

**MOOSABEC COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT
SCHOOL COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES**

Jonesport, Maine
April 10, 2024

PLEASE NOTE THAT THE MINUTES ARE NOT FINAL UNTIL APPROVED AT THE NEXT MEETING.

A meeting of the Moosabec CSD School Committee was held at Jonesport-Beals High School on April 10, 2024, with members present as follows: Mariner Bunker, Adam Merchant, Bethanie Beal (5:21 p.m.), Morgan Monroe (5:03 p.m.), Renee Chandler, Kelton Beal (5:03 p.m.), Marie Johnson, Rebecca Stanwood, and Ruth Fenton. Also present were members of the public, Principal Joseph Swain, and Superintendent of Schools Lewis Collins.

1. Call to Order and Pledge

The Chair called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

2. Approval of the Minutes of March 13, 2024

The School Committee voted (5-0-0) to approve the minutes of March 13, 2024.

3. Public Comment

None.

4. Continuing Contract Teachers – Recommendation for Continued Employment

The Superintendent recommended the continued employment of the following teachers for the 2024-2025 year: Anthony Beal Jr. – Social Sciences; Randy Hunter – Mathematics; Morgan Look – Art and Career Exploration; RebeccaLee Coffin – English/Language Arts; Robin Monini – Aquaculture.

The School Committee voted (8-0-0) to accept the recommendation.

5. Two-Year Continuing Contract

No action.

6. 2024-2025 Hourly Support Staff – Recommendation for Continued Employment

Susan Alley – Custodian (40 hrs per week for 52 wks; Bus Driver 15 hrs per week for 36 weeks)

William Alley – Bus Driver (15 hrs per week for 36 weeks)

Michael Kelley – Bus Driver (up to 25 hrs per week for 36 weeks)

Misty Kelley – Principal Secretary (40 hrs per week for 43 weeks)

Tracy Ingersoll – Guidance Secretary (30 hrs per week for 43 weeks)

The School Committee voted (8-0-0) to accept the recommendation.

7. 2024-2025 Athletic Director

The Superintendent recommended Daniel Campbell as athletic director for the 2024-2025 year.

The School Committee voted (8-0-0) to accept the recommendation.

8. Track and Field Coach and Program

Dan Campbell gave a presentation about the track and field program for which five students have chosen to participate. He explained the costs associated with the program including an annual fee to the regional association. We will not be hosting any meets. Each meet will cost between \$350-\$600 and there are five regular season meets. Uniforms are \$458. Equipment will cost \$2,000 (javelins, hurdles, starting block, measuring wheel). Superintendent Collins said the school will absorb this nearly \$6,000 of startup costs through unexpended budget funds and, if needed, will ask the Board to transfer funds from one cost center to cover the overage in extra-curricular.

The Superintendent recommended Jason Mills for the position of track and field coach for the 2023-2024 year.

The School Committee voted (9-0-0) to approve the recommendation.

9. Fuel Bids

The School Committee reviewed the following two fuel bids that were received:

R.H. Foster Energy/Foster Holdings Inc.	\$2.939
Dead River Co.	\$3.1599

The School Committee voted (9-0-0) to accept the bid submitted by R.H. Foster Energy/Foster Holding Inc. in the amount of \$2.939.

10. Set Date for Budget Meeting

The School Committee voted (9-0-0) to set the district budget meeting for May 8th at 5:00 p.m.

11. Grants Policy

First reading of policy DD – Grants.

12. Principal's Report

See attached.

13. Miscellaneous

A. Director of Special Education

The Superintendent recommended Kathryn Beal for the position of Director of Special Education beginning July 1, 2024, with an annual salary of \$75,000 split equally three ways between Beals, Jonesport and Moosabec CSD.

The School Committee voted (9-0-0) to approve the recommendation.

13. Miscellaneous, Continued

B. Teacher Nomination

The Superintendent nominated Crystal Blackwood for a first-year probationary contract as special education teacher for the 2024-2025 year.

The School Committee voted (9-0-0) to approve the nomination.

C. Resignation

A letter was read from Arthur Brown stating he would be retiring from his position of custodian effective June 28, 2024.

The School Committee voted (9-0-0) to accept the resignation with regret.

D. Complaint

Marie Johnson read a letter from a parent with issues about hazing, harassment and bullying of some children by other older students.

The School Committee voted (9-0-0) to enter executive session at 5:48 p.m. to discuss a student issue.

The School Committee returned to regular session at 6:02 p.m.

14. Adjournment

The School Committee adjourned at 6:02 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Lewis Collins
Superintendent of Schools