

R.S.U. No. 67
BOARD OF DIRECTORS
Minutes
Wednesday, November 18, 2009 at 7:00 p.m.
Mattanawcook Academy Library

Mission: R.S.U. No. 67 strives to provide a safe, caring, supportive educational environment which empowers all individuals to fulfill their unique potential as lifelong learners and responsible, contributing citizens in an ever-changing global society.

Board of Directors: Regginal Adams, Caitlin Brinkman, Sarah Crockett, Board Secretary; David Edwards, Board Chair; Darla Lichtenberg, Judy McComb, Jeff Schick, Jackie Thurlow, Board Vice-Chair; John Trask, Jessica Worster, Sean Sibley, Student Representative

Members excused: Carolyn Smith, Debra Tardy

Members absent:

R.S.U. No. 67 Staff: Superintendent Michael F. Marcinkus, Principals: Anita McCafferty, William Ben Lothrop, Director of Curriculum and Academic Achievement, Donna Vigue; Administrative Assistant, Lisa Morin

Guests present: Ron Weatherbee, Chris DeBeck, James Wadman, Members of the SLG committee: Mike Thibodeau, Jessica Fortine, Josh Pelkey, Curt Ring

- A. **Call to order:** Chair Edwards called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.
- B. **Adjustment to the agenda:** Addition of J3, J4, & J5.
- C. **Consideration of the minutes of Wednesday, November 18, 2009 School Board meeting:**

Motion by Director Thurlow, seconded by Director Adams to accept the motion as read.

Vote: Unanimous

- D. **Communications:** None
- E. **Public Participation:** None
- F. **Personnel:** None
- G. **Committee Reports:**
 - 1. Region III – have not met
 - 2. Operations Committee – have not met
 - 3. Policy Committee – met today – on next agenda
 - 4. Personnel Committee – have not met

5. Gifted and Talented – have not met
6. LSA Service-Learning Leadership Team– Written report and on agenda. This committee directly involves students and is very enthusiastic about what they are doing, thus making this committee very different from any other.
7. Student Representative – Mr. Sibley briefed the board on how Molly Mercer has been instructing students on bullying prevention. There are 20 students participating in 4 different groups. There is one group at each school and one in the community. There was a variety show performed that raised approximately \$1,300.00 for the senior class. The play *It's a Wonderful Life* will be performed on December 3rd, 4th, & 5th at MA.

H. Superintendent's Report

1. H1N1- Mr. Marcinkus is pleased to inform the board of the decreasing numbers of ill students. Last week was the first round of H1N1 vaccinations, and there were 459 vaccinations given. This Friday there will be an H1N1 vaccination clinic at MA. Encouraging news!
2. Follow up on the Department of Labor inspection – Mr. Marcinkus reported that we have distributed all the information to each of the building principals. He asked that we all make note that a particular violation holds true for all the schools (even if it was only noted in one school). As each violation is remediated, we have 10 days to report that it is amended to the Department of Labor.
3. Revisions of ARA funds – Mr. Marcinkus reported that a couple thousand dollars was moved to improve security at schools and for energy efficient lighting. This was done due to the fact that the State disallowed the cost of the tractor.
4. Other – Mr. Marcinkus reported that the meeting with the town went well, and he was very pleased at the turnout. We will be working together with the results from the meeting and putting together a survey for the community.

I. Old Business:

None

J. New Business:

1. Donna Vigue & Curt Ring's presentation on the Learn and Serve America Service Learning Leadership Team.

Discussion: Mattanawcook Academy is very proud to be one of only three districts to receive the Service Learning grant. This is a very exciting project. Mr. Ring briefed the board on the current project that is taking place in collaboration with the town in the town cemetery. The students are now mapping the cemetery. The students briefed the board on how they came up with the ideas for service learning projects to improve the reputation of MA high school students in the community. They described

the process on how they are mapping, the procedure on recording the names, how they map the measurements of the plots, etc. Students have completed one section and started a new section today. The end result of this project will be a database on who is buried where and who owns the plots. They are saving tax payer dollars in the process. See handout.

2. James Wadman to review R.S.U. No. 67 audit report.

Discussion: See audit report. Mr. Wadman entertained questions from Board members.

3. Motion to accept or not accept the School Board's recommendation have Maine School Management Association begin a Superintendent Search.

Discussion: The Board has spoken with Dale Douglas from MSMA and was informed that they will perform a legal search for a superintendent (advertising, screening, etc.) for our search committee to interview candidates. There will be costs for advertisement and possibly to pay for a candidate's travel.

Motion by Director Crockett, seconded by Director Trask to accept the motion as read.

Vote: Unanimous

4. Motion to accept or not accept the Superintendent's recommendation to appoint Bill McCarthy as MA Boys JV Basketball Coach for the 2009-2010 school year.

Motion by Director Crockett, seconded by Director Schick to accept the motion as read.

Vote: Unanimous

5. Motion to accept or not accept the Superintendent's recommendation to appoint the following Volunteer Coaches for the 2009-2010 school year.

- **Laura Whiting – Volunteer Cheering Coach**
- **Sarah McLaughlin – Volunteer Cheering Coach**

Motion by Director Schick, seconded by Director Worster to accept the motion as read.

Vote: Unanimous

K. Announcement: Next board meeting December 2nd @ 7:00p.m.

- L. Items requested by Board Members, Community and staff to be included in the next agenda:** Information from the MSMA conference, July 1 carryover number, Freedom of access, and Executive session.
**Tentatively – no second meeting in December.
- M. Adjournment:**
Motion by Director Crockett, seconded by Director Trask to adjourn the meeting.

Vote: Unanimous
Time: 8:46

NOTE: No new business will be undertaken after 10:00 p.m. unless the Board votes unanimously to extend the meeting beyond 10:00 p.m.