



Minutes

MeANS Board of Directors Meeting

Thursday, 5/18/2023, from 4:30 pm to 6:30 pm

At the Maine Academy of Natural Sciences School

13 Easler Road, Hinckley, ME 04944

Board of Directors Present: Chair Mike Muir, Sally Beaulieu, Mary Callan, Bob Dodge, Dianna Gram, Martha Harris, Whitney King, Kim Patnode, Anna Perkins

Board of Directors Absent: Erin Brown, Dana Doran, Shannon Webber, Jess Wechsler

Others in Attendance: Danni Best, Beth Christopher, Rebecca Dennison, Katrina Guptil, Jill Lee, Matt Newberg, Emanuel Pariser, Joyce Ryan

1. Board Chair Call Meeting to Order

Chair Muir called the meeting to order at 4:36 pm

2. Additions/Adjustments to the Agenda

To move Item 6. c. (Interim Treasurer) after Item 6.d

Motion: Anne

Second: Bob

Discussion: None

Vote: All in Favor (9-0)

3. Public Comment

None

4. Staff/Student Presentation

a. Becky Grant and Lucja Wheeler from Threshold **POSTPONE**

5. Consent Agenda (Action requested by Approval of Consent Agenda)

a. Approval of Board Meeting Minutes from 3/16/23

b. Head of School Report

c. March Finance Committee Meeting Minutes

To accept reports as submitted

Motion: Bob

Second: Kim

Discussion: None

Vote: All in Favor (9-0)

6. Action Items

a. 50%+ Free & Reduced Lunch and CACFP - Katrina Guptill

To accept submitted.

Motion: Dianna

Second: Kim

Discussion: Students not eating lunch, this will be on the June agenda not relevant to this motion.

Vote: All in Favor (9-0)

b. Review of the Local Wellness Policy Triennial Assessment -Katrina

Katrina gave an overview of policy and goals to be met. This must be presented in a public meeting to allow public to comment.

To accept report as presented.

Motion: Mary

Second: Dianna

Discussion: Wellness day in the past, is this still a thing. Threshold has held a CPR day. The policy has what the Federal would like to see. Health is a huge issue in our Community. Family Violence presentation count. If it is one of our goals it counts. Board should begin a wellness committee.

Vote: All in Favor (9-0)

c. Interim Treasurer (moved to after d.)

Approval of Interim Treasurer - Matt Newberg

Motion: Anna

Second: Bob

Discussion: New Business Manager Ashely Hyde to begin in July. Cheryl Bulmer will assist with accounts payables for the next two months, Matt will complete payroll.

Vote: All in Favor (9-0)

d. First Reading of Policy 200.11 - Holidays

To approve as written.

Motion: Dianna

Second: Anna

Discussion: Should Columbus Day be Indigenous Peoples' Day? Yes. What does - "Employee must work Holiday as necessary" mean? More likely in the case of an emergency, and pay would be per contract.

Vote: All in Favor (9-0)

e. Second Reading of Finance Policy revisions

- i. DA
- ii. DB (pg 8)
- iii. DBC (pg 9)
- iv. DBD (pg 10)
- v. DBG (pg 11)
- vi. DBI (pg 12)

To approve as written

Motion: Finance Committee

Second: Not needed

Discussion: None

Vote: All in Favor (9-0)

f. Q3 Financials

Beth gave overview of attachments.

To accept as presented

Motion: Finance committee

Second: None needed

Discussion: Where is Q4 going to end? Less of a loss than originally projected.

Vote: All in Favor (9-0)

g. 2023/2024 Budget

Matt gave overview/highlights of next years budget. \$14,000 cash positive by year end 2024 projected.

To approve 2023/2024 Budget as presented

Motion: Finance Committee

Second: Not needed

Discussion: If surplus, where would you put the money. Likely Special Education staff and support.

Vote: All in favor (9-0)

h. Corporate resolution

To update Corporate Resolution as presented.

Motion: Bob

Second: Mary

Discussion: None

Vote: All in Favor (9-0)

i. 2023/2024 School Calendar

To approve school calendar

Motion: Kim

Second: Martha

Discussion: None

Vote: All in Favor (9-0)

2. Information Sharing/Discussion

a. Special Education

Christine Sullivan gave overview of Special Education, the recent Audit, difference between Special Education and 504

b. Governing Board

Chair Muir gave overview of term limits, noting that 1 year terms do not count towards term limits (per bylaws). Only 3 year terms count as term limits. Jessie and Shannon, elected not to renew. Dianna and Anna and have elected to renew. Whitney would like to renew for another one year term as currently can not commit to 3 year term. Would like to see financial background in a new board member. June meeting will have Dianna and Anna 3 year term renewal vote and Whitney 1 year term vote.

i. Board Membership - Term expiring 2023

1. Whitney King (2nd 1-year term - Note: 1-year terms do not count toward term limits)
2. Dianna Gram - (1st 1-year term - Note: 1-year terms do not count toward term limits)
3. Jesse Wechsler - 1st term
4. Anna Perkins - 1st term
5. Shannon Webber - 1st term

ii. GWH Appointees - what action should we take?

Chair gave overview of change in bylaws (taking effect on July 1) GWH will not appoint. Mike Muir, Dana Doran, Anna Perkins, Shannon Webber, Mary Callan, Bob Dodge (Will remove GWH appointment and leave board as is)

c. Strategic Plan Event Update

Chair Muir gave overview of Strategic plan Event asking all Board Members to sign up to participate.

- i. June 15, 2023 - registration opens at 5:00pm
- ii. Need 4 volunteers to be room facilitators (and an alternate):
 1. Learning Experiences -
Whitney - Recruitment
 2. Community Events -
Anna - Learning Experiences
 3. Funding/Development -
Mary - Funding and Development
 4. Marketing/Enrollment -
Sally - Community Events
 5. 5th place alternate -
Bob - Alternate

8. Other

3. **Prep for next Meeting** - June 22, 2023 - Reminder of Date Change
 - a. Executive Committee Meeting - June 6, 2023
 - b. Reports and Action Items due - June 12, 2023
 - c. Voluntary Board Training topic - Food Service (Katrina)
4. **Adjourn**

Meeting adjourned at 6:26 pm

Motion: Anna

Second: Bob

Vote: All in Favor (9-0)

Respectfully Submitted

Joyce Ryan