

Approved Minutes
RSU 26 Board of Directors Meeting
Zoom Meeting
Tuesday, December 1, 2020, 6:00 pm

1. Opening

- a. Call to Order

Brian McGill called the meeting to order at 6:02

- b. Pledge of Allegiance
c. Agenda Adjustment

2. Consideration of the Minutes

- a. November 10

*Motion: Brian McGill moved to **approve the November 10, 2020 minutes as presented**, Erin Ellis seconded*

Vote: Erin Ellis- aye

Mark Brewer- aye

Jacob Eckert- aye

Brian McGill- aye

Leo Kenney- aye

Vote 5-0

- b. November 17

*Motion: Brian McGill moved to **approve the August 18, 2020 minutes as presented**, Erin Ellis seconded*

Vote: Erin Ellis- aye

Mark Brewer- aye

Jacob Eckert- aye

Brian McGill- aye

Leo Kenney- aye

Vote 5-0

3. Approval of Warrants- none

4. Public Comment

- a. Patrick Rowe, parent, urges the Board to consider more stringent prevention protocols to keep in-person learning going as long as possible.

5. Acknowledgments- none

6. Discussion Items

- a. COVID Update & Discussion

- i. Cases are rising in Penobscot County, and Supt Higgins is concerned about a change in State issued color rating.
1. Administration is assessing the spacing in classrooms to see which grades might be able to stay in person learning even if Penobscot County is designated “yellow” by the State.
 2. The Board encourages the administration to think of creative solutions to ensure equity in learning across all grade levels

- b. Winter Sports Discussion

- i. State and MPA have released guidelines for winter sports
1. Sports are assigned categories based on perceived contagion risk, and categories have different mask and distancing requirements
- ii. RSU 26 has ordered masks so that players can use multiple masks over the course of the game.
- iii. No facilities available for indoor track
1. Encouraging students who doubt that the season will occur they are being encouraged to pursue other sports

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7. Action Items

a. Winter Sports Approval

Motion: Mark Brewer moved to proceed with Winter sports in RSU 26 as recommended in the Maine State “Return to Competitive Athletics” guidelines, with the caveat that the cooperative sports require more discussion with Old Town, Leo Kenney seconded

Vote: Erin Ellis- aye

Mark Brewer- aye

Jacob Eckert- aye

Brian McGill- aye

Leo Kenney- aye

Vote 5-0

b. Staff Nominations

i. Co/Extra-curricular Recommendations

Motion: Brian McGill moved to approve the slate of extracurricular recommendations as presented, Erin Ellis seconded

Vote: Erin Ellis- aye

Mark Brewer- aye

Jacob Eckert- aye

Brian McGill- aye

Leo Kenney- aye

Vote 5-0

8. Other Business-

- a. Mark Brewer is looking forward to seeing how the district intends to address learning equity across grade levels at the December 8 meeting

9. Future Agenda Items-

10. Public Comment-

11. Date, Time, and Location of Next Meeting

- a. Tuesday, December 8, 2020, Board Meeting, 6:00 pm

12. Request for Information and Follow-up

- a. Mark Brewer would like an update on the availability of facilities that RSU 26 doesn't have
- i. Mike Archer followed up that the University of Maine is not renting any facilities in the foreseeable future. Arrangements have been made with Sawyer Arena for morning practices and games.

Old Town owns a pool that will be used for swim practices

- b. Brian McGill asked about spectators at winter games
- i. Mike Archer reported that there are no spectators allowed at games, arrangements are being made for the games to be streamed over the internet for people to watch.

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13. Adjournment

*Motion: Brian McGill moved to **adjourn the meeting**, Erin Ellis seconded*

***Vote:** Erin Ellis- aye*

Brian McGill- aye

Jacob Eckert- aye

Vote 5-0

Leo Kenney- aye

Mark Brewer- aye

Meeting adjourned at 7:06