

**EUSTIS SCHOOL DEPARTMENT
TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 13, 2024
MINUTES**

- I. Call to order – Casey Cote, Chair
S. Strunk absent
D. Richards came in late**

- II. Pledge of Allegiance**

- III. See if the Board will approve the minutes of the 1/9/24 Board Meeting? J. Brickley motioned to approve. S. Fotter seconded. Vote in favor 3-0.**

- IV. Welcome Guests:**

- V. Principal's Report**
 - 1. School Updates – Tabitha reported that we are struggling to find a replacement for Tim Frederick when he leaves. If anyone knows of someone, let us know or have them get in touch with us.**

At the Tournament last weekend at Madison High School, the girls played against Rangeley and won Friday night. They then played against the number one team, Valley, on Saturday and lost. The boys did not attend the tournament but were awarded the Sportsmanship Award for the season. Tabitha was approached by a fan at the tournament that told her he enjoyed watching the girls play and even though they didn't win, they were still playing hard and smiling.

Tabitha mentioned the Child Safety in Rural Maine meeting that will take place here at school on March 5, put on by the Franklin County Sheriff's Department.

The Spelling Bee took place on Monday, February 12th with Anna Demshar representing Stratton School.

We are now getting ready to set up Baseball & Softball games for the spring.

- VI. Superintendent's Report**
 - 1. Katie Wuori Resignation – Barry presented a letter of Resignation from Kaite Wuori. Katie needs to concentrate on getting healthy. The board thought this was good for her but sad for us. We feel we will see her still around the building helping in other capacities.**

 - 2. EEI Audit – Kerri Warns**

 - 3. FCEMA – Barry noted that he attended a FCEMA meeting last week. Stratton School was asked to become an Emergency Shelter in case of a disaster. The Town Office in Stratton is listed as the first choice for a shelter and Stratton School as an overflow, if needed. We will have 10 cots to store here at school in case of a disaster.**

 - 4. Tim Frederick – Tim was asked to come in to the board meeting. The board thanked Tim for his hard work and how we would miss him. He thanked the board.**

5. **S. Fotter & D. Richards term 2024 – Casey Cote brought up the terms expiring for both Sue and Dave this year. Sue is going to retire from the board and Dave has taken out his papers. There are two other people that are interested in running for Sue's position.**
6. **Technology update – Barry mentioned that MLTI, which is what the school uses and is obsolete. Paula is working with two other companies. There will be an increase in Technology in next year's budget.**
7. **Berry, Talbot, Royer our present Business Office is now going to split. Susan Tuttle is remaining as our business manager. The meeting on March 5 is to go over the budget with Susan. The next board meeting is on March 12 where we will vote on the solar project Presented by Susan Warms of EEI.
There was also some discussion on the Nadeau property near the school becoming a Community Garage for the Town and School.**

VII. School Chair's Report

VIII. Public Comment – Peter Farnworth and Steve St. Jean, representing the town, were present. They both commented at the end of the meeting “good job”.

IX. Adjustment to the Agenda

X. Action Items

1. **To see if the board will accept the resignation of Katie Wuori? J. Brickley motioned to approve. S. Fotter seconded. Vote in favor 4-0.**

XI. Adjournment: J. Brickley motioned to adjourn

Meeting ended at 6:53 p.m.