

RSU 54/MSAD 54

**Meeting of Board of Directors
March 7, 2019, 7:00 PM
Skowhegan Area High School**

A regular meeting of the Board of Directors of Maine School Administrative District No. 54 was held on March 7, 2019, at 7:00 PM at Skowhegan Area High School.

1. Call to Order

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

The Chair welcomed recently elected Kathy Wilder (Norr) to the Board, and introductions were made.

2. Approval of the Minutes – 2/28/19

ON A MOTION BY Richard Irwin, seconded by Jennifer Poirier, the Board voted to approve the minutes of the Board of Directors' meeting of 2/28/19, into the public record. (999 yes)

3. Brief Executive Session for Consultation between the District and its Attorney per Title 1, M.R.S.A., §405(6)(E)

The Chair read a statement outlining the agenda for the meeting and the established guidelines for Board members.

The Chair requested a motion for the Board to enter into executive session to consult with its attorney.

ON A MOTION BY Theresa Howard, seconded by Jean Franklin, the Board voted to enter into executive session at 7:06 pm for consultation between the District and its Attorney per Title 1, M.R.S.A., §405(6)(E). (999 yes)

The Board returned to regular session at 7:22 pm

4. Board enters into Workshop Session to discuss the Native American Nickname/Mascot Issue

The Chair commenced the Workshop Session. Board members were given three minutes to share their thoughts on the topic. No public participation was allowed nor debate amongst Board members.

5. Board returns to Regular Order to discuss any potential action on the Native American Nickname/Mascot Issue

The Board returned to regular session at 8:04 pm, at which time the Chair opened the floor to any potential action.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY Sarah Bunker, seconded by Derek Ellis, to respectfully retire the Indian Name and Imagery from Skowhegan Area High School.

The Chair opened the floor to any discussion. Darcy Surette (Cornville), requested that the motion be amended to include all schools and to state MSAD 54 as opposed to Skowhegan Area High School.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY Sarah Bunker, seconded by Derek Ellis, to amend the motion to include all school in MSAD 54 as opposed to Skowhegan Area High School. (558 yes, 388 no)

The Chair requested that the amended motion be repeated. Sarah Bunker read the amended motion as follows:

A MOTION WAS MADE BY Sarah Bunker, seconded by Derek Ellis to respectfully retire the Indian Name, Imagery and Mascot from MSAD 54. (558 yes, 441 no)

ROLL CALL:

YES (558): Sarah Bunker 16; Maryellen Charles 16; Jeannie Conley 53; Derek Ellis 53; Haley Fleming 46; Theresa Howard 30; Christy Johnson 27; Desire Libby 46; Peggy Lovejoy 53; Brandy Morgan 46; Dixie Ring 43; Amy Rouse 53; Darcy Surette 30; Kathy Wilder 46

NO (441): Mark Bedard 53; Harold Bigelow 53; Jean Franklin 43; Goff French 27; Richard Irwin 53; Jennifer Poirier 53; Lynda Quinn 53; Karen Smith 53; Todd Smith 53

6. Adjournment

ON A MOTION BY Lynda Quinn, seconded by Peggy Lovejoy, the Board voted to adjourn at 8:16 pm. (999 yes)

Respectfully Submitted,

Brent H. Colbry, Superintendent of Schools