

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

MINUTES  
**DISTRICT BUDGET MEETING**

Presque Isle High School Cafeteria  
May 8, 2019  
7:00 P.M.

Dr. Gehrig T. Johnson, Superintendent of Schools, opened the meeting at 7:00 p.m.

The following members of the Board of Directors were present: Carol Bell (6), James Bubar (10), Robert Cawley (5), Curtis Culberson (11), Roberta Fitzgerald-Hathaway (8), Jane James (1), John R. Johnston (15), Lori Kenneson (9), Julie Freeman (16), Lucy Richard (12), Stephen Sutter (7), Paul Saija (17), Terry Sandusky (3), Susan Goulet (14), and Michael Ouellette (4). Absent: Joanna Newlands (2) and Vacant (13).

There were approximately 61 voters present.

**Article 1: To elect a Moderator**

Superintendent Carpenter called for nominations for Moderator. Frank Bemis was placed in nomination by Robert Gagnon and seconded by Dan Duprey. It was moved by Robert Gagnon and duly seconded that nominations cease. A voice vote was taken on the nomination of Frank Bemis. Vote carried. Frank Bemis was sworn in as Moderator by Superintendent Johnson.

**Article 2: To see what sum the District will be authorized to expend for Regular Instruction. (Board of School Directors Recommends \$8,713,762).**

It was moved by Robert Gagnon and seconded by Dan Duprey to authorize the District to expend \$8,713,762 for Regular Instruction. Motion carried by hand vote.

**Article 3: To see what sum the District will be authorized to expend for Special Education. (Board of School Directors Recommends \$3,314,768).**

It was moved by Robert Gagnon and seconded by Loretta Clark to authorize the District to expend \$3,314,768 for Special Education. Motion carried by hand vote.

**Article 4: To see what sum the District will be authorized to expend for Career & Technical Education (CTE). (Board of School Directors Recommends \$1,612,701).**

It was moved by Robert Gagnon and seconded by Ralph Michaud to authorize the District to expend \$1,612,701 for CTE. Motion carried by hand vote.

**Article 5: To see what sum the District will be authorized to expend for Other Instruction. (Board of School Directors Recommends \$881,200).**

It was moved by Robert Gagnon and seconded by Ellyn Smith to authorize the District to expend \$881,200 for Other Instruction. Motion carried by hand vote.

***Article 6: To see what sum the District will be authorized to expend for Students & Staff Support (Board of School Directors Recommends \$2,209,567)***

It was moved by Robert Gagnon and seconded by Timothy Prescott to authorize the District to expend \$2,209,567 for Students & Staff Support. Motion carried by hand vote.

***Article 7: To see what sum the District will be authorized to expend for System Administration. (Board of School Directors Recommends \$760,497).***

It was moved by Robert Gagnon and seconded by Barbara Bartlett to authorize the District to expend \$760,497 for System Administration. David Gardner, Chapman resident commented. Discussion followed. Motion carried by hand vote.

***Article 8: To see what sum the District will be authorized to expend for School Administration. (Board of School Directors Recommends \$1,251,791).***

It was moved by Robert Gagnon and seconded by Dan Duprey to authorize the District to expend \$1,251,791 for School Administration. Motion carried by hand vote.

***Article 9: To see what sum the District will be authorized to expend for Transportation & Buses. (Board of School Directors Recommends \$2,523,355).***

It was moved by Robert Gagnon and seconded by Timothy Prescott to authorize the District to expend \$2,523,355 for Transportation & Buses. Motion carried by hand vote.

***Article 10: To see what sum the District will be authorized to expend for Facilities Maintenance. (Board of School Directors Recommends \$3,274,892).***

It was moved by Robert Gagnon and seconded by Ben Greenlaw to authorize the District to expend \$3,274,892 for Facilities Maintenance. David Gardner, Chapman resident commented. Discussion followed. Motion carried by hand vote.

***Article 11: To see what sum the District will be authorized to expend for Debt Service & Other Commitments. (Board of School Directors Recommends \$265,051).***

It was moved by Robert Gagnon and seconded by Ben Greenlaw to authorize the District to expend \$265,051 for Debt Service & Other Commitments. Motion carried by hand vote.

***Article 12: To see what sum the District will be authorized to expend for All Other Expenditures including School Lunch. (Board of School Directors Recommends \$350,000).***

It was moved by Ralph Michaud and seconded by Robert Gagnon to authorize the District to expend \$350,000 for All Other Expenditures including School Lunch. Motion carried by hand vote.

