

**RSU 83/M.S.A.D. #13 BOARD OF DIRECTORS  
MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING  
THURSDAY, MAY 11, 2023, 2023  
VALLEY JR/SR HIGH SCHOOL BINGHAM, MAINE  
6:00 P.M.**

**I. CALL TO ORDER**-The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Chairman Leo Hill

**II. ATTENDANCE**

Present: Leo Hill, Elizabeth Brochu, Beverly Brown, Brandy Hill, Brian Malloy, Pauline Lagasse, Karin Stevens, Ann Ingersoll, Janelle Ingersoll

Absent: Bonnie Atwood (excused)

Also present: Sandra MacArthur, Carol Hines, Wendy Belanger, James Tyler, Melissa Lyons-Vitalone, Jessica Mills

**III. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**-Conducted

**IV. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES (Regular meetings – will not be done at special meetings)**

Upon a motion by Ann Ingersoll and second by Brandy Hill the Board unanimously voted to approve the minutes of April 11, 2023 (policy committee), April 11, 2023 (regular meeting), April 25, 2023 (finance committee)

**V. PUBLIC INPUT**-None

**VI. ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS**

a) Moscow Principal’s Report

We had our carnival on May 10<sup>th</sup>. It was a tremendous success! Preschool graduation will be on June 12<sup>th</sup>. The 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> grade classes will be visiting Cole’s Museum on the 19<sup>th</sup>. Our field day is scheduled for June 13<sup>th</sup>. State testing is wrapping up, and we will conduct year-end school assessments in the next few weeks.

b) Valley Jr/Sr High School Report

**End of Year Events:**

Prom is next Saturday, May 20 from 7PM to 10PM.

The academic awards banquet is scheduled for May 24 beginning at 5:30PM. Invitation letters were mailed out today. Board members will receive invitations.

Field day is scheduled for May 31 with a rain date of June 1.

NWEA “through-year” testing is being completed by grades 3-8 and 10 this week and next week.

Mr. Davis reports that graduation planning is on track.

c) Director of Special Services Report

**ESEA FY 24 Funding Projections**

|          | FY 18<br>Final | FY 19<br>Final | FY 20<br>Final | FY 21<br>Final | FY 22<br>Final | FY 23<br>Final | FY 24<br>Projected | Difference<br>from<br>FY 23 |
|----------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|--------------------|-----------------------------|
| Title I  | \$96,477       | \$97,780       | \$96,434       | \$93,402       | \$94,117       | \$97,945       | \$120,076          | +22,131                     |
| Title II | \$13,573       | \$20,109       | \$17,113       | \$12,043       | \$13,213.72    | \$12,139       | \$12,910           | +771                        |
| Title IV | \$9,855.61     | \$10,000       | \$10,000       | \$10,000       | \$10,000       | \$10,000       | \$10,504           | +504                        |

**Local Entitlement** – Projections not yet available

**Summer School** – We were granted \$33,570 from the DOE to run our Title I summer program. We will offer summer school from Tues-Thurs each week during the month of July with an option to extend the program for some students into August. Staff have been hired and instructional supplies will be ordered soon. Clerical and transportation costs will also be covered.

**CavCast** – If you get a chance, check out the Valley Facebook page to see videos put together by CavCast students highlighting some of our special education staff.

d) **Athletic Director's Report**

**Varsity Baseball and Softball:**

Varsity softball competed in a double-header against Greenville and currently has a record of 2-0. Varsity baseball played in their first game against Rangeley and pulled off a win and has a record of 1-0. This season has been challenging with the schedule due to shortage of umpires, transportation, and weather. The schedule has been changing; however, the staff has been working diligently to ensure the teams are able to play.

**Middle-School Softball:**

Middle-School softball competed in their first tournament in Madison.

**East-West Banquet:**

The East/West banquet will be on June 6<sup>th</sup> at the Augusta Civic Center. All East/West All-Star Recipients will be invited.

**Athletic Banquet:**

Valley will be having their athletic banquet on June 5<sup>th</sup>.

**VII. ADJUSTMENTS TO THE AGENDA**

**VIII. GOOD NEWS**

- a) Funding for the electric bus is in the district account
- b) Supply Chain Assistance (SCA) for the school nutrition program-\$6,215.02

**IX. COMMUNICATIONS**

- a) Financial Statement-The district is finishing the fiscal year in good financial standing
- b) Superintendent MacArthur's June schedule-Change May 22 to May 23 due to Academic Banquet
- c) Enrollment update-Enrollment remains steady
- d) Thank you note from Glenridge Long Term Care-Donation in memory of Kermit Knowles

**X. REPORT OF SUPERINTENDENT**

- a) Bathroom doors and buzzer system will remain in place for the rest of this school year.
- b) Stage lift delivery date is scheduled for June 24, 2023

**XI. SUB-COMMITTEE REPORTS (Finance Committee, Policy Committee, Negotiations Committee, Transportation Committee, Buildings and Grounds Committee, Personnel Committee)**

Finance (Bonnie Atwood, Elizabeth Brochu, Brian Malloy)

Policy (Leo Hill, Janelle Ingersoll, Brandy Hill, Beverly Brown)

Negotiations (Pauline Lagasse, Karin Stevens, Janelle Ingersoll, (alternate) Beverly Brown)

