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Minutes
Machias School Committee
Wednesday, March 29, 2023
Machias Memorial High School
4:00 PM

Attendance: Teresa Saddler, Richard Shaw, Joleen Nicely, William Weaver.
Others Present: Amanda Sprague, Mary Maker, Sue Dow, Nicole Case, Scott Porter.

- I. Call to order at 4:00 p.m. by Teresa Saddler.
- II. **Approval of the minutes of March 8, 2023.**

Motion by Richard Shaw to approve the minutes of March 8, 2023.
Second: William Weaver; Vote: 4-0.

III. **Agenda Adjustments:**

Surplus Property as Item 4.

IV. **Public Comment:**

A School Committee member commented regarding the tragic school shooting in Nashville. The Committee member and administration discussed school safety.

V. **Principals' Reports:**

RMG: Enclosed.
MMHS: Enclosed.

VI. **New Business:**

1. **Project Updates:**

The Superintendent and Machias Administrators updated the School Committee on the Machias Memorial High School classroom project. The Administrators also discussed developing a lobby area at the high school that would enhance school safety. It was also mentioned that administrators are getting an updated estimate to add two classrooms to the Alternative Education building.

2. ESSER Funds Planning:

The Superintendent informed the School Committee that it has become evident that the new gravel road that connects the Machias High School parking lot to the Rose M. Gaffney parking lot needs to be paved. The Superintendent also mentioned building a new basketball court in the green space between MMHS and RMG. These projects can be funded with ESSER grants.

3. Draft 23/24 School Budget:

The Superintendent and Machias Administrators reviewed the draft 23/24 school budget with the School Committee.

4. Surplus Property:

The Machias Memorial High School Principal reported that several outdated pieces of equipment need to be put out to bid. The Principal described the equipment to the School Committee. The School Committee authorized the Principal to put the equipment out to bid.

VII. Adjournment:

Motion to adjourn at 5:03 p.m. by Teresa Saddler.

Second: Richard Shaw; Vote: 4-0.

Respectfully Submitted,



Scott K. Porter

Superintendent of Schools

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Machias Bay Area School System

Rose M. Gaffney Principals Report 3/26/23**Enrollment: 330**

- 1. Mrs. Roy's classroom had a Donor Choose fully funded for the "Ancient Art for Fifth Grade" project. She will be receiving art materials for this unit of study.**
- 2. Our 5-6 basketball teams have been doing very well at their weekend tourneys they have participated in.**
- 3. Mrs. Kilton has chosen one student from each grade to represent RMG at the Easport's 9th Annual Student Art Exhibit.**
- 4. We participated in World's Down Syndrome Day by wearing mismatched socks.**
- 5. JMG is hosting their annual food drive for our local food pantry. Over 300 items have been collected so far.**
- 6. Several of our classes are participating in nutrition classes through Healthy Acadia. The students create new healthy recipes and sample new foods. We are working on hosting an adult nutrition class for the parents.**
- 7. Lori Martin will be attending the National Nurses conference in June in Florida. This is grant funded so it doesn't cost the local budget.**
- 8. Our 2nd grade students attended Church's sugar shack recently and learned how maple syrup is produced.**

MMHS Principal's Report March 29, 2023

Current Enrollment

- ◆ 171

2022-2023 Enrollment

- ◆ Freshmen 39
- ◆ Sophomores 51
- ◆ Juniors 38
- ◆ Seniors 42

What's Going On

- ◆ Classroom
 - Slow progress
- ◆ Pre-Registration
- ◆ MMHS Science - Jim Lenke
 - NASA - MAXIQ - South African Company
- ◆ Two Traditional Snow Days
 - Last Day, Friday, June 16th
- ◆ MPA Conference

Athletics

- ◆ Cheering
 - Trip was fantastic!
- ◆ Baseball
 - 24 players
 - JV Team
- ◆ Softball