# Maine Educational Center for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing Governor Baxter School for the Deaf School Board Meeting Record June 5, 2014

**Board Present:** Diane St. Lawrence (Chair), Joan Toy (Vice Chair), Laurel Kelly, Frances Frost, Jason White, Don Miller, Fran Jacques, Roxanne Baker, David Gaul

**Administration:** David Sherry, John Jones, Karen Hopkins, Angie Bruno,

Traci Drake

**Staff:** Bob Scally, Stephen King, Leona Anderson

**I. CALL TO ORDER:** The meeting was called to order at 5:10PM.

II. ANNOUNCEMENTS: none

**III. ADJUSTMENTS TO THE AGENDA:** Don Miller motioned that the committee reports and recommendations be moved to follow item X on the agenda. Joan Toy seconded.

Vote: 7 in favor 0 opposed

**IV. PUBLIC COMMENTS:** Stephen King reviewed the role and importance of the guard shack on Mackworth Island. Bob Scally spoke in support of what was shared by Stephen King. Leona Anderson gave an overview of the various activities of the library and the educational support given to students, staff and the public.

## V. APPROVAL OF MINUTES - May 1, 2014

Joan Toy motioned to approve the minutes of May 1, 2014 as amended. Fran Jacques seconded.

Vote: 7 in favor 0 opposed 1 abstention - David Gaul

#### VI. POLICY REVIEW:

#### 2<sup>nd</sup> Readings:

- Life Sustaining Emergency Care/File:IHBAK

Joan Toy motioned to approve policy IHBAK in the second reading as amended. Fran Jacques seconded.

Vote: 8 in favor 0 opposed

- **Promotion, Retention and Acceleration of Students/File:IKE**Joan Toy motioned to table policy IKE in the second reading. Fran Jacques

seconded.

Vote: 8 in favor 0 opposed

**VII. FY15 BUDGET REVIEW:** Staff changes and needs, budget cuts, program needs, etc. as well as a thorough review of the budget were given. Joan Toy motioned to approve the budget as presented. Frances Frost seconded.

Vote: 9 in favor 0 opposed

# DINNER/BREAK

**VIII. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT:** Key points of the Executive Director's Report were covered. This report is enclosed and filed in the Executive Director's office. David Gaul motioned that the board support the nomination of Kathryn Carmina as Teacher of the Deaf for Preschool at a step 6 salary. Joan Toy seconded.

Vote: 9 in favor 0 opposed

Joan Toy motioned that a contract be offered to Bethany McLaughlin at a step 1 salary as a Teacher of the Deaf for Preschool. Laurel Kelly seconded.

Vote: 9 in favor 0 opposed

**IX. SUMMER MEETING SCHEDULE:** The Board was invited to attend the State Leadership Luncheon on July 22 which will be followed by a board meeting.

**X. ELECTION OF BOARD OFFICERS FOR 2014-2015:** Joan Toy nominated Diane St. Lawrence to continue in the position of Board Chair for the 2014-2015 school year. Fran Jacques seconded.

Vote: 7 in favor 0 opposed 2 abstentions (Diane St. Lawrence, Joan Toy)

Diane St. Lawrence nominated Joan Toy to continue in the position of Vice Chair for the 2014-2015 school year. Fran Jacques seconded.

Vote: 7 in favor 0 opposed 2 abstentions (Diane St. Lawrence, Joan Toy)

**XI. COMMITTEE REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS:** The activities of the policy committee meeting were discussed. A self-evaluation form was handed to Board members and were asked to send the completed forms back to Diane St. Lawrence no later than July 1.

**XII. APPROVAL OF 2014-2015 SCHOOL CALENDAR:** Joan Toy motioned to add agenda item for approval of 2014-2015 school year calendar. Fran Jacques seconded.

Vote: 9 in favor 0 opposed

David Gaul moved to approve the 2014-2015 school year calendar. Don Miller seconded.

Vote: 9 in favor 0 opposed

#### XIII. EXECUTIVE SESSION:

- Confidential Employee Benefits Package Pursuant to 1 M.R.S.A. § 405 (6)(A)

Joan Toy motioned to enter into Executive Session to discuss the Confidential Employee Benefits Package Pursuant to 1 M.R.S.A. § 405 (6)(A). Frances Frost seconded.

Vote: 9 in favor 0 opposed

The Board entered into Executive Session at 8:12PM.

Public Session resumed at 8:45PM.

## XIV. EXECUTIVE SESSION:

- Executive Director's Salary Negotiations Pursuant to 1 M.R.S.A. § 405 (6)(A)

Joan Toy motioned to table the discussion of the Executive Director's salary negotiations and instead enter into Executive Session to discuss contract ratification between AFSME and MECDHH/GBSD Pursuant to 1 M.R.S.A. § 405 (6)(A). David Gaul seconded.

Vote: 7 in favor 0 opposed

The Board entered into Executive Session at 8:45PM.

Public Session resumed at 8:50PM.

Joan Toy motioned to ratify the contract between AFSME and MECDHH/GBSD for the period 2013-2015. David Gaul seconded.

Vote: 7 in favor 0 opposed

**XV: ADJOURNMENT:** Don Miller moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:55PM.

Laurel Kelly seconded.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:55PM.

Vote: 7 in favor 0 opposed

Board Approved: September 4, 2014