



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 September 5, 2024 Minutes

- 5:49pm I. **Call to Order and Roll Call of Board Members – Tommy Minch, Chair**
Present: Roxanne Baker, Lisette Belanger, Jason Bubier, Beth Campbell, Barbara Millios, Tommy Minch, *Chair*, Anna Perna, *Vice Chair*, Mike Pulsifer, Liz Seal, Dawna Thorpe, Sandra Wood
Also present: Steve Connolly, Superintendent Consultant; Lori Levesque, HR Director, Dean Flanagin, Director of Operations, Kim Spencer, Executive Assistant; Grace Cooney, Interpreter; Evah Hellewell, Interpreter; David Hillier, Information Systems Specialist
- 5:50pm II. **Adjustments to the Agenda**
Lisette **motioned**; Roxanne **seconded**. *The agenda was unanimously approved.*
- 5:51pm III. **Motion to Approve the August 1, 2024 Board Minutes**
Roxanne **motioned**; Sandra **seconded**. *The minutes were unanimously approved.*
- 5:52pm IV. **Public Comments**
There were no public comments.
- 5:53pm V. **Facilities and Budget Updates** Dean Flanagin, *Director of Operations*
- 6:27pm VI. **Committee Reports**
- Policy - *Mike reporting, nothing to report.*
 - Strategic Planning - *Roxanne reporting, nothing to report.*
 - Human Resources - *Tommy reporting, nothing to report*
 - Finance - *Tommy reporting, nothing to report*
 - Facilities - *Liz reporting, nothing to report*
 - Board Development - *Anna reporting, nothing to report*
 - Member Recruitment & Retention - *Anna reporting, nothing to report*
 - Legislative Action - *Roxanne reporting, nothing to report*
 - Bylaws - *Tommy reporting, nothing to report*
- New Business**
- 6:48pm VII. **Strategic Plan Review**
The board determined that the strategic plan will be reviewed by the Strategic Planning Committee before being brought to the board.
- 6:51pm VIII. **Review and Approval of Crisis Response Plan**
The board determined that the Crisis Response Plan will be reviewed by the CORE team before being brought to the board for approval.
- 6:57pm IX. **Recommendation to Attend MSBA Conference**
The board determined that Roxanne Baker will be attending the MSBA Conference - one day only, on October 24. Steve will be there as well, representing Sebago Schools.
- 7:21pm X. **Board Development**
The board determined that it needs to work as a group on areas such as communication, team-building, and board responsibilities. The development committee will discuss ways to incorporate these into a future meeting.
- 7:30pm XI. **Executive Session**
- Employment of officials/appointees/employees, pursuant to Article 1 M.R.S.A. §405 (6)(A).
Mike **motioned**; Lisette **seconded**.



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8:29pm XII. **Announcements**

Jason shared that there was a recent "New York Times" article about Camp Dirigo and what it has done for Liz and her family and others affected by the Lewiston shooting.

8:31pm XIII. **Adjournment**

Lisette **motioned**; Sandra **seconded**. *The meeting was officially adjourned at 8:31pm.*

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