

**KIDS REGIONAL SCHOOL UNIT #2
BOARD OF DIRECTORS REGIONAL BUDGET MEETING**

DATE: MONDAY, JUNE 1, 2009
PLACE: HALL-DALE HIGH SCHOOL
TIME: 6:00 PM

PRESENT: Chair O'Neil LaPlante, Vice-Chair Jim Grandahl, Directors Joan Drappeau, Dawn Gallagher, Gary Getchell, Rich Howard, Jon Lambert, Linda Leet, Cory Munsey, Mark Pearson and Tracey Woodman

MEMBERS ABSENT: Director Sarah McNaughton

ALSO PRESENT: Donald Siviski, Superintendent of Schools
Approximately 200 members of the community

I. Superintendent of Schools

- Open meeting
- Read Return of Service of the Warrant

Superintendent Siviski called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM and read the Return of Service of the Warrant.

II. Moderator

To Choose a Moderator to preside at said meeting

Superintendent Siviski called for nominations for Moderator. Director Jon Lambert **motioned** the name of Scott Clark. Director Gary Getchell **seconded** the nomination. Chair O'Neil LaPlante **motioned** for nominations to cease. Superintendent Siviski called for a vote for Scott Clark as Moderator. The vote was **unanimous**.

The Oath of Office was administrated to Scott Clark as Moderator and documents were signed.

Moderator Clark outlined the voting procedures for the meeting and announced that the Maine Moderator's Manual would serve as a reference for rules and procedures.

Director Cory Munsey **moved** the adoption of the Moderator's Manual and the State of Maine laws related to public schools. Chair O'Neil LaPlante **seconded, voted in favor unanimously**.

While Moderator Clark administered the Oath of Office to the Ballot Clerks and signed documents, Superintendent Siviski reviewed the seventeen articles on the warrant and highlighted areas in the budget which generated increases and decreases.

Moderator Clark presented Article 1.

ARTICLE 1

To see what sum the Regional School Unit will be authorized to expend for Regular Instruction.
Regional School Unit Board Recommends \$9,766,097

The Article was **moved** by Director Gary Getchell. The Article was **seconded** by Director Cory Munsey. The vote was **unanimous**.

Moderator Clark reviewed Article 2.

ARTICLE 2

To see what sum the Regional School Unit will be authorized to expend for Special Education. **Regional School Unit Board Recommends \$3,627,853**

The Article was **moved** by Director Tracey Woodman. The Article was **seconded** by Director Rich Howard. The vote was **unanimous**.

Moderator Clark reviewed Article 3.

ARTICLE 3

To see what sum the Regional School Unit will be authorized to expend for Career and Technical Education. **Regional School Unit Board Recommends \$261,818**

The Article was **moved** by Director Rich Howard. The Article was **seconded** by Director Mark Pearson. The vote was **unanimous**.

Moderator Clark reviewed Article 4.

ARTICLE 4

To see what sum the Regional School Unit will be authorized to expend for Other Instruction. **Regional School Unit Board Recommends \$708,489**

The Article was **moved** by Chair O'Neil LaPlante. The Article was **seconded** by Director Tracey Woodman. The vote was **unanimous**.

Moderator Clark reviewed Article 5.

ARTICLE 5

To see what sum the Regional School Unit will be authorized to expend for Student and Staff Support. **Regional School Unit Board Recommends \$2,366,649**

The Article was **moved** by Director Cory Munsey. The Article was **seconded** by Director Mark Pearson. The vote was **unanimous**.

Moderator Clark reviewed Article 6.

ARTICLE 6

To see what sum the Regional School Unit will be authorized to expend for System Administration. **Regional School Unit Board Recommends \$688,295**

The Article was **moved** by Chair O'Neil LaPlante. The Article was **seconded** by Director Cory Munsey. The vote was **unanimous**.

Moderator Clark reviewed Article 7.

ARTICLE 7

To see what sum the Regional School Unit will be authorized to expend for School Administration. **Regional School Unit Board Recommends \$1,346,186**

The Article was **moved** by Director Rich Howard. The Article was **seconded** by Mark Pearson. The vote was **unanimous**.

Moderator Clark reviewed Article 8.

ARTICLE 8

To see what sum the Regional School Unit will be authorized to expend for Transportation and Buses. **Regional School Unit Board Recommends \$1,348,044**

The Article was **moved** by Director Rich Howard. The Article was **seconded** by Chair O'Neil LaPlante. The vote was **unanimous**.

Moderator Clark reviewed Article 9.

ARTICLE 9

To see what sum the Regional School Unit will be authorized to expend for Facilities Maintenance. **Regional School Unit Board Recommends \$2,963,025**

The Article was **moved** by Director Rich Howard. The Article was **seconded** by Director Cory Munsey. The vote was **unanimous**.

Moderator Clark reviewed Article 10.

ARTICLE 10

To see what sum the Regional School Unit will be authorized to expend for Debt Service and Other Commitments. **Regional School Unit Board Recommends \$1,827,219**

The Article was **moved** by Director Dawn Gallagher. The Article was **seconded** by Vice-Chair Jim Grandahl. The vote was **unanimous**.

Moderator Clark reviewed Article 11.

