

Minutes
OMS/OHS Library
Remote access for public participation through Zoom Link
August 22, 2023, 6:00 pm

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| × Brian McGill | × Kevin Roberge |
| × Jake Eckert | × Marissa McLaughlin |
| × Mark Brewer | × Dorsa Tajvidi |
| × Noah Charney | |

1. Opening

- a. Call to Order

Motion: *Brian McGill called the meeting to order*

- b. Pledge of Allegiance
c. Agenda Adjustments

- i. Add 8.c - Approve Computation and Declaration of Votes - Budget Referendum

Motion: *Brian McGill moved to add item 8.c Approve Computation and Declaration of Votes and remove item 8.b.ii Central Office Project Bid Approval. Mark Brewer seconded.*

Vote: Noah Charney- aye	Mark Brewer- aye
Kevin Roberge- aye	Brian McGill- aye
Jacob Eckert- aye	Vote 5-0

2. Consideration of the Minutes

- a. August 9, 2023

Motion: *Brian McGill moved to approve the August 9, 2023 minutes as presented. Mark Brewer seconded.*

Vote: Noah Charney- aye	Brian McGill- aye
Kevin Roberge- abstain	Vote 4-0-1
Jacob Eckert- aye	

Mark Brewer- aye

3. Approval of Warrants

- a. Warrant- 26D, 3
b. Payroll- 3
c. ME PERS- July

Motion: *Brian McGill moved to approve the slate of warrants as presented. Mark Brewer seconded.*

Vote: Noah Charney- aye	Mark Brewer- aye
Kevin Roberge- aye	Brian McGill- aye
Jacob Eckert- aye	Vote 5-0

4. Public Comment

- a. Marsha Bean, Orono resident, asked for clarification of the “miscellaneous” line on the June school budget referendum.

5. Acknowledgments

- a. Jacob Eckert thanks the staff that have already returned to campus.
b. Brian McGill acknowledged the teachers who will be returning to their classrooms on August 28.
c. Meredith Higgins reported that it is exciting to see students returning to campus.
d. Donors Choose donated \$333 to fund OHS’s “SEL Through Teamwork and Art” summer project.
e. Marissa McLaughlin acknowledged the students who are busily finishing up AP summer assignments.

6. Reports

a. Director Reports

i. Lisa Smith, Special Services Director

1. Safety care training will be held during the week of August 28 for new staff.
2. Ed tech training is occurring during New Staff Orientation.

ii. Susan Smith, Director of Learning

1. In July, the Maine DOE informed RSU 26 that we would be receiving an additional \$3,660 in Title IA funding. These funds will be applied to supplies and staffing for Summer STARS at Asa during the summer of 2024.
2. The Administrative team has developed a document outlining district-wide committees and workgroups. This document will act as a reference guide for people seeking information about work across the district.

b. Student Representatives Reports

i. Marissa McLaughlin and Dorsa Tajvidi

1. Student ambassadors will be meeting to plan a welcoming Freshman Day at OHS.
2. Marissa and Dorsa attended the NSBMA START Conference for student school board members.

c. Superintendent Report

i. Meredith Higgins, Superintendent

1. Staff will be returning on Monday, August 28, with a full slate of activities, including work in DEI and the Strategic Plan.
2. Twenty-five employees will be attending New Employee Orientation on August 23.
3. RSU 26 has begun working with the Sandy Hook Promise organization to develop an anonymous reporting system and framework for a more welcoming school environment, as well as how to recognize threats. Implementation will begin in late January.

7. Discussion Items

a. Class sizes

- i. Superintendent Higgins provided a document to the Board outlining class sizes in the three RSU 26 schools and presented it.

8. Action Items

a. Staff Nominations

i. Co-Curricular Nominations

Motion: Brian McGill moved to approve the slate of co-curricular nominations as presented. Mark Brewer seconded.

Vote: Noah Charney- aye

Mark Brewer- aye

Kevin Roberge- aye

Brian McGill- aye

Jacob Eckert- aye

Vote 5-0

12. Public Comment

13. Date, Time, and Location of Next Meeting

a. September 5, 2023, 6:00, OHS/OMS Library

14. Request for Information and Follow-up

15. Adjournment

Motion: *Brian McGill moved to adjourn the meeting.* *Mark Brewer seconded.*

Vote: Noah Charney- aye

Mark Brewer- aye

Kevin Roberge- aye

Brian McGill- aye

Jacob Eckert- aye

Vote 5-0

Meeting adjourned.