

**EUSTIS SCHOOL DEPARTMENT
TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 14, 2017
MINUTES**

I. Call to order – Sarah Strunk, Chair

II. Pledge of Allegiance

**III. See if the Board will approve the minutes of the 12/13/16 Board Meeting?
S. Fotter motioned to approve. J. Brickley seconded. Vote in favor: 5-0**

IV. Welcome Guests

- 1. Harrison Houser -TransCanada Presentation - Barry introduced Harrison as the Maintenance Supervisor for TransCanada. Barry presented a plaque to Harrison for TransCanada in appreciation of their support in the past of our art program and lunch program. This past year, TransCanada provided support on the education end by awarding Mrs. Emery and Mrs. Butler a grant for their purchase of the “Go Math” program.**

Harrison did note that Kibby Wind Project has been sold to L.S. Power. This transition will take place on May 1.

- 2. Lianna Kingsbury-Maine Community Foundation – Lianna was present to discuss the functions and goals of the Maine Community Foundation. Future discussions will take place at the next board meeting.**

V. Superintendent’s Report

- 1. Financial Update – More financial time will be set aside for the next board meeting. Mike recommends no increase in the school budget for the 5th year. Mike noted that there are personnel changes taking place at Region #9.**
- 2. Teacher Negotiation Update – The first negotiation meeting was held tonight and will meet again in two weeks.**

VI. Principal’s Report

- 1. Hiring of two Ed. Tech’s – One hire and one replacement. Stacey Scott recently took a teaching position in another district which opened up the Ed. Tech position in Gr. 1. Paula Murray has come to us from Strong School Severe and Profound Program and will cover the Ed. Tech. position in Gr. 1. Stephanie Coburn was employed as the long term sub and has come back to us and has been hired as an Ed. Tech. Stephanie will fill the other Ed. Tech position that was open from the fall.**

2. **School Update – Millie Howard has been working with the Maine Healthy Coalition 5210 program providing healthy foods to be served out of our kitchen. There was discussion in the past on eliminating the federally funded food program. At present we receive \$40,000 from the government for the food program. A wellness policy has been updated and will be adopted in April.**
3. **Parent Night (1/12/17) Report – We recently hosted a parent night with approximately 15-18 parents in attendance. Parent night was a good night with good feedback from parents. Links have been provided on the website for further information for parents.**
4. **Meeting with Rangeley – Mike, Sarah and Barry recently met with Charlie Brown from Rangeley regarding possible shared services in the future. Rangeley would be interested if we decided to transport students for High School in Rangeley.**

Eric has contacted potential contractors regarding specifications to configure the driveway. Ed. Antz, from MSMA, was recently here and noted the overhang on the building is a problem and will need to be repaired.

1. **Present enrollment is currently 82.**

VII. School Board Chair's Report

Nothing to report this month. We will continue discussions on the Maine Community Foundation at the March meeting.

VIII. Public Comment

IX. Discussion Items

1. **Report Card – Barry recommended that we wait to discuss report cards until we see what decisions are made with the WMEC.**
2. **Adjustment to the agenda – no adjustments**

X. Action Items

1. **To see if the Board will approve the hiring of two Ed. Tech's, Paula Murrary and Stephanie Coburn? C.Cote motioned to approve. S. Fotter seconded. Vote in favor: 5-0**

XII. Adjournment – Meeting adjourned at 6:42.