

**EUSTIS SCHOOL DEPARTMENT
TUESDAY, APRIL 12, 2016
5:30 P.M. - MINUTES**

- I. Call to order – Sarah Strunk, Chair**
- II. Pledge of Allegiance**
- III. See if the Board will approve the minutes of the 3/8/16 Board Meeting?**
J. Brickley motioned to approve. S. Fotter seconded.
Vote in favor: unanimous
- IV. Welcome Guests**
Pearl Butler & Tabitha Emery: Interest based bargaining
Mrs. Butler and Mrs. Emery presented to the board to see if the board was interested in pursuing interest based bargaining in the fall.
- V. Superintendent's Report**
 - 1. 2016/17 Budget Update: Mike is asking the board to approve the 2016-2017 budget as presented: \$1,783,791.28. Budget Highlights:**
 - a. 0% increase in local share**
 - b. (2) Full time Ed. Tech. positions**
 - c. Part Time Music Position**
 - d. Part Time Social Worker**
 - e. Part Time (10 hrs. per month) Computer Tech.**
 - f. Increase funding for Staff Development**
 - g. (1) less combined classroom**
 - 2. MSAD #51 Update: Things are going fine and some monitoring of the accounting software will take place in June. Region #9 will be handling our payroll in June.**
 - 3. 2016-2017 School Calendar – MSAD #58 2016-2017 was presented for approval.**
- VI. Principal's Report**
 - 1. School Update: Barry first pointed out the “canoes” on the trailer out front that were recently purchased through the PEP Grant.**
 - 2. Barry also spoke to the board about an informational meeting that was held in his office for staff interested in becoming a Maine Guide. Barry is also trying to set up a first aid class as well. (Jeff Brickley, Casey Cote and Sue Fotter are interested in information on becoming a Maine Guide.)**
 - 3. Barry showed the board a couple of musical instruments that he received from Gail Russ for our school, at no charge. More to come in the future.**
 - 4. Barry spoke of anticipated positions opening up for next year and that an ad will be put in the Irregular. Barry also noted that Nicole Beers will be the Gr. 4 teacher for next year.**
 - 5. Barry also reviewed the many things going on at school such as: Celebration of Learning, Girls Talk, Cooking Matters, ASP Bowling & Swimming, Lions Pre-K Screening, Healthy Coalition for Gr. 4-8, Financial advisor visitor, Gr. 5&8 to Mt. Blue for music concert, Internet Safety, School Dance/Movie night, Steel Drums playing here and at CV Library, to name a few.**

6. A couple of students, as well as Mrs. Butler, recently attended a Coplin School Board meeting, to speak about their recent study of the "Lightening Thief". They have asked the board to consider funding a field trip to Portland to see the play. Coplin Plantation will fund this trip.
7. Barry mentioned to the board that we recently received a donation that has allowed us to order I-Ready materials to track growth in Reading and Math.

VII. School Board Chair's Report

Sarah shared the final draft of the school logo, noting the changes that were made. We are hoping to be able to unveil something at the Stratton School Celebration in May and hope to have stickers to hand out in the fall at our open house bbq.

VIII. Public Comment

IX. Discussion Items

- X. 1. Hiring of Baseball/Softball Coaches – Barry noted that we are very fortunate to have both candidates and we should approve without hesitation.
2. Consider continuing teacher contracts for two teachers - Barry noted that there are two teachers that we need to vote on tonight for continuing contracts. Barry recommends both teachers without hesitation.
3. Garden Project (Dome) Survey Update – Dave spoke about maintaining the gardens that we presently have and mentioned having the water piped from the road to the garden area possibly this Spring. It was decided to wait until Fall to check into running the water line to the garden.
4. Stratton Celebration Update – There is another meeting schedules for Wednesday afternoon with the committee to finalize plans. An ad will be placed in the Irregular followed by posters and flyers throughout town.
5. Adjustments to the Agenda

XI. Action Items

1. To see if the board will approve the 2016-17 Budget as presented? S. Fotter motioned to approve. J. Brickley seconded. Vote in favor: unanimous
2. To see if the board will accept the nomination of a Jay Marshall as Boy's Baseball Coach? S.Fotter motioned to approve. J. Brickley seconded. Vote in favor: unanimous
3. To see if the board will accept the nomination of John Usher as Girl's Softball Coach? C. Cote motioned to approve. D. Richards seconded. Vote in favor: unanimous
4. To see if the board will approve the continuation of a teacher contract for a probationary teacher, Nicole Beers? J. Brickley motioned to approve. D. Richards seconded. Vote in favor: unanimous.
5. To see if the board will approve the continuation of a teacher contract for a probationary teacher, Katie Wuori? J. Brickley motioned to approve. C. Cote seconded. Vote in favor: unanimous.
6. To see if the board will adopt the 2016-2017 school calendar as presented by MSAD #58? D. Richards motioned to approve. J. Brickley seconded. Vote in favor: unanimous

XII. Adjournment: The meeting adjourned at 7:14.