

RSU 54/MSAD 54

**Meeting of Board of Directors
May 10, 2018, 7:00 p.m.
Skowhegan Area Middle School**

A regular meeting of the Board of Directors of Maine School Administrative District No. 54 was held on May 10, 2018, at 7:00 p.m. at Skowhegan Area Middle School. Mark Bedard*, Goff French* and Brandy Morgan* were absent.

*excused

1. Call to Order

The Chair called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.
Flag Salute followed.

2. Good News and Recognitions

Steve Swindells, Principal of Canaan Elementary School, shared a news report that featured the school's tribute and show of respect to the community and law enforcement during the procession for Corporal Eugene Cole. Students and staff stood in front of the school with their hands over their hearts to honor Corporal Cole.

3. Approval of the Minutes – 4/26/18

**ON A MOTION BY Richard Irwin, seconded by Jennifer Poirier,
the Board voted to approve the minutes of the Board of Directors'
meetings of 4/26/18. (873 yes)**

4. Communications

a. Letters

The Superintendent acknowledged and accepted a letter of resignation from Scott Giroux, Math Teacher at Skowhegan Area High School, effective June 2018.

The Superintendent acknowledged and accepted a letter of resignation from Yvonne Rich, Ed Tech I at Skowhegan Area High School, effective 5/18/18.

b. School Personnel

Julie Kimball, who will be nominated tonight as Principal of Mill Stream Elementary School, introduced herself to the Board.

c. Visitors

A parent shared concerns with bus scheduling issues for special needs accommodations.

Representative Betty Austin recognized Teacher Appreciation Week and Bloomfield Elementary Teacher Patty Champagne, who was recently chosen as Somerset County Teacher of Year.

5. Committee Reports

a. Personnel Committee – 5/3/18

ON A MOTION BY Theresa Howard, seconded by Peggy Lovejoy, the Board voted to accept the minutes of the Personnel Committee meeting of 5/3/18 into the public record. (873 yes)

Theresa Howard, Committee Chair, reviewed the minutes and asked the Board to vote on the following recommendation:

ON A MOTION BY Theresa Howard, seconded by Peggy Lovejoy, the Board voted to approve the nomination of Julie Kimball as Principal of Mill Stream Elementary School in accordance with the contractual terms outlined by the Superintendent, with a two year contract. (873 yes)

6. Superintendent's Report

a. Vacancies, nominations, recommendations

ON A MOTION BY Jean Franklin, seconded by Maryellen Charles, the Board voted to approve nominations page one. (873 yes)

ON A MOTION BY Jeannie Conley, seconded by Jennifer Poirier, the Board voted to approve nominations of 2nd and 3rd year probationary teachers and 1st year continuing contract teachers (4th year) for 2018-2019. (873 yes)

b. Report on Assessment Payments to Date

The Superintendent shared that as of May 10, 2018, all six town were current on their monthly assessments. May assessment payments are due by the 20th.

c. Other

The Superintendent also reported on the following:

- The District enrollment as of 5/10/18 was 2,463 (last report-2,460)
- Due to scheduling conflicts with senior activities, the next Board meeting will be on Wednesday, May 23rd.
- Updated budget schedule, including various town selectmen's meetings, was shared with the Board.

7. Assistant Superintendent and Support Services Manager

The Assistant Superintendent shared news and events taking place in the schools.

A meeting to review our School and District Comprehensive Needs Assessment (CNA) and School Administrative Unit (SAU) Consolidated Plans will be held prior to the District Budget Meeting on Monday, May 21st, from 5:30 pm to 6:45 pm, in the high school library.

The Support Services Manager shared that crews are gearing up for summer projects. Bus route changes are being reviewed for 2018-2019 school year.

8. Approval and Signing of Warrants for District Budget Meeting, Validation Referendum and to Authorize the Notice of Amounts Adopted

ON A MOTION BY Jean Franklin, seconded by Lynda Quinn, the Board voted to call and approve the Warrants for the District Budget Meeting and the Validation Referendum and to Authorize the Notice of Amounts Adopted,” in form presented to this meeting and that a copy of said Vote be included with the minutes of this meeting.

That the warrant for the Maine School Administrative District No. 54 (the “District”) Budget Meeting presented to the meeting be approved and that a District budget meeting be called for May 21, 2018 for the purpose of voting on the annual budget for the District for the 2018-2019 fiscal year;

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 12, 2018 for the purpose of approving the budget adopted at the District budget meeting for the 2018-2019 fiscal year; and

That the form of Notice of Amounts Adopted at Budget Meeting presented to this meeting be approved, and that the Superintendent of Schools of the District be authorized and directed to complete said Notice in accordance with the District budget meeting on May 21, 2018, and to cause copies of said Notice, as completed, to be delivered to the municipal clerks of each municipality of the District for posting at the polling places for the June 12, 2018 District Budget Validation Referendum.

(873 yes)

9. Old and Unfinished Business

No old and unfinished business was discussed.

10. Introduction of New Business not listed on the Agenda

The Superintendent requested the Board's approval to amend the 2017-2018 school calendar to extend the last day of school from June 15th to June 18th, due to the additional snow day beyond the five allotted days figured into the calendar.

ON A MOTION BY Theresa Howard, seconded by Jeannie Conley, the Board voted to approve the revise the 2017-2018 school calendar to move the last day of school from June 15th to June 18th. (873 yes)

11. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 7:59 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Brent H. Colbry, Superintendent of Schools