

**REGIONAL SCHOOL UNIT 19
BOARD OF DIRECTORS' MEETING MINUTES**

November 15, 2016

MEMBERS PRESENT: Samantha Brown, Corinna Caron, Shawn Coots, Christopher Easton, Evelyn Hickey, Fred Hickey, Susie Hopkins, William MacDonald, Robin McNeil, Don Mendell, Chris Pepin, Jody Mullis, Kenneth Sands, Jason Scholten, Erik Stitham, Chad Stratton, Jennifer Watson

MEMBERS ABSENT: Paul Carter and Winn Price (excused)

TOTAL MEMBERS PRESENT: 911

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Others Present: RSU 19 Staff and Community Members

I. Opening of Meeting

A. Flag Salute was rendered.

B. Adjustments to Agenda

Under VI. New Business

C. Staff Resignations - add Christina Gee, Technology Director - Retiring

C. Approval of Board Minutes of October 18, 2016

A **motion** was made by Fred Hickey to accept the Board Meetings minutes from September 20, 2016, **seconded** by Evelyn Hickey and **voted** 859 for and 52 abstained (Chad Stratton). Motion passed.

II. Public Comment – None

Audience members spoke regarding absentee voting for the Budget Validation Referendum held on November 8, 2016.

III. Reading of Communications

A. Administrative Communications – No communication presented.

B. Superintendent/Board Communications – Communication presented.

IV. Report of Special Committees

A. <u>Budget/Finance Committee</u>	No meeting
B. <u>Building Committee</u>	November 9, 2016
Communication Presented	
C. <u>Education Committee</u>	November 1, 2016
Communication Presented	

D. Policy Committee

October 25, 2016

Communication Presented

1. First Reading of Policies

- a. IKF Graduation Requirement

A **motion** was made by Chris Easton to accept the first reading of policy IKF, **seconded** by Evelyn Hickey and **voted** unanimously.

2. Second Reading of Policies

- a. CCAD Finance/Budget Chart

A **motion** was made by Chris Easton to accept the second reading of Policy CCAD, **seconded** by Fred Hickey and **voted** 840 for and 71 abstained (Don Mendell). Motion passed.

- b. CGC Adult Education

A **motion** was made by Chris Easton to accept the second reading of Policy CGC, **seconded** by Fred Hickey and **voted** unanimously.

- c. DICA GASB54 Fund Balance - Committee Recommends to Delete

A **motion** was made by Chris Easton to accept the Policy Committee's recommendation to delete Policy DICA, **seconded** by Fred Hickey and **voted** 53 for, 805 against (Shawn Coots, Jennifer Watson, Corinna Caron, Samantha Brown, Chris Easton, Evelyn Hickey, Susie Hopkins, Chris Pepin, William MacDonald, Robin McNeil, Don Mendell, Jody Mullis, Kenneth Sands, Jason Scholten, Chad Stratton), 53 abstain (Erik Stitham) Motion did not passed.

- d. DIE Audits/Financial Monitoring

A **motion** was made by Chris Easton to accept the second reading of Policy DIE, **seconded** by Fred Hickey and **voted** 678 for and 233 against (Shawn Coots, Jennifer Watson, Corinna Caron, William McDonald). Motion passed.

- e. DJA Purchasing Authority

A **motion** was made by Chris Easton to accept the second reading of Policy DJA, **seconded** by Fred Hickey and **voted** unanimously.

- f. DJH Purchasing & Contracting: Procurement Staff Code of Conduct

A **motion** was made by Chris Easton to accept the second reading of Policy DJH, **seconded** by Fred Hickey and **voted** unanimously.

- g. DLB Tax Sheltered Annuities

- h. DN School Properties Disposition

- i. EFD Hot Lunch Credit

A **motion** was made by Chris Easton to accept the Policies DLB, DN, and EFD as a block, **seconded** by Fred Hickey and **voted** unanimously.

A **motion** was made by Chris Easton to accept the second reading of block containing Policy DLB, DN, and EFD, **seconded** by Fred Hickey and **voted** unanimously.

- E. Transportation Committee N/A
- F. Warrior Education Foundation Com. N/A

V. Old Business

A. BAN

A **motion** was made by Chad Stratton to move that the resolution entitled, “Resolution to Authorize \$69,997,549 School Construction Project and Issuance of General Obligation Bonds in Principal Amount of \$67, 747,549 to Finance the Project,” be adopted in form presented to this meeting and that an attested copy of said Resolution be filed with the minutes of this meeting, **seconded** by Susie Hopkins and **voted** unanimously.

