

BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

Minutes

Wednesday February 9, 2022

Online Meeting

Attendees: Colin Walsh (RSU 57), Jeremy Ray (Saco, Dayton & Biddeford), Andrew Dolloff (Yarmouth), John Suttie (RSU 23), Matt Nelson (Sanford), Stephen Marquis (RSU57), Brenda Bussey – Executive Director

1. CALL TO ORDER – 9:02 A.M.

2. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR’S REPORT –

1. The following list summarizes the items that were of interest from the initial one-on-one meetings. Please review this and let Brenda know if there are new priorities. She will be requesting another one-on-one meeting with each superintendent,

Tents/Canopies - 7 interested

Cell Phone Service - 6 interested - 2 followed through

Computers/Technology - 6 interested

Fuel/Utilities - 5 interested – Introduced solar

Professional Development - 4 interested - Ongoing – Brenda will be meeting with other Service Centers – Andrew Dolloff suggested a sub-committee to take the lead on this.

Printers/Copiers - 4 interested

Touchless Thermometers - 4 interested - a couple ordered

Frontline - 3 interested - in the works with the Business Managers

Teaching Materials - 3 interested

Buses - 3 interested - discussed at last meeting

Paper Supplies - 3 interested

Insurance - Some interest - Every region customized

There was a discussion about the Math program, but it appears that every region is doing something different. That is one of the issues that Brenda is running into.

2. Working on getting a meeting together with the other ME Regional Service Centers - Scheduled for next week – Brenda will ask them what they are doing for Professional Development, what is working and what is not.
  3. Next meeting with Business Managers - Review Frontline needs – Colin says he has been extremely busy and feels the other Business Managers may be as well. Brenda will email them about availability.
3. TREASURER’S REPORT
1. Financial Update – Colin reviewed the Banking Register. The State funding of ~\$22k is due within the next couple weeks. Colin suggests that we discuss the FY23 budget at the next meeting. Brenda, Colin and John will meet to review prior to the next meeting.
  2. Audit Update – Colin is in the process of reviewing the draft.
4. BOARD CHAIR’S REPORT
1. Spring PD – Andrew talked about the Yarmouth U program he has through his district. It is Graduate level courses where the instructors are paid a stipend to present and students earn credits that can be used only at Yarmouth for salary incentives. They are not transferrable to other districts. Perhaps we could look at a regional program. There was some concern about allowing the credits to be used regionally as they fear teachers will earn the credits and move to another district. Andrew will send the documents he currently uses. Brenda offered to coordinate the program if it moves forward.
5. NEW BUSINESS
1. Any DOE Concerns – Colin does not see any problems with the DOE. There are no red flags.
  2. There was some discussion about centralizing Bus Driver Training Certification. RSU55 and Sanford currently contract out, so they would not be part of this

program. Perhaps we could invite other regions, or the certification provider may want to open it up to others. Brenda will look into bringing an instructor to us.

6. OLD BUSINESS

Solar -

John Suttie – RSU23 is currently in negotiations. They were offered 15%.

Jeremy Ray – RSU57 is in at 20%.

Andrew Dolloff – Yarmouth already signed on.

Matt Nelson – Sanford board is not comfortable with the 20-year commitment.

7. PUBLIC COMMENT

8. ADJOURNED – 9:40 A.M.