

Board Briefs

Meeting of the East Maine School District 63 Board Of Education

January 11, 2017

The Board of Education approved the following items:

- Minutes of the Public Hearing - 2016 Tax Levy, December 7, 2016
- Regular Business Meeting, December 7, 2016
- Closed Session, December 7, 2016
- Special Business Meeting, December 20, 2016
- Closed Session, December 20, 2016
- Accounts Payable for January 11, 2017 (\$885,291.02)
- Fund Balance Report for November 2016 (\$52,869,381)
- Gross Payroll (\$2,409,687.69) and Board Share Expenditures (\$503,514.70) for December 2016
- Payroll Accounts Payable for December 2016 (\$1,298,326.13)
- Appointment for Staff at Melzer, Nelson and Washington
- Resignation for Staff at Washington
- Retirement for Staff at ESC and Stevenson
- Destruction of Verbatim Recordings of Closed Session
- Freedom of Information Act Report for December 2016
- Children's Internet Protection Act (CIPA)
- 2017-2018 Budget Calendar
- Policy Revision – Second Reading – Policy 2:120 Board Member Development
- Policy Revision – Second Reading – Policy 2:125 Board Member Compensation; Expenses
- Policy Revision – Second Reading – Policy 2:200 Types of School Board Meetings
- Policy Revision – Second Reading – Policy 2:220 School Board Meeting Procedures
- Policy Revision – Second Reading – Policy 5:60 Expenses
- Policy Revision – Second Reading – Policy 5:250 Leave of Absence
- Policy Revision – Second Reading – Policy 5:260 Student Teachers
- Policy Revision – Second Reading – Policy 5:330 Sick Days, Vacation, Holidays, and Leaves
- Policy Revision – Second Reading – Policy 7:50 School Admissions and Student Transfers To and From Non-District Schools
- Policy Revision – Second Reading – Policy 7:250 Student Support Services
- Policy Revision – Second Reading – Policy 7:260 Exemption from Physical Education
- Donations
- Review and Release of Closed Session Minutes
- Calendar for the 2017-2018 School Year
- Renewal of First Student Contract

President's Report

President Kaczowski reported on the following items:

- Attended the Washington School Barnes & Noble / Buffalo Wild Wings Fundraiser
- Attended Mark Twain's Chipotle Fundraiser

Upcoming Events & Reminders

- January
 - January 13, ED-RED Finance Legislative Meeting, Maine Township Administration Office, 1:30 – 3:00 p.m.
 - January 19, Nelson McTeacher Night, McDonald's at Milwaukee and Oakton, 5:00 – 8:00 p.m.
 - January 19, Special Education Parent Workshop: Helping your Picky Eater Make Healthy Food Choices, Melzer, 5:30 – 6:30 p.m.

- January 19, Band-O-Rama, Maine East Auditorium, 7:00 – 8:00 p.m.
- January 20, New Year’s Dance, Washington, 6:30 – 8:00 p.m.
- January 21, 40th Annual North Shore Jazz Fest, 8:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m.
- January 21, Extreme Cheer Competition, Gemini, 10:00 – 12:00 p.m.
- January 27, Stevenson Movie Night, 6:30 – 9:00 p.m.
- January 30, 46th Annual ED-RED Legislative Dinner and Workshops, Chicago Marriott O’Hare, 4:00 – 9:00 p.m.
- February
 - February 1, Board of Education Meeting, Mark Twain, 7:00 p.m.
 - February 7, Apollo McTeacher Night, 8460 W Dempster, Niles, 5:00 – 7:00
 - February 16, Special Education Parent Workshops - Social Skills, Melzer, 5:30 – 6:30 p.m.
 - 37th Annual School Law Seminar - Scariano, Himes and Petrarca, McDonald’s Hamburger University, Oak Brook, 8:00 – 12:30 p.m.

Board Member Reports:

Member Simmons

- Attended EMEA Negotiations in December

Member Zec

- Attended the Holiday Boutique at Nelson

Member Urban

- Attended the Washington School Barnes & Noble / Buffalo Wild Wings Fundraiser
- Attended several Gemini girls basketball games
- Attended the Orchestra strings field trip to nursing homes and The Boulevard Homeless Shelter

Superintendent’s Report

Dr. Clay reported on the following items:

- Attended a performance by the Gemini orchestra at The Boulevard Homeless Shelter
- We continue to negotiate with the EMEA and will meet again next week.

Presentation – FY16 Audit

Scott Klein of Klein Hall CPAs presented the Comprehensive Annual Financial Report for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2016. The data, as presented, is accurate in all material aspects.

Presentation – Fall 2016 Student Risk Screening Scale, presented by Hannah Kreps, Behavior Development Coach

What is the SRSS?

- The SRSS assessments are universal screening tools that help identify students who are at risk for behavioral problems. Teachers assess various risk factors for each student in their classroom to determine who is at-risk.
- Responding to these students with additional support may prevent their behavior problems from escalating over time. In addition to screening for individual students, schools use the SRSS to look at school-wide data for program evaluation.
- The SRSS is not an assessment of static traits or personality and it should not be used to determine eligibility or access to programs such as special education. The SRSS should be used as one of many data sources to inform instruction and indicate student risk.

