

**Minutes**  
**Machias School Committee**  
**Wednesday, November 6, 2024**  
**Machias Memorial High School**  
**Room 6**  
**4:00 PM**

**Attendance:** Teresa Saddler, Richard Shaw, Jennifer Weaver, Whitney Wood.

**Others Present:** Sue Dow, Nicole Case, Scott Porter.

**I.** Call to order at 4:00 p.m. by Teresa Saddler.

**II.** **Approval of the minutes of October 16, 2024.**

Motion by Richard Shaw to approve the minutes of October 16, 2024.  
Second: Whitney Wood; Vote: 4-0.

**III.** **Agenda Adjustments:** None.

**IV.** **Public Comment:** None.

**V.** **Principals' Reports:**

**RMG:** Enclosed.

**MMHS:** Enclosed.

**VI.** **New Business:**

**1. Community Connections Grant:**

The Machias Memorial High School Principal explained planned changes to the Community Connections Grant which will include enhanced school security technology on the Machias Campus.

**2. Review of Machias Memorial High School Graduation Credits:**

The Machias Memorial High School Principal distributed handouts which included current high school graduation credit requirements and new proposed requirements. The Principal recommended increasing from 22 to 24 credits to graduate from MMHS. The new requirements

would begin with the class of 2029.

Motion by Teresa Saddler to approve the new graduation requirements of 24 credits starting with the class of 2029.

Second: Whitney Wood; Vote: 4-0.

**3. MSMA Conference Report:**

The Superintendent informed the School Committee that he attended the Maine School Management Association Annual Conference on October 23-25, 2024. He was able to attend sessions that concerned a variety of important educational issues.

**4. MSSA Committee Report:**

The Superintendent informed the School Committee that he traveled to Maine School Management Association in Augusta on October 30, 2024 to attend a Maine School Superintendents Association Funding Committee meeting. The MSSA Funding Committee discussed the current school funding formula and changes that would improve the distribution of State subsidy.

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

Motion by Teresa Saddler to enter into Executive Session at 4:43 p.m.

Second: Whitney Wood; Vote: 4-0.

Declared out of Executive Session at 5:07 p.m. by Teresa Saddler.

**VII. Adjournment:**

Motion to adjourn at 5:07 p.m. by Richard Shaw.

Second: Jen Weaver; Vote: 4-0.

Respectfully Submitted,

Scott K. Porter  
Superintendent of Schools  
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