VI. New Business

A. Certify Results of Referendum Vote of November 8, 2016

Motion was made by Susie Hopkins that the Computation and Declaration of Votes dated November 15, 2016 and attached hereto be approved; further voted that the Computation and Declaration of Votes be entered upon the records of Regional School Unit No. 19; and further voted that a certified copy of the Computation and Declaration of Votes be sent to each of the Municipal Clerks within the Regional School Unit, **seconded** by Fred Hickey and **voted** unanimously.

B. Background on Tri-County Technical Center

Jason Scholten presented information on the Tri-County Technical Center.

C. Staff Resignations

1. Christina Gee, Technology Director

A **motion** was made by Jason Scholten to regretfully accept the resignation of Chris Gee as of December 30, 2016, **seconded** by Fred Hickey and **voted** unanimously.

D. Staff Nominations – None

E. Staff Appointments - Informational

1. Cameron Arcidi – Administrative Assistant Adult Ed (2 days per week)
2. Jordan Cantrell, Ed Tech I at SEB

F. Staff Transfers – None

G. Lead Teacher at Newport/Plymouth School

A stipend amount for this position is \$1,500 for the 2016-17 school year.

A **motion** was made by Fred Hickey to have Laura Donahue be the Lead Teacher at the Newport/Plymouth School, **seconded** by Samantha Brown and **voted** unanimously.

VII. Reports

A. Superintendent

Mike Hammer reported on College, Career and Life Ready Indicators – redefiningready.org

B. Board Chair

No report

VIII. Future Agenda Items

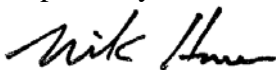
A. Audit

IX. Next Meeting Dates

X. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 8:25 PM.

Respectfully submitted,



Mike Hammer
Secretary to the Board

Darcey LaPrade, Note Taker

Revised 11/15/2016

November 15, 2016

Motion: I move that the resolution entitled, "Resolution to Authorize \$69,997,549 School Construction Project and Issuance of General Obligation Bonds in Principal Amount of \$67,747,549 to Finance the Project," be adopted in form presented to this meeting and that an attested copy of said Resolution be filed with the minutes of this meeting.

RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE \$67,997,549 SCHOOL CONSTRUCTION PROJECT AND ISSUANCE OF GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS IN PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF \$67,747,549 TO FINANCE THE PROJECT

Under and pursuant to the laws of the State of Maine, including sections 1490 and 1501 and chapter 609 of Title 20-A of the Maine Revised Statutes, approval of the voters of Regional School Unit No. 19 (the "RSU") at a referendum duly called and held on March 29, 2016, and current and pending approvals of the State Board of Education (the "State Board"), the School Board of the RSU hereby resolves as follows:

1. That the project to construct and equip a new grade 5 through grade 12 school and to make renovations that will retrofit and convert Sebesticook Valley Middle School and Somerset Valley Middle School to grade K through grade 4 schools, all at a total cost not to exceed \$67,997,549.00 (the "Project") be approved and authorized;
2. That the issuance and sale of general obligation bonds and notes in anticipation thereof in an amount not to exceed \$67,747,549 (collectively, the "Bonds") be authorized to fund costs of the Project, with the balance of the Project costs of up to \$250,000.00 to be funded by non-tax revenues such as grants and donations;
3. That the Treasurer of the RSU be authorized to arrange for the sale of the Bonds at public or private sale to such parties, including the Maine Municipal Bond Bank, as the Treasurer determines to be in the RSU's interest, and to provide for sale of the Bonds at one time or from time to time, as one or more separate issues, and to determine the date(s), maturity(ies), denomination(s), interest rate(s), place(s) of payment, call(s) for redemption with or without premium, form(s), and other details of said Bonds, including execution and delivery of said Bonds against payment therefor; to execute and deliver loan agreements and other contracts for that purpose, which loan agreements and contracts shall be signed by the Treasurer, countersigned by the Chair of the School Board (the "Chair") and attested and sealed by the Secretary of the RSU; and to hire such financial advisors, bond counsel, underwriters, registrars, paying agents, transfer agents, and other consultants as the Treasurer deems necessary or appropriate in connection with the sale of the Bonds, all on such terms not inconsistent with this Resolution as the Treasurer shall approve; and any such prior action of the Treasurer is hereby ratified and confirmed;
4. That the Bonds be executed and delivered by the Treasurer, countersigned by the Chair, and attested by the Secretary, and otherwise be in such form and contain such terms and



