

RSU 54/MSAD 54

**Meeting of Board of Directors
June 29, 2017, 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 June 29, 2017, at 7:00 p.m. at Skowhegan Area Middle School. Bob Gardner*, Desiree Libby* 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

There was no scheduled presentation for this meeting.

3. Approval of the Minutes – 6/15/17

ON A MOTION BY Richard Irwin, seconded by Theresa Howard, the Board voted to approve the minutes of the Board of Directors' meetings of 6/15/17. (762 yes)

4. Communications

a. Letters

The Superintendent acknowledged and accepted a letter of resignation from James Easler, AIT Instructor at Skowhegan Area High school.

The Superintendent acknowledged and accepted a letter of resignation from Matthew Friedman, Head Varsity Football Coach and Ed Tech at Skowhegan Area High School.

The Superintendent acknowledged and accepted a letter of retirement from Lucille Faucher-Kuhlman.

b. School Personnel – No School Personnel wished to speak.

c. Visitors – No visitors wished to speak.

5. Committee Reports - There were no reports.

6. Superintendent's Report

a. Vacancies, nominations, recommendations

ON A MOTION BY Goff French, seconded by Amy Rouse, the Board voted to approve revised nominations page one. (762 yes)

b. Report on Assessment Payments to Date

The Superintendent shared that as of June 29, 2017, the towns of Canaan, Cornville, Norridgewock, Skowhegan and Smithfield were current on their monthly assessment, with Mercer outstanding for June. Assessment are due on the 20th of each month.

c. MSAD 54/KVCAP Pre-K Partnership

Following meetings with KVCAP representatives, the Superintendents requested the Board's approval of partnering with KVCAP for Pre-K Before and After School Program that would include full-day preschool services.

ON A MOTION BY Jennifer Poirier, seconded by Jean Franklin, the Board approved the District partnering with KVCAP for a Pre-K Before and After School Program. (762 yes)

d. Review of Budget Updates

The Superintendent updated the Board on the tentative agreement on the state budget that would send roughly \$147 million more state aid out to school districts over the next two years, with the caveat that 50 percent of it be used for property tax reduction.

e. Other

ii. Naming of School Facility

The Superintendent requested the Board's approval of the Naming of the Skowhegan Area High School Gymnasium in memory of Donald Finley, a longtime Teacher, Athletic Director and Coach. As part of Board policy on Naming School Facilities, public notices were posted in the newspaper and on the District's website, seeking any input there may be regarding the naming of the gym.

ON A MOTION BY Theresa Howard, seconded by Mark Bedard, the Board voted to approve the Naming of the Skowhegan Area High School Gymnasium in the memory of Donald Finley. (762 yes)

7. Assistant Superintendent and Support Services Manager

The Assistant Superintendent updated the Board on various end of school activities taking place throughout the district, as well as the following:

- Interview process for new hires is going well.
- Summer Curriculum work and preparation for August professional development and new staff orientation continue.

The Support Services Manager reported that snowplow bids are scheduled for June 30th. Construction crews are ahead of schedule on the abatement work; the high school gym bleachers are scheduled to arrive on July 17th.

A pre-construction meeting on the Middle School Roof work is scheduled for July 10th.

8. Old and Unfinished Business

No old and unfinished business was discussed.

9. Introduction of New Business not listed on the Agenda

The next Board meeting is tentatively scheduled for July 20th.

10. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 7:45 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Brent H. Colbry, Superintendent of Schools