THE MAINE EDUCATIONAL CENTER FOR THE DEAF AND HARD OF HEARING

GOVERNOR BAXTER SCHOOL FOR THE DEAF

One Mackworth Island, Falmouth, ME 04105

Board of Directors Meeting November 7, 2024 Minutes

5:33pm I. Call to Order and Roll Call of Board Members – Tommy Minch, Chair

Roxanne Baker, Lisette Belanger, Jason Bubier, Beth Campbell, Barbara Millios, Tommy Minch, *Chair*, Anna Perna, *Vice Chair*, Mike Pulsifer, Liz Seal, Dawna Thorpe

Excused: Lisette Belanger, Sandra Wood

Also present: Dean Flanagin, Director of Operations; Lori Levesque, Director of HR; Susie Tiggs, Director of SEFS; Kimberly Matthews-Hermans, Assistant Director of SEFS; Kim Spencer, Executive Assistant, David Hillier, Information System Support Specialist; Grace Cooney, Interpreter; Margaret Haberman, Interpreter; Shana Kelley-Cohen, LCSW; Steve Bailey, Executive Director of MSBA

5:34pm II. Motion to Elect Lori Levesque as Executive Director Pro Tem for the November 7, 2024

Board Meeting

Liz motioned; Anna seconded 8 in favor. 0 opposed. 0 abstained

5:35pm III. Adjustments to the Agenda

Liz motioned; Jason seconded 8 in favor. 0 opposed. 0 abstained

5:37pm IV. Motion to Approve the October 3, 2024 Board Minutes

Approved with the following changes: Add Steve Connolly's name to the motion to approve a

new executive director

Dawna motioned; Beth seconded 8 in favor. 0 opposed. 0 abstained

5:40pm V. **Public Comments - None.**

5:40pm VI. Executive Director's Report Lori Levesque, Executive Director Pro Tem

5:52pm VII. Introduction of Shana Kelley-Cohen, School Social Worker of the Year Susie Tiggs,

Director of SEFS and Kimberly Matthews-Hermans, Assistant Director of SEFS

6:02pmVIII. Facilities Updates Dean Flanagin, Director of Operations

6:14pm IX. Committee Reports

New Business

6:26pm X. Staff Nomination - Kimberly Leong

Liz motioned; Anna seconded

9 in favor (Roxanne arrived at 5:50pm). 0 opposed. 0 abstained

6:27pm XI. Motion to Hire MSMA to do a MECDHH/GBSD Policy Manual Review

Liz motioned; Barbara seconded 9 in favor. 0 opposed. 0 abstained

6:28pm XII. Roles & Responsibilities and Connection with Statutes - Steve Bailey, Executive Director,

Maine School Boards Association

7:16pm XIII. Announcements - None.



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Adjourned until Thursday, December 5, 2024 at 5:30." Liz motioned; Roxanne seconded 7:17pm XIV.

9 in favor. 0 opposed. 0 abstained