Transportation (Leo Hill, Brian Malloy, Karin Stevens)

Buildings and Grounds (Leo Hill, Bonnie Atwood, Ann Ingersoll, Beverly Brown)

Personnel (Leo Hill, Elizabeth Brochu, Brandy Hill, (alternate) Janelle Ingersoll)

**XII. OLD BUSINESS**

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### **XIII. NEW BUSINESS**

- a) Upon a motion by Brandy Hill and second by Beverly Brown the Board unanimously voted to approve the review of 2021-2022 MSAD 13 Opening Plan
- b) Upon a motion by Brandy Hill and second by Elizabeth Brochu the Board unanimously voted on last student day-June 14, 2023
- c) Upon a motion by Brandy Hill and second by Ann Ingersoll the Board unanimously voted to approve the first reading of policy FF-Naming School Buildings or Facilities
- d) Upon a motion by Ann Ingersoll and second by Karin Stevens the Board unanimously voted to approve the first reading of policy FF-E-Naming of An Area Within a School or On School Property Worksheet/Checklist
- e) Upon a motion by Pauline Lagasse and second by Brian Malloy the Board unanimously voted to approve the first reading of policy IKAB-Grading and Reporting of Student Progress as amended.
- f) Vote to approve the first reading of policy IKB-Homework was tabled.
- g) Upon a motion by Brandy Hill and second by Elizabeth Brochu the Board unanimously voted to approve the first reading of policy IKD-Honor Roll Policy
- h) Upon a motion by Ann Ingersoll and second by Beverly Brown the Board unanimously voted to approve the first reading of policy IKE – Promotion, Retention, and Acceleration of Students as amended.
- i) Upon a motion by Brandy Hill and second by Janelle Ingersoll the Board unanimously voted to approve the first reading of policy IKE-E-Factors to Be Considered in Retention
- j) Upon a motion by Brandy Hill and second by Ann Ingersoll the Board unanimously voted to approve the first reading of policy IKFA-Early Graduation
- k) The Superintendent would like to report to the Board that the following is a list of all continuing contract teachers, no action is required:

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| Jacqueline Abraham | Colby Atwood  | Wendy Belanger   |
| Mary Collins       | Vanessa Cook  | Natalie Costello |
| Cathy Foran        | Jena Kamps    | Karen LaForgia   |
| Caitlin McNear     | Marcy Melcher | Crystal Rollins  |
| Kattie Sweet       | Joy West      | Rebecca York     |
- l) Upon a motion by Brandy Hill and second by Ann Ingersoll the Board unanimously voted to approve the following teachers nominated by the Superintendent for a continuing contract beginning with the 2023-24 school year and authorized the Superintendent to issue contracts.

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| Isaac Davis   | Jessica Mills   |
| Edward Nevins | Kimberly Pooler |
- m) Upon a motion by Janelle Ingersoll and second by Brandy Hill the Board unanimously voted to approve the following teachers nominated by the Superintendent for a second probationary contract for 2023-24 and authorize the Superintendent to issue contracts.

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| Billie Hatfield | Blaise Kandiko |
| Nicole Tully    | Craig Turcotte |
- n) Upon a motion by Pauline Lagasse and second by Brandy Hill the Board voted to approve the budget for 2023-2024 in the amount of \$4,271,604. The motion passed with all voting in favor except Beverly Brown who voted against.
- o) Upon a motion by Ann Ingersoll and second by Janelle Ingersoll the Board unanimously voted to set May 30, 2023, for the district budget meeting and June 13, 2023, for the validation referendum for the 2023-24 budget.
- p) Upon a motion by Brandy Hill and second by Ann Ingersoll the Board unanimously voted that the warrant for the District Budget Meeting presented to this meeting be approved and that a District budget meeting be called for May 30, 2023, for the purpose of voting on that annual budget for the District for the 2023-2024 fiscal year;

Further voted: That the Warrant and Notice of Election for the District Budget Validation Referendum presented to the meeting be approved, and that a District budget validation referendum be called for June 13, 2023, for the purpose of approving the budget adopted at the District budget meeting for the 2023-2024 fiscal year.

Further voted: That the Notice of Amounts Adopted at Budget Meeting presented to this meeting be approved, and that the Secretary of the District be authorized and directed to complete said Notice by adding the amounts approved by the voters for each expenditure category and the total school budget summary expenditure amount, all in accordance with the District budget meeting on May 30, 2023 and to deliver attested copies of said notice, as completed, to the clerks of each municipality in the District for polling places for the June 13, 2023 District budget validation referendum.

Further voted: That the Budget Meeting Warrant, the Warrant and Notice of Election, and the Notice of Amounts Adopted at Budget Meeting shall each be signed by a majority of the Board of Directors.

- q) The Board of Directors signed warrants.
- r) Upon a motion by Ann Ingersoll and second by Pauline Lagasse the Board unanimously voted to authorize the Superintendent to apply for and expend monies, sign necessary forms, and otherwise act as agent of the Board of Directors of M.S.A.D. #13/RSU 83 under Title I, Title II, Drug Free and other federal projects that become available and are approved by the Board for 2023-2024.

**XIV. ADJOURNMENT-** The meeting was adjourned at 7:03 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Sandra J MacArthur  
Secretary to the Board