teachers

Moved by Bernard Nadeau and seconded by Rose McQuarrie to accept the superintendent's nominations of Theresa Cerceo and Heather Stevens for probationary contracts. Unanimous vote.

B. Election of First Year Continuing Contract Teachers

Moved by Rose McQuarrie and seconded by Bernard Nadeau to accept the superintendent's nominations of Vicki Deschaine, Michelle Dubois, Robin Levasseur, Donna Levesque, and Vincent Sirois for a first-year continuing contract. Unanimous vote.

C. Election of School Board Chairperson & Vice-Chairperson

Rose McQuarrie nominated Sandra San Antonio for the office of Chairperson of the MSAD #33 Board of Directors. Cindy Marquis seconded the nomination and moved that nominations cease. Unanimous vote on San Antonio's election.

Betsy Raymond nominated Cleo Ouellette for the office of Vice-Chairperson of the MSAD #33 Board of Directors. Rose McQuarrie seconded the nomination and moved that nominations cease. Unanimous vote on Ouellette's election.

D. Recognition Evening

By consensus, the Board set Friday, June 1 as the tentative date for the District Recognition Evening, pending honorees being available on that date.

E. Appointment of Support Team Member

Moved by Rose McQuarrie and seconded by Bernard Nadeau to approve the superintendent's recommendation of Deborah Gendreau as support team member to replace Louise Cyr, pending verification that Ms. Gendreau has received training as a support team member. Unanimous vote.

F. Legal Advice on Quitclaim Deed

After reviewing a letter from DrummondWoodsum attorney E. William Stockmeyer, it was moved by Rose McQuarrie and seconded by Bernard Nadeau to rescind the action taken on March 6, 2007 regarding Article V-D, *Request for Purchase of School Property*. Unanimous vote.

Moved by Rose McQuarrie and seconded by Bernard Nadeau to have Superintendent Desjardins explore the possibility of leasing, for a minimal amount, or providing an easement to 7500 square feet of MSAD #33 property to accommodate the operation and maintenance of an existing leach field and septic system currently used by the Estate of Lawrence Gervais, Sr., and that such lease or easement prohibit any future construction on the triangular parcel of land. Unanimous vote.

VI. PRINCIPALS' & DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Principals Lisa Bernier and Tammy LeBlanc and Director David Morse each presented his/her *Building Conditions and Needs Report*.

VII. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

A. Letters of Resignation

Superintendent Desjardins has accepted letters of resignation from Helen Melvin, Louise Cyr, Helen Ayotte, and Theresa Guerrette, effective at the end of the 2006-2007 school year.

Director Ouellette asked that the resignations be accepted "with regret."

B. April 1 Enrollment

The total District enrollment as of April 1, 2007 is 322 students, including two tuitioned students. That is a net loss of four students from April 1, 2006.

C. Other

Superintendent Desjardins informed the Board that a bus driver who failed to renew his driver's license has had his job assignment suspended.

By consensus, the Board agreed that the District would not pay wages to support staff for attendance at courses.

VIII. COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. Finance Committee

1. Approval of the March 2007 Expenditure Report

By consensus, the Board reviewed and accepted the March 2007 Expenditure Report.

2. Setting a Date for a Budget Workshop

By consensus, the Board agreed to meet on Wednesday, May 2 at 6:30 pm at the St. John Valley Technology Center.

B. Policies & Personnel Committee

1. First Reading

- a) IKF Graduation Requirements
- b) Job Description for American Sign Language Interpreter

Moved by Rose McQuarrie and seconded by Bernard Nadeau to approve the First Reading of the above job description and Policy IKF, as amended (to maintain in the first paragraph the year 2010). Unanimous vote.

2. Second Reading

a) BEDB	Agenda
b) BEDC	Quorum
c) BEDD	Rules of Order
d) BEDF	Voting Method
e) BEDFA	Abstentions
f) BEDG	Minutes
g) BEDH	Public Participation at Board Meetings
h) BEDI	Board Relations with the Media
i) BEDL	Adjournment of Board Meetings
j) BG	School Board Policy Process
k) BG-R	Policy Adoption Process
l) BHC	Board Communications with Staff
m) BIA	New Board Member Orientation
n) BIB	Board Member Development Opportunities
o) BID	Board Member Compensation and Expenses
p) EFE	Competitive Food Sales-Sales of Food in Competition with the School Food Service Program
q) JL	Student Wellness
r) JL-E	Nutrition Guidelines for Student Wellness

Moved by Rose McQuarrie and seconded by Bernard Nadeau to approve the Second Reading, as amended (in Policy BIA to change the question mark in C.6 to a semicolon) and to adopt the above policies, procedure, and exhibit. Unanimous vote.

IX. OLD BUSINESS

None

X. OTHER

None

XI. ADJOURNMENT

Acting Chairperson Cleo Ouellette declared the meeting adjourned at 9:17 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Fern Desjardins, Ed.D.
Superintendent of Schools