

**EUSTIS SCHOOL DEPARTMENT
TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 13, 2018
MINUTES**

- I. Call to order – Sarah Strunk, Chair**
- II. Pledge of Allegiance**
- III. See if the Board will approve the minutes of the 1/9/18 Board Meeting? S. Fotter motioned to approve. Seconded by J. Brickley. Vote in favor: 5-0.**
- IV. Welcome Guests**
- V. Superintendent's Report**
 - 1. Audit Report – Mike went over the audit report with the board noting that we had a good audit focusing on pages 13 & 15 (attached). Mike mentioned to the board that over the next month or so we need to be thinking about how we want to allocate funds into capital reserves/transportation reserve for next year.**
 - 2. We are hoping to be on line with the new business office for the next payroll. We have spent a lot of money this year on the heating system which is now paying off. We are using less oil as we thought we would once we had the system working properly. The town is moving forward on building a town garage of which we will make a contribution to. The school lunch program was reimbursed \$47,000 from the state. Mike noted that the overall audit was a good audit but cost us a little more due to the inefficiencies at the business office. Adjustments have been made and we should pay less for our audit next year.**
- VI. Principals Report**
 - 1. School Updates – We recently held Law Enforcement Day in the Library with The Wellness Team asking questions. Attending were: Mark Lopez, Chief Heidi Wilcox, Scott Stevens, Deputy Sherriff, Trooper Monahan. Another Wellness Day was held with Gary Perlson and Doug Saunders on Career Exploration and Preparation.**

Mike Cain has resigned and Jim Bellwood has taken on his position.

Ski/Skate is going very well. Mr. Brown had P.E. class at the town skating rink and hoping to go another week in March.

Some of our teachers are finishing up a class that started here at school in the Fall with Gayla LaBreck, from Thomas College, on Content Literacy.

There has been some discussion on forming a book club using Ed. Tech's to help work on literacy.

In January all staff were CPR trained. Next year's focus will be first aid.

Mancave continues to be a success. The next Mancave will be on March 22 Starting at 3:00 at school. The plan is to leave the school grounds by snowshoe or cross country skiing.

- 2. Student Wellness Team – Students will be present at the March Meeting.**
- 3. Hiring of Ed. Tech. – Ashley Pooler has resigned from her position as Ed. Tech. We did get a response from a really good candidate and two others will turn in an application to keep on file for future openings.**

Lauren Orff was recommended for the Ed. Tech. position in Pre-K/K. She currently has a degree in Early Childhood Education and presently works at Head Start in Waterville. Her parents have a home in Stratton. Lauren also has interest in Snowboarding, Hiking and Mountain Biking.

Mike mentioned that at some point we should be looking into an Outdoor Ed curriculum based on the Common Core Standard.

VII. School Board Chair's Report

VIII. Public Comment

IX. Discussion Items

- 1. Adjustment to the Agenda: N/A**

X. Action Items

- 1. To see if the board will approve the hiring of Lauren Orff as an Ed. Tech? J. Brickley motioned to approve. Seconded by D. Richards. Vote in favor: 5-0.**

XIII. Adjournment: The meeting adjourned at 6:30.