BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING APPROVED MINUTES
BJSHS CAFETERIA
MONDAY, APRIL 27, 2026 SCHOOL BOARD **6:30PM**

Link for Live Viewing at: https://meet.google.com/yok-odcy-hpq

School Board Members Present: Chad Culleton, Allison Long, Peter DeFilipp, Darcy Klein(virtual), Ed Bulger, Kristen Chapman, Veronica "Bonnie" Knox, Dan Hodge, Erin Hinkley, Doug Stone, Jonathan Ferreira

School Board Members Absent: Jennifer LeDuc, Vacant- Hanover Rep.
School Board Student Rep Absent: Chloe Brown

Staff & Community Present: Deb Alden, Brian Carrier, Matthew Gilbert, Margaret Therriault, Troy Eastman, Ryan Wilkins, Leah Kaulback, Peter Chase, Tom Danylik, Diana Charest, Brian Hooper, Students, Staff, Community Members

I. CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

1. Welcome- Troy Eastman, Principal BJSHS

II. ADJUSTMENTS TO THE AGENDA

If yes:
Motion: C. Culleton Second: A. Long
Unanimous
Remove IX. 1. from the agenda-per MVCS

III. CONSIDERATION OF THE MINUTES

Approve the minutes of the April 13th Meeting of the Western Foothills Regional School Unit No. 10 School Board Meeting Minutes as Written.
Motion: P. DeFilipp Second: D. Stone
Unanimous

PUBLIC COMMENTS/QUESTIONS

(This is the time for the public to comment in-person at School Board Meetings)

V. COMMUNICATION/CORRESPONDENCE

Student Board Representatives Reports - MVHS- Chloe Brown- Absent
Student Board Representatives Reports - BJSHS- Vacant

Upcoming Meetings:
April 29th Finance Committee Meeting at 4:00 at BJSHS LIBRARY
April 29th Policy Committee Meeting at 5:00 at BJSHS LIBRARY
April 29th BG&T Committee Meeting at 6:00 at BJSHS LIBRARY
May 11th School Board Meeting at 6:30 at 6:30 at MVHS
May 18th Budget Informational Meeting at 6:30 at BJSHS

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May 20th Curriculum Committee Meeting at 4:00 at CO
May 20th Personnel Committee Meeting at 5:00 at CO
May 20th Policy Committee Meeting at 6:00 at CO
May 25th Memorial Day- Central Office **CLOSED**

VI. COMMITTEE REPORTS

1. Personnel Committee-5/20
2. Policy Committee- 4/29
3. Finance Committee- 4/29
4. Building & Grounds Committee- 4/29
5. Negotiations Committee update- Ed Tech Contract/Bargaining Agreement
6. Region 9- 5/6
7. Region 11- 5/14
8. Curriculum Committee- 5/20
9. Superintendent's Report-

- **MVCS Grand Opening & Ribbon Cutting is May 9th -** This will be at 10:00 and will include tours of the school. I believe we will have town officials attending. I haven't heard from the State as of yet.
- **School Board meeting Calendar -** This is in your packet. Please review it in case you see any glaring conflicts. Typically the Board doesn't meet in July unless something comes up. The Policy Committee may need to meet in June and/or July to get caught up. Remember the first meeting in August is when the Board positions and Committees get decided.
- **Retirements -** Reminder that June 1st is when the Board recognizes Teacher/staff retirements at a dinner (5:00) before the Board meeting.

VII. SUPERINTENDENT'S CORRESPONDENCE

Administrative/Department Reports:
None

Resignations/Retirements:
The Superintendent has accepted the resignation of Tara Morin, Grade 2 Teacher at MVCS, effective at the end of the 2025-2026 SY.
The Superintendent has accepted the resignation of Michael Arbor, Grade 6 Writing Teacher at MVCS, effective at the end of the 2025-2026 SY.

Transfers:
None

Appointments:
None

New Hires (don't need Board approval):
The Superintendent has hired Susan Welch, as a PT(30hrs/wk) Van Driver for the District.

Employee Probationary Period Completions:
Amber Woods- Special Education, Ed Tech II at HSES- 4/14/26
Caro Farmer- PT Custodian at BJSHS- 4/16/26

Policy Regulations and Job Descriptions (don't need Board approval):
None

VIII. OLD BUSINESS

None

IX. NEW BUSINESS

1. ~~Act to Approve a Grade 5 Trip to Bryant Pond with 2 Overnight Stays on May 18, 19, and 20 for MVCS,~~
   ~~Motion: Second:~~

2. Act to Retain Meroby Elementary School if the Town of Mexico Does Not Accept the Conveyance, by July 1, 2026.

MOTION: I move that the Vote entitled, "Vote to Retain Meroby Elementary School" be adopted in form presented to this meeting and that an attested copy of the Vote be filed with the minutes of this meeting.
Motion: P. DeFilipp Second: E..Bulger
Unanimous

3. Act to Approve the School Board Meeting Schedule DRAFT for 2026-2027.
   Motion: P. DeFilipp Second: D. Stone
   Unanimous
4. Act to Approve the RSU 10 Health and Safety Emergency Management Plan.
   Motion: V. Knox Second: D. Stone
   K. Chapman made a motion to TABLE to the next meeting for additional information.
   Second: C. Culleton Opposed: A. Long, V. Knox, D. Stone, P. DeFilipp
   Passed

5. Act on the Use of Additional Capital Improvement Reserve Funds up to $35,000 for the Sewer Project at HSES.
   Motion: D. Stone Second: P. DeFilipp
   Unanimous

6. Act to Call and Approve Warrants for the Budget Meeting and the Budget Validation Referendum and to Authorize the Notice of Amounts Adopted.

MOTION: I move that the Vote entitled, "Vote to Call and Approve the Warrants for the Budget Meeting and the Budget Validation Referendum and to Authorize the Notice of Amounts Adopted, " be approved in form presented to this meeting and that a copy of said Vote be included with the minutes of this meeting.
Motion: P. DeFilipp Second: D. Stone
Unanimous

X. BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS

V. Knox

XI. EXECUTIVE SESSION

1. Act to Enter into Executive Session for the Purpose of Hiring a Director of Buildings and Grounds for RSU 10 District Pursuant to 1 MRS § 405(6)(A).
   Motion: C. Culleton Second: D. Stone
   Unanimous at 7:14p.m.

EXIT EXECUTIVE SESSION
Motion: D. Hodge Second: V. Knox at 7:34p.m
Unanimous

RESULTS FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION:
Act on the Hiring of Brian Hooper, as the Director of Buildings and Grounds for RSU 10 District Pursuant to 1 MRS § 405(6)(A), with a salary of $84,000.
Motion: C. Culleton Second: V. Knox
Unanimous

2. Act to Enter into Executive Session for the Purpose of Hiring a Director of Transportation for RSU 10 District Pursuant to 1 MRS § 405(6)(A).
   Motion: D. Stone Second: V. Knox at 7:38p.m.

EXIT EXECUTIVE SESSION
Motion: D. Hodge Second: D. Stone at 7:52p.m
Unanimous

RESULTS FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Act on the Hiring of Peter Chase, as the Director of Transportation for RSU 10 District Pursuant to 1 MRS § 405(6)(A), with a salary of $81,000.

Motion: C. Culleton Second: E. Bulger

Unanimous

No Board members who are in attendance of a Board meeting virtually can attend the executive session remotely, per BEC-R Executive Session Law(II): Restrictions During Executive Session.

XII. ADJOURNMENT

Motion: C. Culleton Second: D. Hodge

Unanimous at 7:55p.m.