

MSAD #8 School Board Special District Meeting
June 13, 2018
School Library
6:15-6:30 PM

1. Call to order by Superintendent Crawford at 6:15
2. Election of District Meeting Moderator: Motion L. Lazaro/second R. Noyes to appoint Renee Jones as moderator. (6-0)
3. Action to expend from Minor Capital Reserves up to \$12,000 for server room air conditioning and up to \$3,000 to paint the central lobby as discussed decided in Board Budget Work Sessions. This work will be completed during the summer of 2018. Moved by L. Lazaro/second Kathy Warren (5-0)
4. Adjournment at 6:17

MSAD #8 School Board Regular Meeting Minutes
June 13, 2018
Middle School Science Room
Warrant Signing 6:00 PM
Regular Meeting 6:30 PM

Board Members Present: Renee Jones, Virginia Wadleigh, Laura Lazaro, Kathi Young, Rachel Noyes

Administration Present: Superintendent Roy Crawford, Principal Ann Kirkpatrick

5. Call to order by R. Joes and Pledge to the Flag at 6:30 PM
6. Action on the following minutes of May 23 regular meeting: **Motion K. Young/second R. Noyes to approve (5-0)**
7. Communications: none
8. Approval of the agenda: Roy requested that a draft of Restraint and Seclusion Policy and Regulations, plus the minutes of the May 16 District Budget Meeting be added to the agenda. **Motion R. Noyes/ second K. Young to approve the agenda with those additions. (5-0)**
9. **Motion R. Noyes/second L. Lazaro to approve the minutes of the May 16 District Budget Meeting (5-0)**
10. Questions and comments from the public:
 - Parent thanked Ms. Kirkpatrick for having the schedule complete before the end of school for the first time in several years.
 - Several members of the audience commented on the inappropriate behavior of children at the recent choral concert that was not a school event. Some of these children were actually with their parents. In the future, a common announcement regarding audience behavior will precede each event and children will continue to “practice” appropriate behaviors at school assemblies. Ms. Keller can provide an announcement she uses at school productions.

- A parent lamented the fact that there was no elementary drama performance this year. Ms. Keller explained the philosophy behind this decision but is “very happy to be flexible” in this regard.
- Raising senior Molly Wentworth presented her classmates’ feelings that senior privileges should continue in their current form next year because:
Students are more focused studying at home than in the school library.
Students need to learn to work without supervision, as they will be required to do in college.
Students will honor the senior privileges signing in/out rules

Mr. Crawford pointed out that there is no Board policy on senior privileges but that such a policy will be included in the student handbook that the board will be asked to approve in August. Roy will let Molly know when that discussion will take place.

11. Principal’s Report by Ann Kirkpatrick:

- Projected a rubric, based on the Guiding Principles and Habits of Work, that will be used to determine student extra curricular eligibility next year. The policy will be presented to the Board when details are completed.
- Projected next year’s master schedule that was developed by a committee of Ann and seven teachers. Chloe Keller pointed out that this year MS students take drama as part of the wheel rotation, and that in addition, students can access drama as an elective. Ms. Kirkpatrick responded that this was the decision of the scheduling committee and that none of the other arts wheels are offered both in regular rotation and as an elective.

12. Alice Bissell presented a PIE end of year summary which included the following information:

- \$34,000 in scholarships were awarded by PIE
- School Enrichment Program: \$10,000 annual budget plus support from Fox Islands Concerts, VLT and VS.
- After School Program: reached 82% of VS students in grades K-2.
- Summer Camps 2018: 3 Weeks of Scamps with four different programs and 3 weeks of Tanglewood for 6 weeks of total programming.

Roy and the Board thanked PIE for the extraordinary programming PIE offers the children of our community

13. New Business

- A. Certification of Budget Election results: That the Computation and Declaration of the Votes dated 6-12-2018 and attached hereto be approved. Further voted: That the Computation and Declaration of Votes be entered upon the records of Maine School Administrative District No. 8. Further voted: That a certified copy of the Computation and Declaration of Votes be sent to each of the Municipal Clerks within the District. In addition, to approve the Assessment letter to the Town of Vinalhaven. Moved by L. Lazaro/second K. Young to approve (5-0)
- B. Graduation policy revisions (IFK): second reading that included no changes from the policy reviewed and discussed on 23 May. **Motion R. Jones/second L. Lazaro to approve as a final reading. (4-1)**
- C. Revised Wellness Policy JL: second reading which included no changes from the policy reviewed and discussed on 23 May **Motion L. Lazaro/second V. Wadleigh to approve as a final reading (5-0)**

- D. Restraint and Seclusion policy JKAA: First Reading. Roy informed the Board when researching policies needed in order to qualify for an MSMA insurance discount, we discovered that we do not have a restraint and seclusion policy and that our regulations needed to be updated. The policy being presented is recommended by MSMA and is consistent with state law and regulations. He pointed out that even though we do not have a policy, our procedures are consistent with those being recommended and that we have at least 7 staff who have been formally trained in de-escalation and restrain techniques. **Motion R. Noyes/second L. Lazaro to approve as a first reading.**
- E. Restraint and Seclusion Regulations JKAA-R: **Motion R. Noyes/second L. Lazaro to approve as a first reading. (5-0)**

14. Superintendent Report:

- 19 staff have signed up for ACES training on 22/23 August. The community and Board members are also invited to attend.
- 9 staff have signed up for training to be Behavior Health Professionals that involves 30 hours of on line training and a full day training here at VS. This will be a major step forward in meeting the needs of our most challenged students.
- Planning for our new Discovery Program is well under way. Director Anna Perkins has met personally with most of the parents whose children will be in this program.

15. Personnel matters:

As recommended by Roy, **motion R. Jones/second L. Lazaro** to appoint Richie Carlton as HS boys soccer coach. (5-0)

As recommended by Roy, **motion R. Jones/second L. Lazaro** to appoint Susan Philbrook as HS girls soccer coach.

The MS coaching position is open and has been advertised.

R. Noyes suggested that expectations for all coaches be clear and that training be offered when necessary.

16. Set date for July regular meeting: July 25 at 6:30.

17. Executive session: None

18. Adjournment: at 8:20