

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

Jonesport, Maine
April 25, 2023

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 25, 2023 with members present as follows: Mariner Bunker, Adam Merchant, Bethanie Beal (by phone), Morgan Monroe, Renee Chandler, Marie Johnson, Nick Faulkingham and Rebecca Stanwood. Also present were members of the public and Superintendent of Schools Lewis Collins.

1. Call to Order and Pledge

The Chairman called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m.

2. Public Comment

A community member stated the School Committee should try to make the budget easier on the taxpayers.

3. Budget Worksession

It was the consensus of the School Committee to support Option B with the following amendments:

- Add Math/English position that is in Option A.
- NOTE: Gym Floor Refinish is NOT included in Option B and consensus does NOT want it included.
- Add Tractor but only up to \$30,000.
- NOTE: Alternative Ed is included and should remain but only if noted that it is an industrial arts position specifically.

Discussion included: Mrs. Monroe reviewed her research on Alternative Ed. She stated that the middle school teachers are opposed to the program and had very good reasons to not support it but that those concerns were never mentioned in the notes of the meetings.

Mrs. Chandler stated that we would not need alternative education if special education was doing screening properly and that the Superintendent knew exactly what she was talking about.

- NOTE: Sports Field revitalization is NOT included in Option B and consensus does NOT want it included.
- Remove Gifted and Talented entirely.
- General Explanation for Alt Ed Supplies should be specific to “Building Materials” only. NO reference to lumber or boat building.

4. Miscellaneous

A. Executive Session

The School Committee voted (8-0-0) to enter executive session to discuss a personnel matter.

The School Committee returned to regular session at 6:08 p.m.

4. Miscellaneous, Continued

B. Other

- The School Committee would like to add the policy of Community Input at Board meetings for a first reading at the June meeting.
- The School Committee would like to research having Narcan available at the school.
- Why did art supply requisitions increase by \$2,600?

5. Adjournment

The School Committee adjourned at 6:17 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Lewis Collins
Superintendent of Schools