

AOS 96
Superintendent's Office
291 Court Street
Machias, ME 04654
(207) 255-6585

**Minutes
Machias School Committee
Wednesday, May 8, 2019
Superintendent's Office
4:30 PM**

Attendance: Teresa Saddler, Richard Shaw, Carolyn Nadeau, Joleen Nicely, Amanda Little.

Others Present: Brian Leavitt, Mary Maker, Mitchell Look, Scott Porter.

I. Call to order at 4:30 p.m. by Teresa Saddler.

II. **Approval of the minutes of April 17, 2019.**

Motion by Richard Shaw to approve the minutes of April 17, 2019.
Second: Joleen Nicely; Vote: 5-0.

III. **Agenda Adjustments:** None.

IV. **Principal's Report:**

RMG: Enclosed.
MMHS: Enclosed.

V. **New Business:**

1. Nomination of Probationary Teachers:

The Superintendent nominated Cherie Chute as an elementary teacher at the Rose M. Gaffney School for the 2019/2020 school year.

Motion by Teresa Saddler to approve the Superintendent's nomination of Cherie Chute as an elementary teacher at the Rose M. Gaffney School for the 2019/2020 school year.
Second: Joleen Nicely; Vote: 5-0.

The Superintendent nominated Brianna Bradford as a Special Education teacher at the Rose M. Gaffney School for the 2019/2020 school year.

Motion by Teresa Saddler to approve the Superintendent's nomination of Brianna Bradford as a Special Education teacher at the Rose M. Gaffney School for the 2019/2020 school year.
Second: Joleen Nicely; Vote: 5-0.

The Superintendent nominated Tom Manship as an elementary teacher at the Rose M. Gaffney School for the 2019/2020 school year.

Motion by Teresa Saddler to approve the Superintendent's nomination of Tom Manship as an elementary teacher at the Rose M. Gaffney School for the 2019/2020 school year.

Second: Joleen Nicely; Vote: 5-0.

The Superintendent nominated Lynda Dolley as a Special Education teacher at the Rose M. Gaffney School for the 2019/2020 school year.

Motion by Teresa Saddler to approve the Superintendent's nomination of Lynda Dolley as a Special Education teacher at the Rose M. Gaffney School for the 2019/2020 school year.

Second: Joleen Nicely; Vote: 5-0.

The Superintendent nominated Rebecca Lee as an elementary teacher at the Rose M. Gaffney School for the 2019/2020 school year.

Motion by Teresa Saddler to approve the Superintendent's nomination of Rebecca Lee as an elementary teacher at the Rose M. Gaffney School for the 2019/2020 school year.

Second: Joleen Nicely; Vote: 5-0.

The Superintendent nominated Mitchell Worcester as a Physical Education teacher at Machias Memorial High School for the 2019/2020 school year.

Motion by Teresa Saddler to approve the Superintendent's nomination of Mitchell Worcester as a Physical Education teacher at Machias Memorial High School for the 2019/2020 school year.

Second: Joleen Nicely; Vote: 5-0.

The Superintendent nominated Heidi Chutter as a Math teacher at Machias Memorial High School for the 2019/2020 school year.

Motion by Teresa Saddler to approve the Superintendent's nomination of Heidi Chutter as a Math teacher at Machias Memorial High School for the 2019/2020 school year.

Second: Joleen Nicely; Vote: 5-0.

The Superintendent nominated Allison Talbot as an English teacher at Machias Memorial High School for the 2019/2020 school year.

Motion by Teresa Saddler to approve the Superintendent's nomination of Allison Talbot as an English teacher at Machias Memorial High School for the 2019/2020 school year.

Second: Joleen Nicely; Vote: 5-0.

The Superintendent nominated Guen Corrigan as a part time English teacher at Machias Memorial High School for the 2019/2020 school year.

Motion by Teresa Saddler to approve the Superintendent's nomination of Guen Corrigan as a part time English teacher at Machias Memorial High School for the 2019/2020 school year.

