

**Maine Educational Center for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing
Governor Baxter School for the Deaf
School Board Meeting
Falmouth, Maine
May 7, 2015**

Board Present: Diane St. Lawrence (Chair), Joan Toy (Vice Chair), Jason White, Laurel Kelly, David Gaul, Fran Jacques, Don Miller, Debbie Camire, Courtney Camire

Board Excused: Roxanne Baker, Frances Frost

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

Guest: Jim McCallum

I. CALL TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order at 5:07PM.

II. ANNOUNCEMENTS: none

III. ADJUSTMENTS TO THE AGENDA: Joan Toy motioned to switch agenda item XIV with agenda item XV. Frances Jacques seconded.

Vote: 7 in favor 0 opposed

IV. PUBLIC COMMENTS: none

V. AUDITOR'S REPORT – Jim McCallum: The auditor's report was reviewed. David Gaul motioned to accept the auditor's report. Fran Jacques seconded.

Vote: 8 in favor 0 opposed

VI. SPURWINK LICENSING – Dan Hibbs & Kane Lucas: A comparison was made on how the Spurwink residential program operates presently with a treatment facility license and how it would operate without one. Board member questions were answered.

VII. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – April 2, 2015:

Joan Toy motioned to approve the minutes of April 2, 2015 as amended. Fran Jacques seconded.

Vote: 7 in favor 0 opposed 1 abstention (Fran Jacques)

DINNER/BREAK

VIII. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT: The Portland School Committee voted to end school for students on June 19. The last day for our teachers will be June 24. May 15 is PATHS graduation; May 21st is the Sports Banquet and May 28th is the Senior Banquet. Other highlights of the Executive Director's Report were covered. The Executive Director's report is enclosed and filed in the Executive Director's office.

IX. DRAFT FY16 BUDGET PRESENTATION: The draft FY16 budget was handed out and an overview given.

X. APPROVAL OF 2015-2016 ACADEMIC YEAR CALENDAR: The calendar was amended to show that the August board meeting will be held on the 20th and the September board meeting will be held on the 10th. David Gaul motioned that the calendar be approved with these revisions. Joan Toy seconded.

Vote: 8 in favor 0 opposed

XI. NOMINATIONS OF BOARD OFFICERS FOR 2015-2016: Joan Toy nominated Diane St. Lawrence to continue as Chairperson of the Board. Debbie Camire seconded. David Gaul motioned nominations close and Diane is nominated by proclamation. David Gaul moved to nominate Joan Toy as Vice Chair. Fran Jacques seconded.

Vote: 8 in favor 0 opposed

XII. COMMITTEE REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: The policy committee met to discuss the wellness policy and the tobacco use and possession policy. Both policies will be presented for first reading at the June Board meeting.

XIII. EXECUTIVE SESSION:

- Union Negotiations Pursuant to 1 M.R.S.A. § 405 (6)(D)
- Joan Toy motioned to enter into Executive Session to discuss Union Negotiations Pursuant to 1 M.R.S.A. § 405 (6)(D). Fran Jacques seconded.

Vote: 8 in favor 0 opposed

The Board entered into Executive Session at 7:31PM.

Public Session resumed at 7:50 PM.

XIV. EXECUTIVE SESSION

- Confidential Employees Benefits Package Pursuant to 1 M.R.S.A. § 405 (6)(D)
- Joan Toy motioned to enter into Executive Session to discuss the Confidential Employees Benefits Package Pursuant to 1 M.R.S.A. § 405 (6)(D). Debbie Camire seconded.

Vote: 8 in favor 0 opposed

Public Session resumed at 7:57 PM.

XV. EXECUTIVE SESSION

- Executive Director Evaluation Process Pursuant to 1 M.R.S.A. § 405 (6)(D)
- Joan Toy motioned to enter into Executive Session to discuss the Executive Director Evaluation Process Pursuant to 1 M.R.S.A. § 405 (6)(D). Fran Jacques seconded.

Vote: 8 in favor 0 opposed

Public Session resumed at 8:24 PM.

XVI. ADJOURNMENT: Don Miller moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:24 PM. Debbie Camire seconded.

Vote: 8 in favor 0 opposed

The meeting was adjourned at 8:24 PM.

Board Approved: June 4, 2015