

REGION 8 COOPERATIVE BOARD MEETING
August 28, 2019

The regularly scheduled meeting of the Region 8 Cooperative Board was held on August 28, 2019.

Those in attendance were:

CSD	Andrea Palise, Bob Duke	(69.62/ea)
Islesboro	John Gorham	(11.94)
RSU 13	Bill Pearce, Joanne Richards	(77.82/ea)
SAD 40	Danny Jackson, Seth Hall, Matthew Speno	(77.89/ea)
SAD 7	Jerry White	(7.49)
SAD 8	Yvonne Thomas (via tele-conference)	(24.58)
St. George		(54.68)

Beth Fisher, Director; Sherry Moody, Business Mgr., Bobby Deetjen, Assistant Director; Ron Lamarre, Lavallee Brensinger Architects; various staff and members of the public (attendance roster taken)

Absent – Tori Manzi, Bob Perkins, Alane Kennedy*, Gerald Weinand

*New appointment- St. George MSU

REORGANIZATION MEETING

1. Chair, Jerry White, began the reorganization meeting at 7:07 P.M.

Total weighted votes: 572.56

2. *Nomination and Election of the Board Chair*

MOTION by Hall, seconded by Palise, to nominate Jerry White as Board Chair

Action: Jerry White elected Chair

Total weighted votes: 572.56

3. *Nomination and Election of the Vice-Chair*

MOTION by Gorham, seconded by Richards, to nominate Bob Duke as Vice-Chair

Action: Bob Duke elected Vice-Chair

Total weighted votes: 502.94 (Duke abstained)

4. *Nomination of Board Secretary*

MOTION by Jackson, seconded by Richards, to nominate Beth Fisher as Secretary

Action: Beth Fisher elected as Secretary

Total weighted votes: 572.56

5. *Nomination and Election of the Chair of Finance Committee*

MOTION by Richards, seconded by Gorham, to Nominate Bob Duke as Chair

Action: Bob Duke elected Chair of Finance Committee

Total weighted votes: 502.94 (Duke abstained)

6. *Reorganization of Committees – Appointments*

No Action (Board Members to request committee assignments)

7. *Designation of Depositories*

MOTION by Richards, seconded by Duke, to continue to use the banking services of The First National Bank

Action: Motion Passed Unanimous
Total weighted votes: 572.56

8. *Designation of Legal Counsel*

MOTION by Jackson, seconded by Pearce, to continue to retain the services of Drummond Woodsum for legal counsel.

Action: Motion Passed Unanimous
Total weighted votes: 572.56

9. *Designation of Insurance Agent*

MOTION by Jackson, seconded by Richards, to designate Maine School Management Association as Insurance Agent

Action: Motion Passed Unanimous
Total weighted votes: 572.56

10. *Adjournment*

MOTION by Richards, seconded by Jackson, to adjourn the Reorganization meeting

Action: Motion Passed – Unanimous
Total weighted votes: 572.56

The reorganization meeting adjourned at 7:14 PM.

Chair Jerry White opened the regular meeting at 7:15 P.M. **Total weighted votes: 572.56**

[Jerry explained the rules of public comment to the group.]

PUBLIC COMMENT – Tom Luttrell discussed the good faith negotiations with the city to further the Harbor Trail. A citizen discussed the noise during construction. Another citizen asked a variety of questions regarding cost of the solar panels, amphitheater and fence project. Also discussed was acceptable decibel levels during the day and evening. Carol Maines of the Planning Board discussed the fence on each side of the property. She encouraged the board to allow public access to the property. Another citizen discussed the noise issue. A citizen read a statement regarding public access to a trail on school property and noise from the construction. A teacher spoke about how the students are valued and feel safe at Mid-Coast School of Technology. Also, he discussed the importance of the safety and security of student, staff and visitors.

