

**REGIONAL SCHOOL UNIT #20**  
**Searsport • Stockton Springs**

**The Finance Committee will meet at 6:00 pm at the Central Office prior to the Board meeting.**

**AGENDA**  
**BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING**  
**Tuesday, April 13, 2021 - 6:30 P.M.**  
**Searsport District Middle/High School Cafetorium**  
**\*\*\*REMOTE AND IN-PERSON\*\*\***

1. CALL THE MEETING TO ORDER
2. ADJUSTMENTS TO THE AGENDA
3. ACTION: TO ACCEPT THE BOARD MEETING AGENDA
4. RECOGNITIONS
5. CONSIDERATION OF MINUTES
  - A. Regular Board Meeting Minutes of March 9, 2021
6. CONSENT AGENDA (Minutes)
  - A. Finance Committee Minutes for March 9, 2021
  - B. Policy Committee Minutes for March 1, 2021 & March 15, 2021
  - C. Building, Grounds & Transportation Minutes for March 29, 2021
7. PRESENTATIONS
8. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION
9. REPORT FROM THE SUPERINTENDENT
10. COMMITTEE REPORTS
  - A. Finance Committee
  - B. Policy Committee
  - C. Building, Grounds & Transportation Committee
11. OLD BUSINESS
  - A. Consideration of approval of the following spring sports coaches-
    1. MS Baseball-Connor Kneeland
    2. MS Softball- Clae Seekins

- B. Consideration of approval of the following spring sports volunteers-
  - 1. Baseball - R.J. Robertson, Otis Kneeland, Melvin Grant & Brock Frye
  - 2. Softball – Sharon and Greg Keach
  - 3. HS Track - Jeff Golder
  - 4. MS Track – Mike Vasiliauskas

12. NEW BUSINESS

- A. Consideration of approval of the 2021-2022 School Budget
- B. Consideration of approval for transfer of Amy Hafford, Gr 3 Teacher, to Gr 4 Teacher, SES
- C. Consideration of approval of the following contract extensions:
  - 1. Larry Clement, SES Principal – 6/30/23
  - 2. Joshua Toothaker, Searsport District Middle/High School Principal – 06/30/23
  - 3. Daniel Ormsby, Dean SES – 06/30/23
  - 4. Russ Flagg, B G & T Director – 06/30/23
  - 5. Dhyana Blanchard, Business Manager – 06/30/23
  - 6. Robert Bradford, IT & Data Director – 06/30/23
  - 7. Amanda Little, Special Education Director – 06/30/23
  - 8. Tina Cook, Nutrition Director – 06/30/22
  - 9. Chris Hart, Athletic Director – 06/30/22
- D. Second Reading of ESEA and Title 1 & 2 Coordinator Job Description
- E. Change on Substitute Pay Schedule – Mini Bus Sub Driver Pay Rate

13. DATE, TIME AND LOCATION FOR NEXT BOARD MEETING

14. ADJOURNMENT

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**MINUTES**  
**BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING**  
**Tuesday March 9, 2021 - 6:30 P.M.**  
**Searsport District Middle/High School Cafetorium**  
**\*\*\*REMOTE AND IN-PERSON\*\*\***

Board Members Present: Tony Bagley, Kris Braga, Denise Dakin, Joshua McFarlin, Dave Walsh  
Others Present: Chris Downing, Dhyana Blanchard, Joshua Toothaker, Kim Andersson, Larry Clement, Dan Ormsby, Russ Flagg, Amanda Little, Robert Bradford

1. CALL THE MEETING TO ORDER – Tony Bagley called the meeting to order at 6:37 PM
2. ADJUSTMENTS TO THE AGENDA:  
Under Old Business: Move “Letter A.” to “Letter E.” under New Business
3. ACTION: TO ACCEPT THE BOARD MEETING AGENDA WITH ADJUSTMENTS  
A motion was made by Tony Bagley and seconded by Joshua McFarlin to accept the adjusted agenda for March 9, 2021.

**VOTE: 5-0-0**

4. RECOGNITIONS: NONE
5. CONSIDERATION OF MINUTES  
A. Regular Board Meeting of February 9, 2021  
A motion was made by Denise Dakin and seconded by Kris Braga to accept the minutes of the March 9, 2021 Regular School Board Meeting.

