

**Maine Educational Center for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing
Governor Baxter School for the Deaf
School Board Meeting
Falmouth, Maine
June 2, 2016**

Board Present: Diane St. Lawrence (Chair), Joan Toy (Vice Chair), Michelle Ames, Don Miller, Fran Jacques, John Shattuck, Samantha Hebert, Debbie Camire, Frances Frost, Roxanne Baker

Board Excused: David Gaul, Jason White, Laurel Kelly, Taylor Gagnon

Administration: David Sherry, John Jones, Angie Bruno, Karen Hopkins, Traci Drake

I. CALL TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order at 5:08PM.

II. ANNOUNCEMENTS: Information was shared about a member of the Deaf community's participation in a national television show. It was suggested that a bill be proposed to the legislature about language access.

III. ADJUSTMENTS TO THE AGENDA: Joan Toy motioned to cancel agenda item ten. Debbie Camire seconded.

Vote: 10 in favor 0 opposed

IV. PUBLIC COMMENTS: none

V. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – May 5, 2016

Joan Toy motioned to approve the minutes of May 5, 2016 as amended. Debbie Camire seconded.

**Vote: 9 in favor 0 opposed 1 abstention
(Diane St. Lawrence)**

VI. APPROVAL OF 2016-2017 SCHOOL BOARD CALENDAR: Joan Toy motioned to approve the 2016-2017 School Board calendar as presented. Fran Jacques seconded.

Vote: 10 in favor 0 opposed

VII. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT: A few updates discussed:

- REAL School lease negotiations
- hearMEnow lease negotiations
- Possible lease with Disability Rights Maine
- Kindergarten through grade eight move to East End Community School

- Development Committee meeting

Other key points of the Executive Director's Report were covered. This report is enclosed and filed in the Executive Director's office.

DINNER/BREAK

VIII. FY17 BUDGET APPROVAL: Clarification was provided on remaining questions about the FY17 budget. Joan Toy motioned that the Board approve the proposed FY17 Operating Budget. Roxanne Baker seconded.

Vote: 11 in favor 0 opposed

IX. ELECTION OF BOARD OFFICERS FOR 2016-2017: Debbie Camire motioned to approve the nomination of Diane St. Lawrence as Chair and Joan Toy as Vice Chair. Fran Jacques seconded.

Vote: 8 in favor 0 opposed 2 abstentions (Diane St. Lawrence, Joan Toy)

X. COMMITTEE REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS:

- The Finance Committee met to discuss the budget.

XI. EXECUTIVE SESSION:

- Union Negotiations
Pursuant to 1 M.R.S.A. § 405 (6)(D)

Joan Toy motioned to enter into Executive Session to discuss Union Negotiations Pursuant to 1 M.R.S.A. § 405 (6)(D). Debbie Camire seconded.

Vote: 10 in favor 0 opposed

The Board entered into Executive Session at 6:59PM.

Public Session resumed at 7:35PM.

Roxanne Baker motioned to approve the proposed agreement between MECDHH and the Maine State Employees Association – SEIU Professional and Supervisory Units for the period of 2015-2017. Joan Toy seconded.

Vote: 10 in favor 0 opposed

Joan Toy motioned to approve the proposed agreement between MECDHH and the Maine State Employees Association – SEIU Support Services Unit for the period 2015-2017. Samantha Hebert seconded.

Vote: 10 in favor 0 opposed

XII. ADJOURNMENT: Don Miller motioned to adjourn the meeting at 7:40PM.
Fran Jacques seconded.

Vote: 10 in favor 0 opposed

The meeting was adjourned at 7:40PM.

Board Approved: June 23, 2016