

**Maine Educational Center for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing
Governor Baxter School for the Deaf
School Board Meeting Minutes
January 9, 2014**

Board Present: Diane St. Lawrence (Chair), Laurel Kelly, David Gaul, Roxanne Baker, Don Miller, Frances Frost

Board Excused: Lisa Penney, Joan Toy, Fran Jacques, Jason White

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

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

II. ANNOUNCEMENTS: none

III. ADJUSTMENTS TO THE AGENDA: none

IV. PUBLIC COMMENTS: none

V. REVIEW OF LEASE AGREEMENTS: The leases for Catholic Charities, the Friends School and REAL School were reviewed. The Friends School is committed to one more year as they are building a new school. When The Friends School leaves there are other possibilities for use of the vacant space such as: REAL School is asking for additional space, Portland Public Schools is inquiring about space, and a possible magnet school for performing arts.

VI. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – December 5, 2013

David Gaul motioned to approve the minutes of December 5, 2013. Don Miller seconded.

Vote: 6 in favor 0 opposed

VII. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT: Key points of the Executive Director's Report were covered. This report is enclosed and filed in the Executive Director's office.

VIII. SECOND READING OF ADJUSTMENTS TO THE BYLAWS: The most recent changes to the bylaws were reviewed. David Gaul moved to approve the bylaws as amended. Roxanne Baker seconded.

Vote: 6 in favor 0 opposed

IX. DEPARTMENT REVIEW: Early Childhood and Family Services: A review of programs and recent activities was given for the ECFS department.