Second: Joleen Nicely; Vote: 5-0.

The Superintendent nominated Amanda Anderson as a part time Foreign Language teacher at Machias Memorial High School for the 2019/2020 school year.

Motion by Teresa Saddler to approve the Superintendent's nomination of Amanda Anderson as a part time Foreign Language teacher at Machias Memorial High School for the 2019/2020 school year.

Second: Joleen Nicely; Vote: 5-0.

The Superintendent nominated James Lenke as a Science teacher at Machias Memorial High School for the 2019/2020 school year.

Motion by Teresa Saddler to approve the Superintendent's nomination of James Lenke as a Science teacher at Machias Memorial High School for the 2019/2020 school year.

Second: Joleen Nicely; Vote: 5-0.

The Superintendent nominated Emily Mawhinney as a Culinary Arts teacher at Machias Memorial High School for the 2019/2020 school year.

Motion by Teresa Saddler to approve the Superintendent's nomination of Emily Mawhinney as a Culinary Arts teacher at Machias Memorial High School for the 2019/2020 school year.

Second: Joleen Nicely; Vote: 5-0.

2. School Budget Vote Date:

The Superintendent informed the School Committee that the School Budget Vote is scheduled for Tuesday, May 28, 2019 at 6:00 p.m. at the Rose M. Gaffney Gymnasium.

3. CTE Update:

The Superintendent informed the School Committee that all four of new CTE programs have to be submitted to the State for approval by June 28, 2019.

4. Legislative Update:

The Superintendent informed the School Committee regarding several legislative bills that have become law and some bills that are still working

through the legislative process. One of the more prominent bills that has been voted into law is the \$40,000.00 minimum teachers salary initiative.

5. School Lunch Program:

The Superintendent informed the School Committee that he would like to pursue legal action for families with large overdue lunch bills.

Motion by Joleen Nicely to approve the Superintendent pursuing Small Claims Court for Overdue Lunch Bills.

Second: Carolyn Nadeau; Vote: 5-0.

6. Executive Session: Contract Negotiations: 1 M.R.S.A. § 405(6)(D):

Motion to enter into Executive Session at 5:00 p.m. by Joleen Nicely.

Second: Richard Shaw; Vote: 5-0.

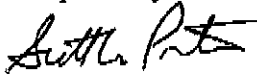
Declared out of Executive Session at 5:16 p.m. by Teresa Saddler.

VI. Adjournment:

Motion to adjourn at 5:17 p.m. by Richard Shaw.

Second: Joleen Nicely; Vote: 5-0.

Respectfully Submitted,



Scott K. Porter

Superintendent of Schools

AOS 96

Machias Bay Area School System

Machias Memorial High School

Principal's Report

May 2019

Teacher Appreciation Week

This week we have been celebrating teachers. Each day of the week we have been doing something special for teachers and staff. Students have been thanking their teachers with a bulletin board and individual cards, Mr. Porter has provided lunch, and I will treat teachers and staff to ice cream on Friday afternoon at Riverside Take Out. We can't thank teachers enough for everything they do for their students and school.

Good Citizenship Award

Smita Martin was chosen to receive the Daughters of the Revolution Good Citizenship Award for 2019. Smita also entered and won the local essay contest. Smita will be recognized at the Academic Awards Night on May 23 in the Machias Memorial High School Gymnasium.

National Honor Society Induction Ceremony

Three new members were inducted into the Machias Memorial High School Chapter of the National Honor Society on April 23. The new members are Breckin Gooch, Smith Martin, and Jason Weaver. Students must demonstrate a high level of academics, character, and leadership to be considered for NHS membership. Ms. Talbot and the current NHS members did a great job organizing the event. Thank you to Mrs. Baker and the MMHS Chorus for performing at the event.

Career & Technical Education Review

On April 25 I travelled to Augusta to meet with the Maine DOE CTE for a Comprehensive School Review orientation. Coastal Washington CIT will be reviewed in the Spring of 2020. There is a lot of work to be completed before then.

