

**East Millinocket School Board Meeting  
December 16, 2020 5:15 pm  
Schenck High School Auditorium/Zoom  
Minutes**

**East Board**

Ryan Whitehouse – Chairman - Present  
Mark Wallace – Vice Chairman - Present  
Cameron McDunnah - Present  
Dan Byron - Present  
Mark Scally – Present

1. Call to order:  
Meeting was called to order at 5:15 pm by Ryan Whitehouse.
2. Adjustments to the Agenda: N/A
3. Approval of the Minutes from the November 12, 2020 & the December 7, 2020 meetings:

A motion was made by Mark Wallace and seconded by Dan Byron to approve the minutes from the November 12, 2020 & the December 7, 2020 meetings barring any errors or omissions.

Discussion: N/A

Vote:        In favor 5        Opposed 0        Abstain 0

4. Audience & Communications:
  - A. Public Comment: Mr. Page presented Mr. Steeves with a gift and wished him well on his retirement.
5. Old Business: N/A
6. New Business:
  - a. Approval of Elevator/lift for the Auditorium/Stage

A motion was made by Mark Wallace and seconded by Dan Byron to approve the purchase of the Freedom Portable Vertical Platform 53" elevator/lift for the Auditorium/Stage.

Discussion: The board agreed that it makes more sense to go with the middle-priced option that was presented to the board. See attached options.

Vote:        In favor 5        Opposed 0        Abstain 0

b. Resignations

A motion was made by Mark Wallace and seconded by Dan Byron to accept with regret the resignation of Sally Osborne at the end of the 2020-2021 school year.

Discussion: Farewell words from Mr. Steeves

Vote: In favor 5 Opposed 0 Abstain 0

A motion was made by Mark Wallace and seconded by Dan Byron to accept with regret the resignation of Cindy Clukey at the end of the 2020-2021 school year.

Discussion: Farewell words from Mr. Steeves

Vote: In favor 5 Opposed 0 Abstain 0

c. Create Spare Bus Driver Positions

A motion was made by Mark Wallace and seconded by Dan Byron to create spare bus driver positions.

Discussion: We are working on getting a pool of people lined up.

Vote: In favor 5 Opposed 0 Abstain 0

d. Create Bus Transportation Coordinator

A motion was made by Mark Wallace and seconded by Dan Byron to approve creating a bus transportation coordinator.

Discussion: This will be a person to do general maintenance on our bus and vans.

Vote: In favor 5 Opposed 0 Abstain 0

e. Create Assistant Superintendent Position

A motion was made by Dan Byron and seconded by Mark Wallace to create an Assistant Superintendent Position from January 1, 2021 through June 30, 2021.

Discussion: We are looking at sharing services with RSU # 89. It will be at no cost to us or them. Win, win situation for both schools.

Vote: In favor 5 Opposed 0 Abstain 0

f. 1<sup>st</sup> Reading of Policy GBM Earned Paid Leave

A motion was made by Mark Wallace and seconded by Dan Byron to approve the 1<sup>st</sup> reading of Policy GBM Earned Paid Leave

Discussion: This law takes affect January 1, 2021. It will apply to Substitutes and Coaches also.

Vote: In favor 4 Opposed 1 Abstain 0

7. Administrative Reports:

- A. Principal – Mr. Page: See attached report
- B. Financial – Ms. Milewski: See attached report
- C. Special Education – Ms. Smith: See attached report
- D. Athletic Director – Mr. Montgomery: Athletics is going well. Tentative schedule for basketball will be out next week. 16 girls, 11 boys and 10 cheerleaders have signed up. Cheerleaders are hoping for a Regional Championship.
- E. Medway Middle School – Mrs. Dickinson: See attached report
- F. Region III – Mr. Whitehouse: There was no November meeting. In December they named board chair and vice chair.

8. Guidance & Superintendent Report – Mr. Steeves thanked the Wellness team for the gift bags and goodies that were passed out to the board, staff, and administration. The vans are all set for winter. Woodville board was very interested in us using our vans to pick up their students should more students attend East Schools. The building of the pavilions was delayed because of COVID. At the Superintendents regional meeting there was talk of some schools going virtual after the Holidays. Our school is taking a wait and see approach. Mr. Steeves and Ms. Smith are working on the transition from one Superintendent to the other.

9. Announcements:

- A. Future Meeting: January 5, 2021 at 5:15 pm. Mr. Wallace thanked Mr. Steeves for all his time, dedication, hard work, communication, and guidance he has given our schools during his time here.

10. Adjournment:

A motion was made by Mark Wallace and seconded by Dan Byron to adjourn.

Vote: In favor 5 Time Out 6:03 pm

Respectfully Submitted,

  
Eric W. Steeves, Superintendent of Schools