

MILLINOCKET SCHOOL COMMITTEE REGULAR MEETING  
STEARNS JUNIOR-SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL LIBRARY  
TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 9, 2016

**4:00 PM**

<b>Jeffrey Gordon</b>	<b>Present (4:00)</b>
<b>Kevin Gregory</b>	<b>Present</b>
<b>Michael Jewers, Chair</b>	<b>Present</b>
<b>Margaret Manzo</b>	<b>Present</b>
<b>Warren Steward</b>	<b>Present</b>
<b>Francis Boynton, Superintendent</b>	<b>Present</b>
<b>Christopher Brown, Student Representative</b>	<b>Present</b>

**I. Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order at 3:55 PM by Michael B. Jewers, Chairperson.

**II. Adjustments to the Agenda**

**VIIa. To see if the Board will enter into executive session MRSA § 405(6)(D) Labor contract discussion**

**Moved student discipline executive sessions before administrative reports.**

**Tabled executive session X. contracts**

**III. Public Comment**

None

**IV. Approval of Minutes**

**Motion:** To approve the minutes of the School Board Meetings January 12 and January 26, 2016, barring any errors or omissions.

**Motion by:** Warren Steward    **Seconded by:** Margaret Manzo

**Board Discussion:**

None

**Vote:** 4 – Yes      0 – No      0 – Abs

**V. Payroll Warrant**

**Motion:** It was moved to direct the Superintendent of Schools to authorize payment by the Town Treasurer to each party listed herein, the sum set against each name contained in School Payroll Warrant #16-17 in the amount of \$132,279.55 on February 11, 2016.

**Motioned by:** Warren Steward    **Seconded by:** Margaret Manzo

**Board Discussion:**

None

**Voted:** 4 - Yes        0 - No        0 - Abs

**VI. Payable Warrant**

**Motion:** It was moved to direct the Superintendent of Schools to authorize payment by the Town Treasurer to each party listed herein, the sum set against each name contained in School Payable Warrant #16-24 in the amount of \$643.80 and #16-25 in the amount of \$161,812.79 on February 11, 2016.

**Motioned by:** Kevin Gregory    **Seconded by:** Margaret Manzo

**Board Discussion:**

None

**Voted:** 3 - Yes        0 - No        1 - Abs (Kevin Gregory)

**VII. Student Representative Report**

**Student Representative Chris Brown reported:**

**Board Discussion:**

The French Club is raising funds to go on a trip. They had a bake sale at Rite Aid and raised approximately \$300.

The District V Jazz Festival is being held at Stearns on February 10. There will be 16 schools coming to perform. Stearns is performing at 8:45 AM.

**VIIa. To see if the Board will enter into executive session MRSA § 405(6)(D) Labor contract discussion**

**Motion:** To enter into executive session pursuant to 1 MRSA § 405(6)(D) Labor contract discussion with attorney including Donald Fontaine and Campbell Badger.

**Motioned by:** Kevin Gregory    **Seconded by:** Margaret Manzo

**Board Discussion:**

This executive session will be held in the Superintendent's Office

**Voted:** 4 - Yes      0 - No                      0 - Abs

**Time In:** 4:05 PM    **Time Out:** 4:21 PM

**Result of executive session:**

No motion as result of executive session.