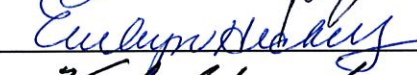

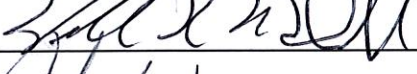





provisions not inconsistent herewith, as they shall approve, their approval to be conclusively evidenced by their execution thereof, and that any signature thereon may be by facsimile to the extent permitted by law;

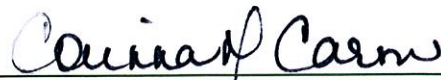
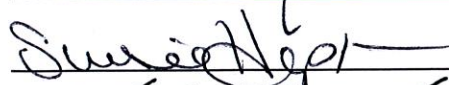


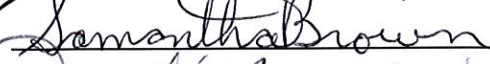
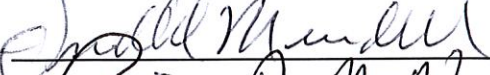

5. That the Bonds be issued in the name of the RSU and in registered form transferable only on the registration books of the RSU, which registration books may be kept by the RSU or its transfer agent, upon surrender thereof with a written instrument of transfer, duly executed by the registered owner or his/her attorney duly authorized in writing;
6. That in lieu of physical certificates of any of the Bonds, the Treasurer be authorized to undertake all acts necessary to provide for the issuance and transfer of such Bonds in book-entry form pursuant to the Depository Trust Company Book-Entry Only System, as an alternative to any provisions herein regarding physical transfer, and the Treasurer be authorized and empowered to enter into a Letter of Representation or any other contract, agreement or understanding necessary or, in the Treasurer's opinion, appropriate in order to qualify the Bonds for and participate in the Depository Trust Company Book-Entry Only System;
7. That the Treasurer, Chair, and Secretary, from time to time be authorized to execute such Bonds and other documents and certificates as may be required to provide for exchanges or transfers of Bonds authorized hereunder;
8. That the Treasurer be authorized to covenant that no part of the proceeds of the Bonds shall be used, directly or indirectly, to acquire any securities and obligations, the acquisition of which would cause the Bonds to be "arbitrage bonds" or "private activity bonds" within the meaning of Sections 148 and 141 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "Code");
9. That in connection with the issuance and sale of the Bonds, the Treasurer on behalf of the RSU be authorized to execute and deliver Arbitrage and Use of Proceeds Certificates and/or other certificates with respect to tax matters in form approved by bond counsel, and to covenant on behalf of the RSU to file any information reports and pay any rebate due to the United States in connection with the issuance of the Bonds, and to take all other lawful actions necessary to ensure that the interest on the Bonds will be excludable from the gross income of the owners thereof for purposes of federal income taxation and to refrain from taking any action which would cause interest on the Bonds to become includable in the gross income of the owners thereof;
10. That the Treasurer and the Chair be authorized to designate any of the Bonds, as applicable, as qualified tax exempt obligations for purposes of Section 265(b)(3) of the Code;
11. That the Treasurer be authorized to prepare, or cause to be prepared, a Preliminary Official Statement and an Official Statement for use in the offering and sale of any of the Bonds herein authorized, any such Preliminary Official Statement and Official Statement to be in such form and contain such information as may be approved by the Treasurer,

and that the use and distribution of any such Preliminary Official Statement and Official Statement in the name and on behalf of the RSU in connection with offering the Bonds for sale be approved;

