

Maine School Administrative District No. 35
Board of Directors – Regular Meeting Minutes
Marshwood High School – Learning Center
Wednesday, –September 19, 2018 - 7:00 PM

Present: Mrs. Keri Tice, Mr. Joe Long, Mr. Fred Wildnauer, Mrs. Susan Berman, Mr. Paul Stanley, Mr. Matt Taylor, Ms. Makenna Janes, Ms. Katie Taran and Dr. Mary Nash.

Also present: Mr. John Caverly, Mr. Ryan Cormier, Mr. Anthony Bourbon and interested members of the public and press.

7:00 PM Call to Order

Pledge of Allegiance

Scheduled Audience to the Public - None

Opportunity for Public Input on Items Not on the Agenda - None

Requests to address the Board on matters not on the agenda must be made to the Superintendent and must set forth the specifics of the subject to be addressed.

Report of the Secretary:

1. Consideration and action to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of Wednesday, September 5, 2018.

Motion: Mrs. Berman Second: Mr. Wildnauer Vote: 6:0

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Report of the Chair:

1. Town Officials Meeting – Mrs. Tice reported the next Town Officials meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, October 10th from 8:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. in the Superintendent’s Office.
2. MEF 10th Anniversary Celebration – Mrs. Tice reported the MEF will celebrate their 10th Anniversary at the Regatta Banquet and Conference Center in Eliot on Saturday, October 13, 2018 from 7:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m. featuring Motor Booty Affair Band. Tickets are \$30.00 and may be purchased by a MEF member or through the MEF website.
3. Topics for Board Meetings – Mrs. Tice reported each year the Board creates a list of topics for the Board meetings. She asked the Board members for suggestions of topics and send to Dr. Nash who will create a list for the 2018-19 meetings. Topics may include a review of a report(s) from last year, new projects or events. Dr. Nash stated that Heidi Early-Hersey suggested a report on the Summer Literacy program.

Report of the Superintendent:

1. School-Based Telehealth Pilot Program – Dr. Nash reported at the April 25, 2018 Board meeting, Jerry Dubois and Eric Fogg from York Hospital presented a proposal to pilot Telehealth services between MMS and York Hospital for the 2018-19 school year. She stated a number of questions arose from the Board regarding the proposed pilot program regarding funding, obtaining parental consent and insurance issues.

On June 28th, Dr. Nash received a proposed Memorandum of Understanding from Jerry Dubois drafted by the York Hospital legal team that outlined the relationship and responsibilities of York Hospital and the district. She stated she forwarded the Memorandum of Understanding to principal Tony Bourbon and to MMS nurse, Judy Doran for their thoughts and insights.

Dr. Nash reported that on July 5th she received a very detailed analysis of the MOU from Nurse Judy Doran outlining her concerns. Nurse Doran's concerns focused on managing parental consent forms, billing and collection issues and malpractice insurance.

Dr. Nash reported on July 12th, after meeting with Nurse Doran, Mr. Bourbon emailed Dr. Nash and Jerry Dubois that he too had many questions about the initial start-up of the proposed pilot program, its on-going operations and instrument costs associated with running the program. As a result of these questions, Mr. Bourbon recommended that the district hold off trying to implement the proposed school-based telehealth program until he gained a better knowledge of the data management requirements of the program, the day to day delivery of services, and the relevant equipment costs required to properly administer the program.

Dr. Nash reported that Mr. Bourbon has offered to have Jerry Dubois reach out to him around the first of October to continue discussions and planning for a potential school-based telehealth pilot program at MMS sometime in the future.

2. Mental Health Awareness Presentation – Judge John Broderick – Dr. Nash reported in July, Judge John Broderick reached out to her to see if Marshwood would be willing to host a presentation regarding mental awareness. Judge Broderick served on the NH Supreme court for 15 years, the last 7 years as the Supreme Court's Chief Justice.

Dr. Nash stated, three years ago, Judge Broderick was asked to get involved in a national campaign titled: *Change Direction*. The *Change Direction* campaign is simple, timely and powerful. Its goal is to make the five most common signs of mental illness as well as widely known as the signs of a heart attack or stroke. Dr. Nash reported the *Change Direction* campaign has created a helpful acronym to capture the signs of emotional distress:

R.E.A.C.T. **Recognize** the signs of emotional suffering
 Express concern and offer support
 Act now and talk to someone you trust – parent, teacher, coach
 relative, friend, doctor
 Care enough to follow through and follow up
 Text `Signs` to 741-741 or call (603) 448-4400

Dr. Nash reported Judge Broderick is currently the Senior Director of Public Affairs for the Dartmouth-Hitchcock Hospital. She stated Judge Broderick noted in his email that half of all mental illness has its onset by age 14 and two-thirds by age 23.