**VIII. To see if the Board will enter into executive session MRSA § 405(6)(B) Student Discipline**

**Motion:** To enter into executive session pursuant to 1 MRSA § 405(6)(B) Student Discipline

**Motioned by:** Kevin Gregory    **Seconded by:** Margaret Manzo

**Board Discussion:**

None

**Voted:** 5 - Yes      0 - No                      0 - Abs

**Time In:** 4:22 PM    **Time Out:** 5:04 PM

**Result of executive session:**

**Motion:** To have Student A attend school on the recommendation schedule using zero tolerance for absenteeism.

**Motion by:** Jeffrey Gordon                      **Seconded by:** Warren Steward

**Voted:** 5 - Yes      0 - No                      0 - Abs

**IX. To see if the Board will enter into executive session MRSA § 405(6)(B) Student Discipline**

**Motion:** To enter into executive session pursuant to 1 MRSA § 405(6)(B) Student Discipline

**Motioned by:** Warren Steward    **Seconded by:** Jeffrey Gordon

**Board Discussion:**

None

**Voted:** 5 - Yes      0 - No      0 - Abs

**Time In:** 5:06 PM    **Time Out:** 5:23 PM

**Result of executive session:**

**Motion:** To require Student B to maintain acceptable attendance and grades.

**Motion by:** Kevin Gregory                      **Seconded by:** Margaret Manzo

**Voted:** 5 - Yes      0 - No      0 – Abs

**X. To see if the Board will enter into executive session MRSA § 405(6)(B) Student Discipline**

**Motion:** To enter into executive session pursuant to 1 MRSA § 405(6)(B) Student Discipline

**Motioned by:** Kevin Gregory    **Seconded by:** Margaret Manzo

**Board Discussion:**

None

**Voted:** 5 - Yes      0 - No      0 - Abs

**Time In:** 5:32 PM    **Time Out:** 6:12 PM

**Result of executive session:**

**Motion:** To authorize the Superintendent to develop a contract for the performance of Student C.

**Motion by:** Kevin Gregory                      **Seconded by:** Warren Steward

**Voted:** 5 - Yes      0 - No      0 – Abs

**XI. Administrative Reports**

**Pre-K – 12 Principal Deborah Levesque reported:**

**Board Discussion:**

None

**Assistant Principal/AD Fredy Lazo reported:**

**Board Discussion:**

None

**Facilities Director Louie DiFrederico reported:**

None

## **XII. Superintendent's Report**

Report of time:

Completed through June 30, 2015 with scheduled workshops 260/210

Work days July 1, 2015 to present: 149/210

Vacation days remaining: 20/20

Sick Days remaining: 18.5/20

I will focus on the review of funding forms from the state. It is clear the Pre-Kindergarten program has had a major effect on the funding from the state in two aspects one is the revenue increase, and the second to maintain the enrollment for this year. As you can see from the figures, our enrollment has increased from 504 students in October to 519 at present. This is due for two reasons - one is Pre-Kindergarten and the second is several students who have transferred into the other grades. All are a good sign for us. I will plan to present the revenue information to the Town on February 25, 2016. They will get the same information you are receiving today.

We did sign the contract for heating fuel for next year. We got a price of \$1.459 for Stearns and \$1.519 for Granite. This is remarkable and I will put in a budget request for a fuel reserve again this year. I expect this is the time to put some funding away for future use.

I am working to put the budget together for next year based on the funding levels we discussed. There is a movement in the legislature to increase funding, as the present budget represents flat state funding. I anticipate that this would only help us going forward.

We are having some discussions with our schools in China about an April trip similar to last year. The plan will be to meet with parents of students here and recruit students for next year. I expect the trip will follow the same schedule of the week before April vacation and vacation week.

Two new international students have arrived and are integrating into the school populations. Valentina is from Brazil, and Tonglin is from China. Both students have already made friends and are participating in school functions.

**Board Discussion:**

Review of the ED279 with the Board.

**XIII. To see if the Board will enter into executive session MRSA § 405(6)(D)  
Contract**

Tabled

**XIV. Adjournment**

Meeting adjourned at 6:24 PM.

**Motion by:** Margaret Manzo

**Seconded by:** Jeffery Gordon

**Voted:** 5 - Yes    0 - No    0 - Abs

**Upcoming Meetings:**

Tuesday, February 23 – Warrant Meeting at 4:00 PM in the **Granite Street School Conference Room**

Tuesday, March 8– Regular Meeting at 4:00 PM in the Stearns Junior-Senior High School library

Tuesday, March 22 – Warrant Meeting at 4:00 PM in the Stearns Junior-Senior High School library

Respectfully submitted,

Francis N. Boynton  
Superintendent of Schools