

**EUSTIS SCHOOL DEPARTMENT
TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 12, 2017
5:30 P.M. - MINUTES**

- I. Call to order – Sarah Strunk, Chair
J. Brickley, absent**
- II. Pledge of Allegiance**
- III. See if the Board will approve the minutes of the 8/8/17 Board Meeting?
C. Cote motioned to approve. S. Fotter seconded. Vote in favor: 4-0**
- IV. Welcome Guests - Welcome new employees and board introductions.
Mike Cain, Mike Frost, Hope MacPhee as custodian/bus drivers
Caitlin Wedding as PreK Ed. Tech. (the board will approve tonight)
Andrea Drumstas as Social Worker**
- V. Superintendent's Report
Mike reported that our current enrollment is 85 students and up from last. We hope to have a breakdown by town for the next board meeting. We had a good normal start to the school year!**
- VI. Principals Report**
- 1. School Updates: Barry thanked Ashley Pooler and Stephanie Coburn for their hard work during the summer months to have our school all clean for the first day.**
 - 2. Hiring Ed. Tech. - Caitlin Wedding was hired as Ed. Tech. shortly after the last board meeting and is recommended to be approved tonight.**
 - 3. Bike of Maine was recently traveling through Stratton from Kingfield, headed to Rangeley. Our community fed the bikers lunch at the Community Building with our students helping set up. Our students received a standing ovation from the bikers to show their appreciation.**
 - 4. Grade 8 just returned from an overnight leadership trip to the Huts & Trails at Long Falls Dam. This week the grades 5-8 will head to the Stratton Brook Huts & Trails with Grade 8 leading and facilitating.**
 - 5. Bill Pierce recently came to school to remember 9/11. On September 22, the middle school will be involved in the Rangeley Regatta from 1:00 - 6:00. We plan to get (2) Rangeley boats so that the students can practice for the Regatta during P.E. class.**
 - 6. PTC recently purchased a new water fountain which includes a bottle filling station. As of today we have saved 440 bottles!**
 - 7. Building project - changes have been made and the repair to the damage from snow from last winter will be repaired before this winter. The rest of the building project will be completed next summer.**
 - 8. Mike Frost has been busy re-keying the entrance keys to the building and all are numbered and accounted for.**
 - 9. Dee Menear, from the Irregular, requested that we do an audio recording of the board meeting for her. It was decided that you cannot get the real context of the meeting from a recording. Student reporters were suggested.**

- 10. A transportation meeting was recently held with the SAD #58. One question was for us to transport, occasionally, a Pre-K student to Kingfield School. It was noted that we do not provide transportation for our Pre-K students. SAD #58's program is an all day on Wednesday and Friday. We will transport on a trial basis with a (2) buddy system to help get on and off the bus.**
- 11. Parent Night was held last Wednesday night. Parents were divided into two different groups K-4 and 5-8 for administrative information and then switched for a conversation on parent needs and how to get involved.**

Vii. School Board Chair's Report - Sarah mentioned a new banner for the gym with the school logo on it.

VIII. Public Comment

IX. Discussion Item

- X. 1. Denise Mackay - Makers Space (tabled to the next board meeting)**
- XI. 2. Adjustment to the Agenda**

XII. Action Items

- 1. To see if the Board will approve the hiring of an Ed. Tech.? D. Richards motioned to approve the hiring of Caitlin Wedding as an Ed. Tech. S. Fotter seconded. Vote in favor 4-0.**

XII. Adjournment - the meeting adjourned at 6:15 p.m.