

MAINE SCHOOL ADMINISTRATIVE DISTRICT NO. 1  
Castle Hill - Chapman - Mapleton - Westfield - Presque Isle

MINUTES  
**Board of Directors**

Presque Isle Middle School  
February 12, 2014  
5:30 P.M.

**Directors Present:**

Paul Barrett (8)	Susan Goulet (14)
Carol Bell (6)	John Johnston (15)
Jim Bubar (10)	Lucy Richard (12)
Brent Buck (1)	Paul Saija (17)
Robert Cawley (5)	Terry Sandusky (3)
Curtis Culberson (11)	Melissa Vance (4)
Julie Freeman (16)	Lori Kenneson (9)

**Directors Absent:** Sue Cook (13), Joanna Newlands (2) and Scott Norton (7).

**Others Present:** Approximately 15 members of the public and 1 member of the press.

Chairperson Lucy Richard introduced Principal Anne Blanchard who welcomed the Board to Presque Isle Middle School. PIMS teachers Lisa Dow, Marie Waddell, Kevin Malenfant and Library Media Specialist Gail Hagelstein provided the Board with an overview of student Learning Workshops being implemented at the middle school.

2. **Announcements**

With unanimous approval of the Board, Item 8A "Consideration of Entering Into a Contract with MSMA concerning the Superintendent Search" was added to the Agenda.

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3. **Public Participation**

There were no requests for Public Participation.

4. **Approval of Minutes**

A word omission was noted in the minutes - Item #9 should read "Curriculum Director Larry Fox"...

It was moved by Paul Saija and seconded by Paul Barrett to approve the minutes with correction to be made. Motion carried unanimously.

5. **Committee Reports**

Robert Cawley, Chair of the Curriculum Committee, and Curriculum Director Larry Fox reported the committee met on February 5, 2014 with PIMS Principal Anne Blanchard and the grade 7 math team to review new programming in grade 7 math.

6. **Financial Statement(s)/Bills & Warrants Signed to Date**

It was moved by Curtis Culberson and seconded by Jim Bubar to approve the Financial Statement(s)/Bills & Warrants Signed to Date as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

7. **Superintendent's Report**

Superintendent Johnson provided the Board with a draft of the FY14-15 school calendar. He reported that MSAD #1 has been working with surrounding communities to develop a common calendar, and reviewed the PK-8 and 9-12 calendars with the Board. It was moved by Terry Sandusky and seconded by Paul Saija to approve the FY14-15 school calendar as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

Business Manager Charles Anderson provided the Board with an update on the FY15 Budget. He reported more information from Augusta should be available in the coming month.

Superintendent Johnson reported that MSAD #1 will be providing transportation services for the 2014 World Cup Junior Biathlon Championship.

Superintendent Johnson read the following retirements into the minutes:

Larry Fox, Curriculum Director - Effective June 2014.

It was moved by Terry Sandusky and seconded by Jim Bubar to approve the retirement as presented with letter of appreciation to be sent. Motion carried unanimously.

Donna Lisnik, Principal, Presque Isle High School - Effective June 2014.

It was moved by Curtis Culberson and seconded by Brent Buck to approve the retirement as presented with letter of appreciation to be sent. Motion carried unanimously.

8. **Consideration of Amendment to Policy IKE: Promotion, Retention, and Acceleration of Students**

Curriculum Director Larry Fox presented a revised copy of Policy IKE, and noted date changes in the policy (to start 2015-2016 school year with class of 2019 being the first class to graduate under this change). It was moved by Terry Sandusky and seconded by Carol Bell to approve the amended Policy IKE as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

8a. **Consideration of Retaining MSMA To Assist in the Superintendent Search Process**

It was moved by Terry Sandusky and seconded by Paul Saija to approve the hiring of MSMA to assist in the 2014 Superintendent Search process. Motion carried unanimously.

9. **Consideration of Maine Education Mandates (Update on Performance Evaluation and Professional Growth Systems)**

Curriculum Director Larry Fox reviewed proposed changes to MSAD #1's performance evaluation and Professional Growth Systems. No action was taken.

10. **Consideration of Administrative Planning & Negotiation of Services Regarding MSAD #1's International School Initiative (Executive Session) Pursuant to 1 MRSA § 405(6)(A)**

It was moved by Brent Buck and seconded by Paul Saija to move into Executive Session for Consideration of Administrative Planning & Negotiations of Services Regarding MSAD #1's International School Initiative. Motion carried.

Executive Session commenced at 6:30 P.M.

Open Session resumed at 6:39 P.M.

No action was taken.

11. **Adjournment**

It was moved by Jim Bubar and seconded by Brent Buck to adjourn at 6:40 P.M. Motion carried.

/s/ Respectfully submitted,

Gehrig T. Johnson