**VOTE: 5-0-0**

6. CONSENT AGENDAS (Minutes) – Consensus Approved
  - A. Policy Committee Meeting of February 8, 2021
  - B. Finance Committee Meeting of February 9, 2021
  - C. Building, Grounds & Transportation Committee Meeting of February 24, 2021

7. PRESENTATIONS - NONE

8. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION – NONE

9. REPORT FROM THE SUPERINTENDENT –

- Recognized Clarence Elden from Stockton Springs, who passed away and served “with pride” for 21 years on the former MSAD #56 School Board.
- Update on the vaccination protocol from DOE and local health centers; 60+ years old staff registrations are provided to DOE, other staff may contact Walgreens, WalMart and Hannafords. Individuals need to register for appointment.

- Upcoming Committee Minutes:
  - Monday, March 15 - Policy Committee Meeting at 6:00 PM Central Office
  - Monday, March 22 - Personnel Committee Meeting at 6:00 PM Central Office
  - Monday, March 29 – Building, Grounds & Transportation Committee Meeting at 6:00 PM Central Office
- Superintendent announced that a “Return 21 Committee” will be developed to address returning to school year 2021-2022; representatives from staff, board, administration and parents/community will be involved. More information will be forthcoming.

## 10. COMMITTEE REPORTS

### A. Policy Committee:

- Committee has been meeting to discuss Policy JL-R, aligning and cross referencing policies and laws on the nutritional aspect of celebrations, rewards and food coming into school.
- JICA (Student Dress) meetings have been held with HS Student Council, MS Student Council and Civil Rights Team.

### B. Finance Committee:

- 2021-2022 Budget was provided and will be presented to Board under New Business
- Current Budget is in good shape.

### C. Building, Grounds & Transportation Committee:

- Review points of meeting
- Contacts are being made to install lights on athletic fields; would have positive results for athletic program and commonly used.
- Track and Field Proposal
- Natural Gas information
- Finishing parking lot this spring
- Developed a 5-Year Plan

## 11. OLD BUSINESS

### A. Consideration of approval of the following spring sports volunteers-

1. Baseball - R.J. Robertson, Otis Kneeland, Melvin Grant & Brock Frye
2. Softball – Sharon and Greg Keach
3. HS Track - Jeff Golder
4. MS Track – Mike Vasiliauskas

A motion was made by Tony Bagley and seconded by Denise Dakin to table nominations until MPA Spring Bulletins are provided.

**VOTE: 5-0-0**

## 12. NEW BUSINESS

### A. Presentation of the Proposed 2021-2022 School Budget -

Business Manager Dhyana Blanchard and Superintendent Chris Downing presented Initial Budget Proposal for 2021-2022 School Year.

Chairman Tony Bagley stated the initial presentation will provide members with information and that questions should be emailed to Dhyana. The budget workshops provide board members the additional opportunity to ask questions.

### B. 4<sup>TH</sup> Quarter Discussion –

- Superintendent recommended RSU 20 continue the current educational plan for MS/HS at 4 days in-person with Wednesday being remote, SES at 5 days in-person with remote

team. Currently remote numbers are SES = 35 (18%), MS at 11 (12%) and HS at 32 (25%)

A motion was made by Dave Walsh and seconded by Kris Braga to approve 4<sup>th</sup> Quarter Educational Plan.

*Discussion: Tony Bagley would like to see 5 days but understands the rationale; looking at 5 day for 2021-2022.*

**VOTE: 4-0-1 (Dakin-Abstained)**

C. Second Reading of the Proposed 2020-2021 School Calendar

*Discussion: No changes since first reading on February 9, 2021*

**VOTE: 5-0-0**

D. First Reading of ESEA and Title 1 & 2 Coordinator Job Description

E. Consideration of approval for the renewal of contract for Kim Andersson, Dean of Students, Searsport District Middle/High School through June 30, 2022.

A motion was made by Denise Dakin and seconded by Kris Braga to approve Kim Andersson's contract Dean of Students, Searsport District Middle/High School through June 30, 2022.

**VOTE: 5-0-0**

13. DATE, TIME AND LOCATION FOR NEXT BOARD MEETING.

The next meeting of the Board of Directors will be Tuesday, April 13, 2021 at 6:30 PM in the Searsport District Middle/High School Cafetorium. The Financial Committee Meeting will be at 6:00 PM at Central Office.

14. ADJOURNMENT.

A motion was made by Kris Braga and seconded by Joshua McFarlin to adjourn at 7:10 PM.

**VOTE: 5-0-0**

Respectfully submitted,



Chris Downing  
Superintendent of Schools