ARTICLE 11

To see what sum the Regional School Unit will be authorized to expend for All Other Expenditures. **Regional School Unit Board Recommends \$79,494**

The Article was **moved** by Director Dawn Gallagher. The Article was **seconded** by Director Rich Howard. The vote was **unanimous**.

Moderator Clark reviewed Article 12.

ARTICLE 12

To see what sum the Regional School Unit will appropriate for the total cost of funding public education from kindergarten to grade 12 as described in the Essential Programs and Services Funding Act and to see what sum the Regional School Unit will raise and assess as each municipality’s contribution to the total cost of funding public education from kindergarten to grade 12 as described in the Essential Programs and Services Funding Act in accordance with the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 20-A, section 15688. **Recommended amounts set forth below:**

Total Appropriated (by municipality):	Total raised (and Regional School Unit assessments by municipality):
Town of Dresden: \$2,051,891	Town of Dresden: \$901,992
Town of Farmingdale: \$4,489,371	Town of Farmingdale: \$1,168,258
City of Hallowell: \$3,326,626	City of Hallowell: \$1,363,817
Town of Monmouth: \$6,818,522	Town of Monmouth: \$2,293,518
Town of Richmond: \$4,783,708	Town of Richmond: \$1,721,174
School Regional School Unit Total Appropriated	School Regional School Unit Total Raised:
(Sum of above) \$21,470,118	(Sum of above) \$7,448,759

The Article was **moved** by Director Rich Howard. The Article was **seconded** by Chair O’Neil LaPlante. The vote was **unanimous**.

Moderator Clark reviewed Article 13.

ARTICLE 13

To see what sum the Regional School Unit will raise and appropriate for the annual payments on debt service previously approved by the Regional School Unit voters for non-state-funded school construction projects, non-state-funded portions of school construction projects and minor capital projects in addition to the funds appropriated as the local share of the Regional School Unit’s contribution to the total cost of funding public education from kindergarten to grade 12. **Regional School Unit Board Recommends \$249,728.00**

The Article was **moved** by Director Tracey Woodman. The Article was **seconded** by Director Cory Munsey. The vote was **unanimous**.

Moderator Clark reviewed Article 14.

ARTICLE 14

(Written ballot required). To see what sum the Regional School Unit will raise and appropriate in additional local funds (**Recommend \$2,673,322.00**), which exceeds the State’s Essential Programs and Services allocation model by (**Recommend \$2,190,359.00**) as required to fund the budget recommended by the Regional School Unit Board.

The Regional School Unit Board recommends \$2,673,322.00 for additional local funds and gives the following reasons for exceeding the State’s Essential Programs and Services funding model by \$2,190,359.00:

1. Cost of maintaining Teacher – Student ratios
2. Cost of maintaining Co- and Extra-Curricular programs
3. Start-up cost of RSU

The Article was **moved** by Vice-Chair Jim Grandahl. The Article was **seconded** by Director Cory Munsey. Steve Kolenda **motioned** to amend the article to the amount of \$1,723,322. The motion did not pass.

The original Article was **moved** by Vice-Chair Jim Grandahl. The Article was **seconded** by Director Cory Munsey.

Moderator Clark explained the written ballot voting process and called for a vote. Citizens responded by voting “Yes” or “No” to Article 14 on written ballot and were so validated as a registered voter by the Ballot Clerks from each town. The Moderator verified the integrity of the ballot box, the registration process and vote tabulation. He directed a signed attested copy of the tally and placed all ballots in a sealed container. Moderator Clark announced that the Article was **voted in favor. Yes = 166 No = 15 Void = 2**

Moderator Clark reviewed Article 15.

ARTICLE 15

To see what sum the Regional School Unit will authorize the Regional School Unit Board to expend for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2009 and ending June 30, 2010 from the Regional School Unit’s contribution to the total cost of funding public education from kindergarten to grade 12 as described in the Essential Programs and Services Funding Act, non-state-funded school construction projects, additional local funds for school purposes under the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 20-A, section 15690, unexpended balances, tuition receipts, state subsidy and other receipts for the support of schools. **Regional School Unit Board Recommends \$24,983,169**

The Article was **moved** by Vice-Chair Jim Grandahl. The Article was **seconded** by Director Cory Munsey. The vote was **unanimous**.

Moderator Clark reviewed Article 16.

ARTICLE 16

Shall the Regional School Unit Board be authorized to expend such other sums as may be received from federal or state grants or programs or other sources during the fiscal year for school purposes provided that such grants, programs or other sources do not require the expenditure of other funds not previously appropriated?

The Article was **moved** by Chair O’Neil LaPlante. The Article was **seconded** by Director Tracey Woodman. The vote was **unanimous**.

Moderator Clark reviewed Article 17.

ARTICLE 17

To see if Regional School Unit No. 2 will appropriate \$263,129 for adult education and raise \$82,684 as the local share; with authorization to expend any additional, incidental, or miscellaneous receipts in the interest and for the well-being of the adult education program.

The Article was **moved** by Peter Thibedeau. The Article was **seconded** by Chair O'Neil LaPlante. The vote was **unanimous**.

III. ADJOURNMENT

The Moderator called for adjournment. Director Cory Munsey **moved** to adjourn the meeting at 7:30 PM. Director Gary Getchell **seconded** the motion, **voted in favor unanimously**.

Respectfully Submitted,

Donald L. Siviski
Superintendent of Schools

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