Source: miblsi.org

What are the behaviors screened?

- Internalizing

- Externalizing

Goal for Summary data

- We want our data to show a healthy distribution of risk.

District-Wide Externalizing Summary - Total # screened: 2955

| Score Range | Descriptive Category | # of students in range | Percentage |
|-------------|----------------------|------------------------|------------|
| 0-3 | Low Risk | 2214 | 74.92% |
| 4-8 | Moderate Risk | 601 | 20.34% |
| 9+ | High Risk | 140 | 4.74% |

District-Wide Internalizing Summary - Total # screened: 2955

| Score Range | Descriptive Category | # of students in range | Percentage |
|-------------|----------------------|------------------------|------------|
| 0-1 | Low Risk | 2290 | 77.50% |
| 2-3 | Moderate Risk | 393 | 13.30% |
| 4+ | High Risk | 272 | 9.20% |

Resources to support student Social Emotional Growth

- Tier 1/ Universal (all students)
 - District-Wide Positive Behavior Interventions and Support (PBIS)
 - Paths Curriculum (PreK-Kindergarten)
 - Second Step (1st - 6th grades)
 - Alyssa's mission (grades 7 & 8, and Apollo 6th grade)
 - Responsive classroom strategies
- Tier 2 (at risk students)
 - Check-in/ Check-out
 - Social Academic Instructional Groups (SAIG)
- Tier 3 (high risk students)
 - Individualized Check-in/ Check-out
 - Social Academic Instructional Groups (SAIG) with intensive frequency and duration
 - Individual social emotional sessions with Social Worker and/or Psychologist

Presentation – Project Presentation presented by Dan Barrie, Director of Operations

A Summary of Completed and Planned Capital Projects in East Maine 63

2007-2009 Energy Services Agreement with Ameresco - Project spanned two full school years and included:

- Roof and soffit replacement at Apollo, Stevenson, and Twain
- Tuck pointing and brick repair at all seven buildings including the ESC
- Replacement/upgrading of storeroom, hallway, and various classroom doors to comply with new fire code. This totaled 163 doors throughout the district.
- Replacement of plumbing mains at Gemini
- Installation of air conditioning at Gemini
- New gym floor at Melzer
- New classroom carpeting in the second floor of Apollo

2009-2010 Secure Entryway Additions Project with Ameresco

- Secured vestibules at Nelson, Melzer, Washington, and Twain.
- The old office space located on the second floor of each building was converted to instructional space.

2012-2014 Flood Control Project at Gemini

- Project design started in 2012, a year's process to complete the design and receive approval from the Metropolitan Water Reclamation District. (MWRD)
- Project started in the fall of 2013 and was completed the summer of 2014.

2013 Projects

- New roof installed at Gemini Junior High School, including new downspouts and improved roof drainage.
- New parking installed at Mark Twain.

2014 Projects

- Apollo/ESC parking lot repaved and failing sidewalk replaced.
- Parking lot drainage improved on south end of lot to prevent premature failure of asphalt.
- Gemini cafeteria floor was replaced.
- Melzer roof was replaced along with the annex roof top HVAC unit.

2015 Projects

- Roof replacement at Nelson and Washington - With the completion of these two buildings, all 7 schools have new roofs.
- Roof top HVAC units replaced at Nelson and Washington
- Installation of air conditioning in the gymnasiums at Apollo, Gemini, Melzer, Twain, and Washington
- Parking lot replacements at Nelson, Stevenson, and Washington
- Installation of a gas fueled emergency generator at ESC
- New carpet in ESC.

2016 Projects

- New windows at Apollo and ESC.
- First phase of flooring replacement completed at Nelson, Twain, and Washington.
- New restroom partitions installed at Apollo.
- Mobile classroom at Nelson removed.
- Crumbling concrete stoop at the Gemini front entrance was replaced.
- Gymnasiums at Washington and Nelson repainted.
- Overgrown shrubbery and dead/dying trees removed at all 7 schools.
- Field restoration at Nelson and Gemini.

Total cost of capital projects to date: \$23,012,197 - Funded through a combination of bond sales and fund balances.

Planned projects for summer 2017

- Complete flooring abatement and replacement at Nelson, Twain, and Washington started in 2016.
- Abate and replace flooring at Apollo.
- Replace plumbing mains at Melzer.
- Repave parking lot, play area, and sidewalk at Melzer.
- Improve drainage and install retaining wall on Apollo playground and play area.
- Replace/repair bus lane and play area at Twain.

Total Estimated Cost of 2017 Projects: \$3,337,100

Total estimated cost of all capital projects since 2007: \$26,349,297

Average annual expenditure on capital projects: \$2,395,390

2018 and Beyond

- Flooring abatement and replacement at Melzer
- Plumbing main replacement at Washington
- Addition at Gemini to house 6th grade and allow full day kindergarten implementation at each elementary school
- Construct stand-alone pre-k center at site of records house
- Construct stand-alone maintenance building and expand ESC to allow more professional development, meeting, and warehouse space
- Construct new entryway at ESC with a wheelchair accessible ramp