

MINUTES

RSU #26 Board of Directors Meeting
Orono Town Council Chambers
Tuesday, October 16, 2018, at 6:00 p.m.

- x Brian McGill, chairperson
- x Jacob Eckert, vice-chair
- x Mark Brewer
- x Erin Ellis
- x Geoff Wingard
- Katie King, Student Advisor
- Eli McGill, Student Advisor
- Ross Cobo-Lewis, Student Advisor Alternate

1. Opening

- a. Call to Order

Brian McGill called the meeting to order at 6:00pm

- b. Pledge of Allegiance

- c. Agenda Adjustments Move Item 6(a) to Item 5, before Action Items

- i. Add Item 6(b), Proposed warrant article for PDT contract
- ii. Add Item 7, Superintendent's Report
- iii. Add Item 6(c), Co-curricular Nominations

Motion: *Brian McGill moved to approve the changes to the agenda, Erin Ellis seconded. Vote 5-0*

2. Consideration of the Minutes

- a. October 2, 2018

Motion: *Brian McGill moved to approve the minutes as presented, Erin Ellis seconded. Vote 5-0*

3. Approval of Warrants

- a. Warrant – 7

Motion: *Brian McGill moved to approve the Warrants, Erin Ellis seconded. Vote 5-0*

4. Public Comment – none

5. Presentations

- a. Facilities Study Preliminary Results Presented by PDT Architects-- Allen Kuniholm, Lyndon Keck, & Kathy Kahill

- i. Asa Adams School

- 1. Lots of time interview staff and analyzing all of the spaces in the school
- 2. Asa is old- buildings are traditionally designed with 40 year life span
- 3. Security is an issue
- 4. Electrical and power is an issue
- 5. New Spaces Needed
 - a. Cafeteria
 - b. specialty classrooms
 - c. rooms for administration and specialists
 - d. storage space
- 6. 10 year enrollment projection- 313
 - a. Currently there are 25 teaching stations- 4 more needed with projected enrollment

- ii. Middle/High School- built in 1938
 - 1. OMS is a “closed building” -- walls can’t move, and it is hard to make changes
 - 2. Too many doors to the outside- security concern
 - a. Primary need to address code and safety issues
- iii. Bulleted Recommendations
 - 1. Safety - serious items
 - 2. Apply for revolving renovation monies
 - 3. Major capital improvement application (OMS building is 80 years old)
 - 4. Phased improvement process over 3 years bus drop off/parking/etc.
 - 5. Arts education construction -needed and frees up other space
 - 6. Athletic fields
 - 7. New cafeterias and kitchens-undersized and frees up space
- iv. Meeting with community on November 13- OMS Gym
 - 1. Promote the meeting
 - a. Announce on website, Flyers, Facebook, Newspaper, Poster at election

6. Action Items

- a. Proposed Meeting Dates
 - i. Late October Business Meeting
 - 1. Tuesday, October 30 at 6:00
 - 2. Town council chambers
 - ii. November Facilities Board Workshop
 - 1. Wednesday, November 14 at 7:00
 - 2. Town council chambers
 - iii. Co-curricular Recommendation
 - 1. Jayne Bowler nominated OMS Drama Assistant Director

Motion: Brian McGill moved to approve Jayne Bowler as the OMS Drama assistant, Erin Ellis seconded the motion. Vote: 5-0

7. Superintendent’s Report- Meredith Higgins

- a. Superintendent Higgins was contacted regarding a proposal to install a pump track (off road cycling track) on town property adjacent to the hockey rink.
 - i. Outside group would cover costs of construction and maintenance
 - ii. The pump track could augment the physical education program.
 - iii. There is a need to create access to the pump track that is not disruptive to school grounds and school activities.
 - iv. Mark Brewer thinks that there will be more users of the pump track than use the rink, therefore there are parking and safety concerns. Also, there is no access to the track without cutting through school or private property.
 - v. Erin Ellis suggested that parking may be an issue. Perhaps a trail should be incorporated into the plan to discourage people riding across the soccer field.
 - vi. Brian McGill thinks the town needs to be proactive and that the track should not be used during school hours
- b. School Tours for the Community
 - i. Should tours of the schools be available around the November 13th community forum date?
 - 1. Show community points of concern in the schools
 - 2. Idea- Produce a video of walk through

8. **Public Comment**- none

9. **Date, Time, and Location of Next Meeting**

- a. Tuesday, October 30, 2018 at 6:00
- b. Tuesday, November 13, 2018 - Facilities Study Public Forum at the Orono Middle School Gym at 6 p.m.
- c. Wednesday, November 14, 2018 at 7:00

10. **Request for Information and Follow-up**- none

11. **Adjournment**

Motion: Brian McGill moved to *adjourn the meeting* at 8:12, Erin Ellis seconded the motion. Vote: 5-0

Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,
Raechelle Edmiston-Cyr
Central Office Administrative Assistant