NEASC Review

Teachers and administrators have been focused on a Self-Review Study in anticipation of a Fall 2020 school accreditation review. This has been the focus of our professional development for this year. There still remains much to do to complete this study.

Junior Prom

The junior prom was held at the Pellon Center this year. The dance was well organized, attended, and incident free. Everyone had a great time, including some teachers!

NWEA Testing

Sophomores and freshmen will be administered the NWEA exam during the week of May 6. The test is adaptive and measures learning growth for the year in science, math, reading, and language. Students have set learning goals for growth and I have set school-wide learning goals as well.

Important Dates

Academic Awards Night	May 22 @ 6:00 pm
Step-Up Day	May 23 - All Day
Downeast Athletic Conference Banquet	May 23 @ 5:30 pm
Senior Supper	May 29 @ 5:30 pm
Baccalaureate Service @ Congo Church	Thursday, May 30 @ 6:00 pm
Graduation	Sunday, June 2 @ 1:00 pm
Finals Exam Week	June 11 - 15 - All Day
Last Day of School	June 15

RMG Principal's Report
May 8, 2019
Rose M. Gaffney Elementary School

The Principal's Desk

We were happy to recognize our Administrative Assistants during Administrative Professionals Week. Mrs. McCurdy and Ms. O'Neal are an integral part of our day to day operations, and do an excellent job in keeping every one of us (especially me) "on the straight and narrow". Ms. Worcester does an outstanding job as Mr. Fitzsimmon's part time assistant for the G/T program.

This week is Teacher and Nurse Appreciation Week. We are extremely fortunate to have outstanding professionals working with our students. They are dedicated to our school, work hard, and care about our students' well-being and success.

There are a couple of attachments to this month's report. I would like to congratulate Mrs. Shaw and the Gaffney Gazette Staff on the release of their first newspaper. Publishing a school newspaper is very time consuming. The Gazette staff's goal is to publish a paper quarterly next year. I think that you'll agree that they have done a great job!

I have also attached the "End of the Year Checklist". This checklist is updated regularly as the end of the year progresses. It is attached to the weekly Principal's Message which is e-mailed home to parents (as well as anyone else that wants to be on the list).

Just a reminder that you can check us out and see what we're up to!!!

RMG Website: <https://sites.google.com/site/rmgelementaryschool/>

RMG Digital Calendar: <http://localendar.com/public/RMGSchool>

RMG Facebook Page: <https://www.facebook.com/Rose-M-Gaffney-Elementary-School-135592016487990/>

Sports

In spite of rainy weather and wet fields, May 3rd marked the first games of the Baseball/Softball season for RMG. We would love to have you join us. Girls play at Southside and Boys play on the Machias campus. Please check the RMG digital calendar frequently as the ever-changing weather drives the scheduling of games. Our coaches are: Softball – Mary Rhodes and Bob Sinford, Baseball – Scotty Reynolds.

On Friday, May 3rd, 12 RMG students participated in the Special Olympics hosted at UMM. Students had a great day competing in the long jump, softball toss, and races. They competed against many schools in Washington County, and renewed many friendships from last year. Several of our athletes have attended Special Olympics for many years. Participants were treated to hamburgers, hot dogs and ice cream.

Special Events**Shrine Circus**

Many of our 4th grade students attended the Shrine Circus on Saturday, April 22. Thank you to our Shriners for providing this wonderful opportunity each year. Thank you also to our chaperones: Mrs. Burgess, Mrs. Edwards, Mr. Spencer, Mrs. Rice, and Mr. McClure. Events such as this would not be possible without the support of staff members and parent volunteers. Our students had a wonderful time and represented our school well.

