

**EUSTIS SCHOOL DEPARTMENT
TUESDAY, APRIL 9, 2019
MINUTES**

- I. Call to order – Sarah Strunk, Chair
Sue Fotter absent.
Mike Shea absent.**
- II. Pledge of Allegiance**
- III. See if the Board will approve the minutes of the 3/12/19 Board Meeting?
J. Brickley motioned to approve. Seconded by D. Richards. Vote in favor: 4-0.**
- IV. Welcome Guests – Andrea Drumstas, Social Worker was present at this meeting as it has been almost 2 years since Andrea’s date of hire. She went over what she has been working on with students, which included the use of Second Steps Program and bullying prevention in the middle school. She will also be attending a Suicide Prevention training in May. She sees students with individual needs on a regular basis. Sarah and the board thanked her for her work.**
- V. Superintendent’s Report**
 - 1. Reserve Accounts – Barry noted that Mike wanted to let the board know that after speaking with Marc Royer about the reserve account, Marc suggested that instead of creating 5 different reserve accounts, he suggested to just create one for more flexibility to use funds as needed.**
- VI. Principals Report**
 - 1. School Updates**
 - 2. Staffing for Next Year – Barry presented a draft of staffing for 2019-2020 school year. He noted that he will know better in May as we look at Pre-k numbers look like for next year. Mrs. Emery will be moving from Kindergarten to the Grade 1 position. The deadline for applicants for the Kindergarten position is Friday, April 12. There was discussion on the Pre-K program being a 3 or 5 day program or if it was optional.**
 - 3. Hiring of Custodian/Maintenance/Bus Driver – Barry was pleased to report that we have Joe Puleo that has applied for the position and is hoping that the board will approve to hire him this evening. We are fortunate to have Joe with his experience in the maintenance area.**
 - 4. Child Find – At the last board meeting, Barry circulated the addition to the Child Find policy that needs to be revised that was brought to our attention during the Special Ed. Review. At the last meeting, Barry asked the board to review the addition in hopes of voting on it this evening.**
 - 5. The MSAD #58 Calendar was presented for review and adoption at tonight’s meeting.**
- VII. School Board Chair’s Report – Sarah reported that the SAD 58 meeting with Sue Pratt will take place on May 22 with the Commissioner of Education and the Superintendent for the UT in attendance to discuss actions to be taken to help rural Maine.**

D. Richards – Garden Project – Dave Richards noted that there was a great garden meeting held last Friday with Katie Wuori, Anne Flight, and Dave attending to go over garden potential for this summer. They are in hopes to get raised beds for this summer. They are also looking at a 33 ft. geodesic dome which could include outdoor classroom space. The group talked about finalizing a budget and how we will develop a plan for matching grants toward the USDA School to garden grant.

VIII. Public Comment

IX. Discussion Items

1. Adjustment to the Agenda

X. Action Items

- 1. To see if the Board will vote to hire Joe Puleo as Custodian/Maintenance/Bus Driver? J. Brickley motioned to approve. C. Cote seconded. Vote in favor 4-0?**
- 2. To see if the Board will vote to approve the Child Find Policy with revisions? J. Brickley motioned to approve. D. Richards seconded. Vote in favor 4-0.**
- 3. To see if the Board will vote to approve and adopt the MSAD #58 2019-2020 school year calendar? D. Richards motioned to approve. J. Brickley seconded. Vote in favor 4-0.**

XIII. Adjournment