**Article 13:** To see what sum the municipality will appropriate from the school administrative unit's contribution to the total cost of funding public education for Pre-Kindergarten to Grade 12 as described in the Essential Programs and Services Funding Act and to see what sum each municipality will raise as each municipality's contribution to the total cost of funding public education from Pre-Kindergarten to Grade 12 as described in the Essential Programs and Services funding Act in accordance with the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 20-A, § 15688.

**Recommended amounts set forth below:**

<b>Total allocated (by municipality)</b>		<b>Total raised (and District assessments by municipality)</b>	
Castle Hill	\$ 433,845	Castle Hill	\$ 216,660
Chapman	\$ 672,365	Chapman	\$ 257,922
Mapleton	\$ 3,528,982	Mapleton	\$ 1,119,594
Presque Isle	\$13,571,274	Presque Isle	\$ 4,624,656
Westfield	\$ 574,703	Westfield	\$ 250,608
<b>Total Appropriated</b>	<b>\$18,781,171</b>	<b>Total Raised</b>	<b>\$6,469,440</b>

It was moved by Robert Gagnon and seconded by Ben Greenlaw to approve Article 13 as written and stated at the May 8, 2019 District Budget Meeting. Motion carried by a hand vote.

**Article 14:** To see what sum the District will raise and appropriate for the annual payments on debt service previously approved by the legislative body for non-state funded school construction projects and non-state funded portions of school construction projects in addition to the funds appropriated as the local share of the school administrative unit's contribution to the total cost of funding public education from Pre-Kindergarten to Grade 12. (Board of School Directors recommends \$265,051).

It was moved by Robert Gagnon and seconded by Laura Roope to authorize the District to expend \$265,051 for the local share of this school administrative unit's debt service. Motion carried by a hand vote.

**Article 15:** To see what sum the District will raise and appropriate in additional local funds. (Board of School Directors recommends \$1,913,324) which will exceed the State's Essential Programs and Service Allocation model by \$1,913,324).

Written ballots were then gathered and counted. Motion carried for 59 and against 2 to raise \$1,913,324 in additional local funds.

**Article 16:** To see if in the event that MSAD #1 receives more state education subsidy than the amount included in its budget, shall the School Board be authorized to use all or part of the additional state subsidy to increase expenditures for school purposes in cost center categories approved by the School Board, increase the allocation of finances in a reserve fund approved by the School board, and/or decrease the local cost share expectation, as defined in Title 20-A, § 15671-A(1)(B), for local property taxpayers for funding public education as approved by the School Board?

***Explanation: Authorizes the School board to adjust the budget if State funding for public schools changes after approval.***

It was moved by Robert Gagnon and seconded by Ellyn Smith to approve authorization of the School Board to adjust the budget if State funding for public schools changes after approval. Motion carried by a hand vote.

***Article 17: To see what sum the District will authorize the Board of School Directors to expend for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2019 and ending June 30, 2020, from the school administrative unit's contribution to the total cost of funding public education from Pre-Kindergarten to Grade 12 as described in the Essential Programs and Services Funding Act, unexpended balances, tuition receipts, state subsidy, and other receipts for the support of schools. (Board of School Directors recommends \$25,157,584).***

It was moved by Dan Duprey and seconded by Robert Gagnon that the District authorize the Board of School Directors to expend \$25,157,584 for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2019 and ending June 30, 2020 from the school administrative unit's contribution to the total cost of funding public education from Pre-Kindergarten to Grade 12 as described in the Essential Programs and Services Funding Act, unexpended balances, tuition receipts, state subsidy, and other receipts for the support of schools. Motion carried by a hand vote.

***Article 18: To see if the District will appropriate \$298,847 for Adult Education and raise \$170,000 as the local share, with authorization to expend any additional, incidental, or miscellaneous receipts in and for the well-being of the Adult Education Program. (Board of School Directors recommends \$170,000).***

It was moved by Robert Gagnon and seconded by Chris Hallett to appropriate \$170,000 for Adult Education and raise \$170,000 as the local share, with authorization to expend any additional, incidental, or miscellaneous receipts in and for the well-being of the Adult Education Program. Motion carried by a hand vote.

It was duly moved and seconded to adjourn at 7:37 p.m. Motion carried by a hand vote.

/s/      Respectfully submitted,

Gehrig T. Johnson