ADJUSTMENTS – None

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MOTION by Jackson, seconded by Gorham, to approve the minutes of the regular June 26th meeting

Motion approved with two abstentions (Hall, Richards)
Total weighted votes: 416.85

RESOLUTION of REVENUE ANTICIPATION NOTE

MOTION by White, seconded by Hall, to move that the vote entitled "Resolution to Authorize Issuance of a \$1,000,000 Revenue Anticipation Note," be approved in form presented to this meeting and that an attested copy of said Resolution be filed with the minutes of this meeting

Danny asked about the motion as it appears to be a duplicate motion from the May approval vote.

Motion approved with one opposed (Jackson)
Total weighted votes: 497.67

CONSTRUCTION PROGRESS UPDATE

Beth discussed the damage to the concrete floors during construction. There are a number of areas where the floor is stained and imperfect. Ron Lamarre discussed a potential flooring solution of vinyl tile to cover those areas. Danny asked if the cost would be borne by the construction contractor. Seth asked about the longevity of the vinyl tiles and if it would adhere to concrete. Bob spoke about how the product would adhere to concrete and its durability with a 21 year warranty.

MOTION by Hall, seconded by Gorham, to accept the architect's recommendation for the coverage and materials for the remediation of the damaged concrete floors

Danny asked if there should be an addition to the motion about no cost to Region 8.

Motion approved with one abstention (Jackson)
Total weighted votes: 497.67

MOTION by Hall, seconded by Gorham, to authorize the expenditure of up to \$65,0000 to remediate the damaged concrete floors as per specification by the architect

Motion passed with one opposed (Jackson) and one abstention (Duke)
Total weighted votes: 425.05

MOTION by Hall, seconded by Richards, to approve Change order 14

Motion passed unanimously
Total weighted votes: 572.56

MOTION by Jackson , seconded by Richards, to approve PCO 114 for contaminated soils

Motion passed unanimously
Total weighted votes: 572.56

MOTION by Duke, seconded by Hall, to approve PCO 116 for ledge removal

Motion passed unanimously
Total weighted votes: 572.56

Beth spoke to the board about the noise and light issues. The dust collection system has not yet been started up so no noise can be attributed to their operation. The fans, louvers and air handlers are being tested and commissioned. They all have been noisy at times and the hope is they will be fully commissioned by end of September. The lighting issue (lights on at night or not operating properly) is not yet resolved. The electrical designers and contractors are currently working on the lighting system.

Ron Lamarre spoke about the desire of all to resolve these issues as quickly as possible. He explained the zones of exterior lighting that are set to go off at 10 PM. Danny commented that this is the first time the board has met since June to discuss these issues. Beth discussed her concerns about the Planning Board meeting. John spoke about his concerns with the noise issue and the effect on the neighbors. Seth recommended that a couple board members be included in the conversation with the town manager about the potential trail across the property. Joanne discussed her work on searching for alternative locations to the new school during the planning phase.

UPDATE ON SUMMER HIRING

Beth reported that we have hired an Adult Education CNA Instructor. Two new custodians were hired over the summer, as well. We hired a new Kitchen Manager and Kitchen Worker. All open positions were filled.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

FINANCE

Warrants and Budget

Bob reported the committee met and signed the warrants for July and August. He advised the monthly financial for July was not available.

MOTION by Richards, seconded by Gorham, to accept and approve the warrant and budget reports for July and August.

Motion approved unanimously

Total weighted votes: 572.56

POLICY COMMITTEE

Bill advised the committee met today to discuss a new Wellness policy. The policy will go to the board for first reading next month. He discussed the removal of the facilities policy fee schedule. This will also go before the board in September.

CHAIR UPDATE

Jerry had no meetings these past two months and has nothing to report.

DIRECTOR UPDATE

Beth reported the last two months have been extremely busy. The electrical contractor has been several months behind all summer. This has delayed many aspects of the project. We are very close to being complete on many of the systems. Beth praised the staff and architects for all their hard work. She reported school will begin on time and Open House will go forward on September 9th. Seth asked for an update on the solar project.

ADJOURNMENT

Jerry declared the meeting adjourned at 9:04 PM.

Next Board Meeting: September 25, 2019

Elizabeth Fisher, Board Secretary