MINUTES
Board of Directors

Board Conference Room
September 11, 2013
5:30 P.M.

Directors Present:

Carol Bell (6)  Lori Kenneson (9)
Jim Bubar (10)  Barbara Ladner (8)
Brent Buck (1)  Joanna Newlands (2)
Robert Cawley (5)  Scott Norton (7)
Susan Cook (13)  Lucy Richard (12)
Curtis Culberson (11)  Paul Saija (17)
Julie Freeman (16)  Terry Sandusky (3)
Susan Goulet (14)  Melissa Vance (4)
John R. Johnston (15)

Others Present:  There were approximately 15 members of the public and 1 member of the press.

1. Call to Order

Chairperson Lucy Richard called the meeting to order at 5:34 P.M.

She then introduced Larry Fox, Curriculum Director and Terry Wood, Adult Education Director.

2. Announcements

Chairperson Lucy Richard announced the following meeting dates:

Board of Directors - October 9, 2013 - 5:30 P.M. - Mapleton Elementary School
Board of Directors - November 20, 2013 - 5:30 P.M. - Zippel Elementary School

3. Public Participation

There were no requests for Public Participation.

4. Approval of Minutes

It was moved by Paul Saija and seconded by Scott Norton to approve the minutes of August 7, 2013 as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

5. Committee Reports

Melissa Vance, Vocational Committee member, reported the Vocational Committee met on September 4, 2013 with the CTE Faculty and Advisory Committee to review evaluation of
vocational programs.

Paul Saija, Chair of the Building & Grounds Committee, announced the committee will meet on Monday, September 23, 2013, 6:00 P.M. to tour Presque Isle High School.

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

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

7. Superintendent’s Report

Superintendent Johnson updated the Board on the MSMA Fall Conference to be held October 24 & 25, 2013 in Augusta.

It was moved by Lucy Richard and seconded by Jim Bubar to appoint Paul Saija as the MSAD #1 Delegate to the MSMA Fall Conference. Motion carried unanimously.

Superintendent Johnson provided the Board with current school enrollment numbers as of September 10, 2013, as well as projected enrollment figures for 2013-2023. Discussion followed.

Business Manager Charles Anderson presented a summer projects update. He reported that 2.3 million in upgrades are proceeding on time and under budget.

Superintendent Johnson reported on security measures currently being implemented at all Pre-K - 8 schools. Entrances will be locked down to improve security at the schools. Discussion followed.

Superintendent Johnson updated the Board on MSAD #1's China initiative. He reported that PIHS is expecting 10 Chinese students to be enrolled in the fall of 2014.

8. Resolution to Authorize the District to Borrow $2.3 Million Dollars in General Obligation Bonds Through the Maine Bond Bank

It was moved by Jim Bubar and seconded by Curtis Culberson that the Resolution entitled, "Resolution to Authorize $2,300,000 Loan Agreement, Issuance of Bonds, and Related Documentation to Finance energy conservation and heating systems improvements, school security improvements, and other renovations and improvements to District schools," be approved in form presented to this meeting, and that an attested copy of said Resolution be included with the minutes of this meeting.

Mr. Anderson provided an overview of the Bank Bond Anticipation Note. Discussion followed. Motion carried unanimously.

9. Consideration of Advice of Attorney Regarding Litigation of a District Policy (Executive Session 1 M.R.S.A. § 405(6)(E)
It was moved by Brent Buck and seconded by Paul Saija to move into Executive Session for Consideration of Advice of Attorney Regarding Litigation of a District Policy. Motion carried.

Executive Session commenced at 6:15 P.M.

Open Session resumed at 6:35 P.M.

No action was taken.

10. Consideration of Staff Appointment(s)

Superintendent Johnson recommended the following teacher for appointment for the 2013-2014 school year:

Kristi Greaves - 1/2 time Pre-K teacher at Pine Street Elementary School (1 Year Only)

It was moved by Paul Saija and seconded by Brent Buck to approve the appointment as recommended. Motion carried unanimously.

11. Consideration of Staff Resignation(s)

A resignation letter was presented to the Board:

Sharmon Clark - Special Education Teacher - Presque Isle Middle School (effective August 15, 2013).

It was moved by Scott Norton and seconded by Curtis Culberson to accept the resignation as presented with letter of regret to be sent. Motion carried unanimously.

A retirement letter was presented to the Board:

Gehrig T. Johnson, Superintendent of Schools (Effective December 31, 2014).

It was moved by John Johnston and seconded by Jim Bubar to accept the retirement as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

12. Adjournment

It was duly moved and seconded to adjourn at 6:40 P.M. Motion carried.

/s/ Respectfully submitted,

Gehrig T. Johnson