12. That the Treasurer be authorized to covenant and agree, on behalf of the RSU, for the benefit of the holders of the Bonds, that the City will file any required reports, make any annual financial or material event disclosures, and take any other actions that may be necessary to ensure that the disclosure requirements imposed by Rule 15c2-12 of the Securities and Exchange Commission, if applicable, are met;
13. That the Treasurer, Chair, Secretary and other proper officials of the RSU, acting singly, be authorized and empowered in its name and on its behalf to execute and deliver such other documents and certificates and to do or cause to be done all such other acts and things, not inconsistent herewith, as may be necessary or desirable in order to effect the issuance, sale and delivery of the Bonds and the accomplishment of the Project herein authorized;
14. That if the Treasurer, Chair, or Secretary, as applicable, be unavailable for any reason to approve, execute, or attest the Bonds or any related financing documents, the person or persons then acting in any such capacity, whether as assistant, deputy, or otherwise, be authorized to act for such unavailable official with the same force and effect as if such official had himself/herself performed such act;
15. That if any of the officers or officials of the RSU who have signed, attested, or as applicable sealed the Bonds shall cease to be such officers or officials before the Bonds so signed, attested, and sealed shall have been actually authenticated or delivered by the RSU, such Bonds nevertheless may be authenticated, delivered, and issued with the same force and effect as though the person or persons who signed, attested, or as applicable sealed the Bonds had not ceased to be such officer or official; and also, any such Bonds may be signed, attested, or as applicable sealed on behalf of the RSU by those persons who, at the actual date of execution of the Bonds, shall be the proper officers or officials of the RSU, although at the nominal date of the Bonds any such person shall not have been such officer or official;
16. That the RSU hereby resolves and declares its official intent pursuant to Section 1.150-2(e) of the Treasury Regulations that the RSU reasonably expects to use the proceeds of the Bonds to reimburse certain original expenditures from the RSU's general or other fund, paid not earlier than 60 days prior to adoption of this Resolution or to be paid, which original expenditures have been or will be incurred in connection with costs of the Project; and that the RSU reasonably expects that the maximum principal amount that the City will issue to finance the Project is \$67,747,549.00; and further that an attested copy of this resolution and declaration of official intent be kept with the records of the Bonds as required by the Code and be reasonably available for public inspection; and
17. That the Secretary file an attested copy of this Resolution with the minutes of this meeting.

Dated this 15th day of November, 2016:

Being a majority of the School Board of Regional School Unit No. 19

A true copy, attest:



Michael Hammer

Secretary

Regional School Unit No. 19

(Note: file an attested copy of this Order with the meeting minutes)

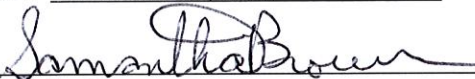
**REGIONAL SCHOOL UNIT 19
COMPUTATION AND DECLARATION OF VOTES**

The total number of votes cast in all of the municipalities within Regional School Unit No. 19 (the "Regional School Unit") in the affirmative and in the negative on Question 1 of the Warrant and Notice of Election of the Regional School Unit Budget Validation Referendum held November 8, 2016, relating to the adoption of the Regional School Unit's 2016-2017 budget is as follows:

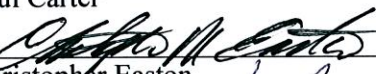
Article 1	AFFIRMATIVE	NEGATIVE
Town of Corinna	<u>567</u>	<u>436</u>
Town of Dixmont	<u>397</u>	<u>272</u>
Town of Etna	<u>280</u>	<u>315</u>
Town of Hartland	<u>334</u>	<u>528</u>
Town of Newport	<u>800</u>	<u>722</u>
Town of Palmyra	<u>502</u>	<u>499</u>
Town of Plymouth	<u>318</u>	<u>347</u>
Town of St. Albans	<u>497</u>	<u>553</u>
TOTAL	<u>3,695</u>	<u>3,672</u>

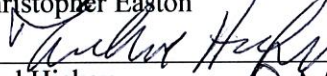
The School Board hereby declares that said Question has **passed**.

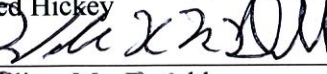
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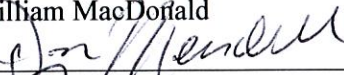
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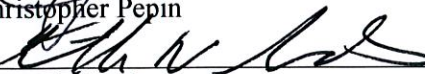
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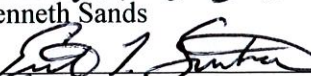
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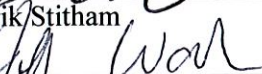
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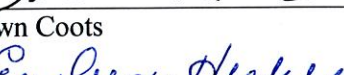
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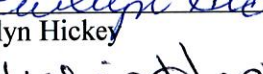
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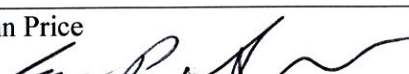
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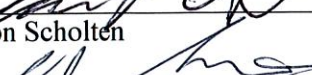
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A majority of the School Board of Regional School Unit No. 19

A true copy, attest:


Michael Hammer, Secretary