

SPRUCE MOUNTAIN SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF DIRECTORS
The 1st Regular Meeting of the Spruce Mountain Board of Directors
For 2018-19 was held

Thursday, July 26, 2018 6:00 pm Spruce Mountain Middle School
Finance Committee 5:30 pm

~MINUTES~

Present: Doug DiPasquale, Tammy Frost, Sara Hughes, Steven Langlin, Dale Leblanc, Shannon McDaniel, Michael Morrell, Shari Ouellette, Phoebe Pike, and Denise Rodzen
Absent: Robert Staples, Ann Schwab, and Joel Pike

(Scott Jackson) Present
Absent (Orion Schwab) Student Representatives Present

1. CALL TO ORDER

Board Chair Rodzen called the meeting to order at 6:06 pm.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all present.

3. ATTENDANCE

10 Present

3 (Robert Staples, Joel Pike, Ann Schwab) Absent

1 (Scott Jackson) Student Representative Present

1 (Orion Schwab) Student Representative Absent

4. ADJUSTMENTS TO THE AGENDA

5. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

5.1 June 28, 2018 – Board Meeting Minutes

Motion by Michael Morrell and seconded by Shari Ouellette to approve the minutes of June 28, 2018 regular board meeting.

Vote: 9 Yes 0 No 1 (Doug DiPasquale)

Abstain

1 Student Representatives Yes

6. COMMUNICATIONS/CORRESPONDENCE

6.1 Resignation of Michael Lance, SMHS Science Teacher

6.2 Resignation of Brooke Newton, SMHS Guidance Counselor

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6.3 Resignation of Cheryl Letendre, Special Services Ed Tech I

Motion by Tammy Frost and seconded by Michael Morrell to accept the resignations of Michael Lance, SMHS Science Teacher, Brooke Newton, SMHS Guidance Counselor and Cheryl Letendre, Special Services Ed Tech I

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| Vote: | 10 Yes | 0 No | 0 Abstain |
| | 1 Student Representatives Yes | | |

7. PUBLIC COMMENTS - None

8. BOARD COMMENTS

Shari Ouellette said I would like to express my deepest sympathy to the family of Dora Nicklass, a former teacher in Jay, who passed away.

9. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Dr. Wall said there were a number of things on this agenda requiring us to take up in a timely manner; bus leases and locking in our fuel price. The Finance committee has reviewed these issues and they are in agreement.

10. BOARD CHAIR'S

Chair Rodzen spoke of the passing of Dora York's husband.

11. COMMITTEE REPORTS

11.1 Update on the renovation project.

Doug DiPasquale, Buildings and Grounds Committee Chair reported that we still have a month to get everything ready. Ken Vining and Kevin Stromgren, project manager, think we will be done on time. The roof was finished last night before the rain, abatement work in the library will be done, and lighting should start in the new wing next week. The new kitchen and hallway look 1000% better than before. The high school boiler is pretty far along.

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12. ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORTS

12.1 Kevin Harrington – SMPS Principal

The cleaning crew is at the primary school. They are working very fast painting and cleaning. Summer school ended today. Title 1 will end next Friday. The candidate for the Title 1 math position has been recommended to the board. We will be posting for the evaluation committee soon.

12.2 Christopher Hollingsworth – SMES Principal

We have one opening to fill. It has been great having the summer reading program at the superintendent's office. We have worked in coordination with the rec program and they have been walking the children down from the rec program at the AYS building to the summer reading program at the superintendent's office.

12.3 Scott Albert – SMMS

We reached the half way point for summer school today. Three children have finished up already. We are hoping that after the board vote tonight we will have filled one of our positions which will leave one more position open in 6th grade science. I brought my handbook for the board to review, there are very few changes and those changes are in red. Please email me with any questions before the vote on August 23rd.

Chair Rodzen reminded other administrators who had not done so to please email the board their handbooks as soon as possible so that they can be approved at the August 23rd board meeting.

12.4 TJ Plourde – SMHS

We do not have any report from the Envirothon as of yet.

Julie Taylor said that all that she has heard was that the team members had a practice day today and they visited a potato factory.

TJ continued that the Board will have the high school handbook next week.

There are two guidance positions open and a science position open at the high school. Some interviews have been set up.

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12.5 Amanda Hersey – Curriculum Coordinator/Technology
The tech team is working hard preparing Chromebooks, they are on schedule and will be ready on time to distribute to students (Grades 3-5 will receive the Chromebooks). Thank you to TJ Plourde. I was able to spend the day with Michelle Hall at UMF attending a math coaching program which was a collaborative with the Department of Education. Math coaches work with teachers offering professional development.

13. POLICY - None

14. OLD BUSINESS - None

15. NEW BUSINESS

15.1 Consideration for approval of bid for busses.

Motion by Dale LeBlanc and seconded by Michael Morrell to approve WC Cressey and Sons bid for busses.

Vote: 10 Yes 0 No 0 Abstain
1 Student Representatives Yes

15.2 Authorization to lock in for fuel oil for the 2018-19 budget year.

Motion by Doug DiPasquale and seconded by Shari Ouellette to lock in for fuel oil for the 2018-2019 budget year with Winthrop Fuel with a price of \$2.419 as transport price and \$2.619 for peddle truck. Also to lock in at \$2.549 for diesel fuel.

Vote: 10 Yes 0 No 0 Abstain
1 Student Representatives Yes

15.3 Executive Session to discuss a personnel matter pursuant to 1 M.R.S.A. § 405 (6) (A).

Motion by Michael Morrell and seconded by Shari Ouellette to enter into executive session at 7:01 pm to discuss personnel in accordance with 1 M.R.S.A. § 405(6)(A).

Vote: 10 Yes 0 No 0 Abstain
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Return from executive session at 7:22 pm.

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16. APPOINTMENTS

- 16.1 Superintendent nominates Mariah Buote to the position of SMMS 6th Grade ELA Teacher for the 2018/2019 school year, contingent on proper certification and MDOE fingerprinting status.

Motion by Shari Ouellette and seconded by Michael Morrell to appoint Mariah Buote to the position of SMMS 6th Grade ELA Teacher for the 2018/2019, contingent on proper certification and MDOE fingerprinting status.

Vote: 10 Yes 0 No 0 Abstain
1 Student Representatives Yes

- 16.2 Superintendent nominates Kimberly Thurston to the position of SMPS Title 1 Math Teacher for the 2018/2019 school year, contingent on proper certification and MDOE fingerprinting status.

Motion by Shari Ouellette and seconded by Sara Hughes to appoint Kimberly Thurston to the position of SMPS Title 1 Math Teacher for the 2018/2019, contingent on proper certification and MDOE fingerprinting status.

Vote: 10 Yes 0 No 0 Abstain
1 Student Representatives Yes

17. OTHER BUSINESS

Chair Rodzen passed out committee preference forms to the board for the 2018/2019 school year. She asked the board to return them to her by August 23.

Student Representative Scott Jackson brought to the board's attention that a student has gone missing. Her name is Logan White and she is going to be a junior at SMHS in the fall. Early Tuesday morning she said she was going somewhere and no one has been able to find her since.

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18. CALENDAR/ANNOUNCEMENTS

August 23, 2018 – Regular Meeting – 6:00 PM Cedar Street Conference Room

19. ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Shari Ouellette and seconded by Scott Jackson to adjourn at 7:42 pm.

**Vote: 10 Yes 0 No 0 Abstain
 1 Student Representatives Yes**

Respectfully submitted:



Robert E. Wall, EdD
Interim Superintendent of Schools