

**EUSTIS SCHOOL DEPARTMENT
TUESDAY, September 10, 2024**

MINUTES

- I. Call to order – Sarah Strunk, Co-Chair
C. Cote and D. Richards were absent.**
- II. Pledge of Allegiance**
- III. See if the Board will approve the minutes of the 8/13/24 meeting? J.Brickley motioned to approve. Seconded by J. Ilsley. Vote in favor 3-0.**
- IV. Welcome Guests**
- V. Principal's Report**
- 1. School Updates – There was some discussion on the Class of 2020 \$1,000 scholarship as well as the present 8th Grade Class Trip. There was discussion at a past board meeting about the 8th grade class staying in Maine for their class trip.**
 - Mrs. Emery noted the After School Program will begin Monday, September 23, in conjunction with the town. We had earmarked \$11,129.80 including a \$5,000 Sugarloaf Charitable Grant for the After School Program. This \$11,129.80 was recently transferred to the Town. The program will start for grades 1-4 with the hope to expand.**
 - We have just posted a notice on collecting bids for plowing the school this year. Sealed bids will be opened at the next board meeting in October.**
 - The Harvest Fest is planned for October 3.**
 - At the October meeting, the PBIS Handbook will be given to the board for review.**
 - Peter Bruell, the High School Bus Driver, will be out for 6 weeks due to having knee surgery. Les will cover the High School run and Shawn will cover the local run. When there is an away game, the local run will be canceled and parents made aware.**
 - On August 26 the staff had a 3 hour Active Shooter Training by Dirigo RMS.**

The School and Grow Dome Tour was postponed until the October meeting when all members are present.
- VI. Superintendent's Report**
- 1. Town Lot Update – Barry reported that the land on Route #16 was a better choice than the Nadeau Building Lot for a shared garage between the school and the town. The Nadeau building lot in time will become the school's property.**
 - 2. Solar Panels – Consider? – Barry will be meeting with Keri Warms from EEI on Wednesday of this week. Barry noted that we can fill out an application by October 1, but does not commit us now and can be done next summer, if we decide. Barry did note we would have to change our power to a 3 phase power and work that in to the grant. This will be put on the Agenda for October to discuss further.**
 - 3. For the past ten years, since we left MSAD #58 district, we agreed to pay 105% of the tuition rate. After ten years, we were to be billed our regular rate. The MSAD #58 board is discussing to continue to charge us 105% or not take our students. They have two years**

to let us know of this intent. Further discussion will take place if they do decide to charge us more.

4. We recently purchased copy paper with MSAD #58 as they found a good price and supplier.

VII. School Chair's Report – Sarah noted changes to our policy that MSMA suggested.

ACR – Grievance procedure for students with disabilities – change code to IHBAL

ACAA – Revisions of MSMA Harassment and Sexual Harassment of Students

VIII. Public Comment

IX. Discussion Items

1. **Adjustment to the Agenda**
2. **Hire Boys Soccer Coach – Thomas Keen**
3. **Hire Girls Soccer Coach – Stephanie Keen**
4. **Approval of Dress Code**
5. **Hire a Night Time Custodian – Abe Darienzzo**

IX. Action Items

1. **To see if the Board will approve the hiring of Thomas Keen as the Boys Soccer Coach? J.Brickley motioned to approve. J. Ilsley seconded. Vote in favor: 3-0**
2. **To see if the Board will approve the hiring of Stephanie Keen as the Girls Soccer Coach?**
3. **J.Brickley motioned to approve. J. Ilsley seconded. Vote in favor: 3-0**
4. **To see if the Board will approve the Dress Code as presented. J.Brickley motioned to approve. J. Ilsley seconded. Vote in favor: 3-0**
5. **To see if the Board will approve the hiring of Abe Darienzzo as the Night Time Custodian? J. Brickley motioned to approve. J. Ilsley seconded. Vote in favor: 3-0.**
6. **To see if the Board will approve the \$11,129.80 earmarked for the After School Program being paid to the Town of Eustis for the program? J. Brickley motioned to approve. J. Ilsley seconded. Vote in favor: 3-0.**
7. **To see if the Board will approve the change of the code for Grievance Disabilities in Section ACR. J. Ilsley motioned to approve. J.Brickley seconded. Vote in favor: 3-0**
8. **To see if the Board will approve the acceptance of the Harassment and Sexual Harassment of students in code ACAA? J. Brickley motioned to approve. J. Ilsley seconded. Vote in favor 3-0.**

- X. Adjournment – J. Brickley motioned to adjourn at 6:20. Seconded by J. Ilsley. vote in favor: 3-0.**