Dr. Nash reported that Judge Broderick will present this important information about mental health together with the Commissioners of Education of NH and Maine on Thursday, September 27th from 7:30 a.m. to 8:45 a.m. at MHS' auditorium. Members of the public are welcome to attend this important presentation.

3. Student Report - Ms. Janes reported students have settled in after the first few weeks of school which means clubs have started to meet. The award-winning Math team are having had some practices in preparation for their first meet in October. Ms. Janes reported Student Government has met and have introduced the new Civil Rights Committee whose focus is on educating the student body on potential conflicts that they may face and teaching them how to solve them. She stated she thinks it is extremely important as students move from high school to college or jobs in the real world that they learn these skill sets and be able to apply them to possible conflicts they may face. Ms. Janes reported the Gender and Sexuality Alliance Club is scheduled to meet this Thursday after school. She stated this year there is no longer a Bottle Recycling Club. Ms. Janes reported there are several groups that have stepped up to collect the bottles and deliver to recycle locations. These clubs include Student Government Green Committee and several sports teams. Ms. Janes reported there will be some re-organization for responsibility but noted there is not an absence of recycling at MHS. Ms. Janes reported that Mr. Livingston continues to seek families to host the Danish exchange students for their annual visit. The Danish students will arrive Columbus Day weekend, October 4th – 8th. The students will attend the Pep Rally, will follow the host student to classes, and attend the Homecoming Football game. Ms. Janes stated over the weekend they will explore places in Maine or New Hampshire such as Portland or Portsmouth. Ms. Janes shared her experience of a Danish student in one of her classes who shared what values the US and Denmark had in common and differed on. The Danish student thought having flags in each classroom was strange and the US chocolate was not as good as Danish chocolate. Ms. Janes stated that anyone looking to host Danish student should contact Mr. Livingston. Ms. Taran shared her experience with the Danish students and recalling at the football game the student body engaging them in to participate in cheering the team on. Ms. Taran reported on the upcoming District Musical, "Newsies", which is about the 1899 newspaper strike. Starring Max Tullgren, Ethan Ellis-Johnson, and Tucker Whalen. Ms. Taran reported the Rollinsford School Board was looking for a student representative. She stated that student Nick Garrity, who is from Rollinsford, is the student representative. Mr. Wildnauer asked if students would be competing in the Maine Quiz Bowl. The students responded at this time there were not any details available other than tryouts were held last spring for this year's competition.

Correspondence: None

Report of the Committees:

1. Report of the Finance and Facilities Committee – Report of the September 19, 2018 meeting. Mr. Long reported that August expenditures were still behind budget but higher than revenues as it was a three-payroll month. He stated the Food Service application was approved. Mr. Long reported propane price was locked in for \$1.55 He stated we have a plowing contract for 5-year fixed contract which includes removal of snow as well as plowing and is less than last year's

contract as well as less than what was budgeted. Mrs. Berman reported Food Service is ahead of last year by \$1,000. She stated to increase staff participation in the lunch program the price to staff is being held at \$3.50. Mrs. Berman reported the state did accept our Food Service application but had to charge staff \$4.08. A waiver was submitted for the \$3.50 cost and the state has accepted. Lunch has been gaining momentum with the staff. Food Service is looking into the more popular items from last year in hopes to keep up interest. Mrs. Berman reported we now have a full staff of bus drivers. She stated three new buses are expected next week. Mr. Long reported that Sgt. Lund of the Eliot Police department assisted with the a new drop off plan at EES which is working out very well and reducing traffic on State Road. Mr. Caverly stated the bus schedule is still not picking up students before 6:20 a.m.

2. Report of the Educational Policy Committee – Next meeting September 26, 2018

New Business: None

Administration:

Mr. Bourbon reported it has been a great start to the school year. He stated the new setup for the parking lot flow is working well. Mr. Bourbon reported classes and instruction are going well. He stated he is pleased with the start of the new school year.

Mr. Caverly reported the new staff orientation has been completed. He stated the principals did a great job hiring candidates to fill the staff positions. Mr. Caverly reported it was one of three sessions. He found the new staff members to be engaged and had some great conversations.

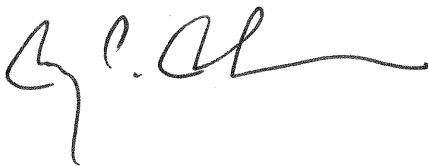
Mr. Wildnauer reported there will be a “Meet the Candidates” night on Monday, October 15th from 6:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. at the South Berwick Town Hall. He stated there are two candidates running for the School Board seat.

Adjournment

Motion: Mr. Taylor Second: Mr. Stanley Vote: 6:0

The Board adjourned at 7:34 p.m.

Attest: True Record



Dr. Mary C. Nash
Superintendent of Schools