JMG

On April 26th, over 200 JMG 8th graders joined together at UNUM for the annual Urban Adventure trip. UNUM hosted the students overnight for two days of career prep "boot camp" which included visiting businesses in the Old Port and participating in a career fair. Students were paired with others with similar career interests. UNUM and JMG hosted various workshops such as team building, diversity, interview skills, cold calling, and social media branding.

JMG will be sponsoring a Spring Spectacular Dance for students in grades 6-8. The dance will take place in the RMG Gym from 7:00-9:00 on Friday, May 10.

Art

Over 50 RMG artists in grades PreK-5 are represented by artwork currently displayed at Porter Memorial Library. Artwork will be displayed through early May.

Music

We enjoyed a special night of music as select students from RMG and MMHS performed at our annual Solo & Ensemble night. Each student is to be congratulated on their amazing performance.

Students participating in the Music Festival held in Calais last weekend did an excellent job of representing our school and showcasing their talents. Twelve of our students participated in the Washington County Honors Festival. The festival included a concert band, combined chorus, and high school jazz ensemble. Each group practiced under the direction of a guest clinician. Our students had a fantastic time making music.

RMG and MMHS Grades 5-12 Spring Concert will take place in the RMG Gym on Thursday. The concert will begin at 5:30. The public is welcome! Please join us as we celebrate our outstanding student musicians.

Bikes for Books

The "Bikes for Books" program sponsored by Harwood Lodge #91 has been extended until May 10. The more books students read the higher their chances of winning. For every 3 books read, students will receive a slip from the classroom teacher to put into the classroom can. On May 17th the names of one boy and one girl from grades PreK-6 will be drawn from each classroom to receive a new bicycle and helmet donated by Harwood Masonic Lodge #91, Machias. We here at RMG are extremely lucky to have the support of our community members!!

Planetarium

RMG was visited by John Meader from the Northern Stars Planetarium. Students in grades 4-8 visited the mobile planetarium which was set up in the gym. Topics ranged from Volcano's, The Night Sky, Earth the Ocean Planet, and Stars. Thank you to Mrs. Moores for organizing this event.

PAWS

The PAWS sponsored Book Fair is taking place this week. It is set up in the RMG Gym. Hours of operation are: Monday 8-2:30, Tuesday 8:00-5:00, and Wednesday 8:00-2:30. Thank you to our PAWS group volunteers for organizing and managing this event.

GO BULLDOGS!!!!

END OF YEAR EVENTS AS OF MAY 2019

- May 6-10 Teacher Appreciation Week
- May 6-8 PAWS Sponsored Book Fair
 *May 6 – 8:00 - 2:30
 *May 7 – 8:00 - 5:00
 *May 8 – 8:00 - 2:30
- May 9 *No Edge Today
 *Spring Concert RMG & MMHS Band & Chorus Grades 5-12
 5:30 RMG Gym
- May 10 *JMG Sponsored Spring Spectacular Dance 6:00-8:00
 *Monmouth Theater PreK-8 1:00
- May 12 Mother's Day
- May 13 *DYSA Soccer Sign Up @ RMG Lobby
 *PAWS Meeting 5:00
- May 14 Grade 4 to Schoodic
- May 13,14 Grade 6D to Edge Leadership Camp
- May 15,16 Grade 6M to Edge Leadership Camp
- May 16 Grade 5 to Gulf of Maine Research Institute
- May 17 Bikes for Books Presentation 1:00
- May 18 *RMG Curriculum Fair
 *Maine Educational Opportunity Center RMG Lobby
 *PAWS Sponsored "Fill the PAW" fundraiser
- May 21 JMG Closing Ceremony 5:00
- May 22 *JMG Workforce Development Grade 8 @ UMM
 *Edge Family Night
- May 23 *Grade 6 to Down East Institute Beals Island
 *Last Day of Edge
- May 24 *Grade 3 to Planetarium
 *Machias Drama Club School Performance 9:00 a.m.
- May 24,25 Machias Drama Club Play 5:00 MMHS Gym
- May 27 Memorial Day Parade 5-12 Band

See Back >