

**Approved Minutes**  
**OMS/OHS Library**  
**Remote access for public participation through Zoom Link**  
**October 24, 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
  - b. Pledge of Allegiance
  - c. Agenda Adjustments

2. Consideration of the Minutes
  - a. September 19, 2023

**Motion:** *Brian McGill moved to approve the September 19, 2023 minutes as presented. Mark Brewer seconded.*  
**Vote 5-0**

- b. September 19, 2023 Data Workshop

**Motion:** *Brian McGill moved to approve the September 19, 2023 Data Workshop minutes as presented. Mark Brewer seconded.* **Vote 5-0**

- c. October 10, 2023

**Motion:** *Brian McGill moved to approve the October 10, 2023 minutes as presented. Mark Brewer seconded.*  
**Vote 5-0**

3. Approval of Warrants
  - a. Warrant- 8
  - b. Payroll- 8
  - c. Maine PERS- September 2023
  - d. BAN- 44

**Motion:** *Brian McGill moved to approve the slate of warrants as presented. Mark Brewer seconded.* **Vote 5-0**

4. Public Comment

5. Acknowledgments

- a. Noah Charney thanks everyone for their outreach and efforts put into trying to engage the RSU 26 community.
- b. Marissa McLaughlin thanked Jim Bulteel for taking a group of seniors for a tour of the University of Maine Honors College.
- c. Meredith Higgins congratulated the OHS Girls Cross Country team for being the 2023 Penobscot Valley Conference Champions. OHS Boys were runner-up.

6. Reports

- a. Director Reports

- i. Lisa Smith, Director of Special Services
  1. Ms. Smith presented the numbers of students receiving special services from the October state report.
  2. 27% of the student body is enrolled in special education.
- ii. Susan Smith, Director of Learning
  1. Spring 2023 NWEA reports are back and will soon be distributed to families. The Fall 2023 assessment window will close on October 27 and reports will be available shortly thereafter.
  2. The Curriculum Committee reviewed stakeholder feedback on the Math and Technology curriculum maps and shared ideas on next steps to take before sharing the findings with the Board at the November 14 meeting.

- b. Student Board Representative Reports
  - i. Mariassa McLaughlin and Dorsa Tajvidi, OHS Students
    - 1. The JMG program is holding a personal care drive and donated items are being collected in the OHS lobby.
    - 2. The first OHS Parent Advisory Group meeting will be held on Thursday, October 26. All parents are encouraged to attend.
    - 3. Students have asked what they need to do to establish a volley ball co-op team with other schools in the area.
- c. Superintendent Report
  - i. Meredith Higgins, Superintendent
    - 1. RSU 26 Student & Staff Well-Being Work Group
      - a. Superintendent Higgins is asking for Board members who are interested in joining the Well-Being Work Group.
        - i. Kevin Roberge and Brian McGill volunteered to serve on the group.
    - 2. Student Board Rep Presentation Follow-Up
      - a. In response to the presentation by the student Board representatives, Ms. Higgins plans to meet with the representatives on a monthly basis. The student Board members and superintendent will work together to create a student Board handbook.
    - 3. The district held an evacuation drill on October 24, 2023. The drill proceeded smoothly, but ways to make the process more efficient will be considered for the future.
    - 4. Congratulations to Asa Principal Kerri Wyman for or being highlighted by MPA in the Maine Positive Principal stories program.
    - 5. Thanks to the administrative assistants and Lynn Gray for their hard work in getting the State reporting completed. RSU 26 has strong enrollment numbers for the 2023-2024 school year. The “economically disadvantaged” number for the district is higher, and will help with subsidy funding.

- 7. Discussion Items
  - a. none

- 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 5-0***

- b. OHS International Trip to Spain April 2024
  - i. Angela Slate presented the itinerary for a proposed OHS trip to Spain.

***Motion: Brian McGill moved to authorize the OHS trip to Spain as presented. Mark Brewer seconded. Vote 5-0***

- c. Policies
  - i. Revisions
    - 1. JKAA & JKAA-R - Restraint & Seclusion Policy & Procedures

***Motion: Brian McGill moved to approve the revisions to policy JKAA and JKAA-R- Restraint & Seclusion Policy & Procedures. Mark Brewer seconded. Vote 5-0***

- 9. Subcommittee Reports
  - a. Policy Subcommittee
    - i. Next meeting will be held November 2, 2023.
  - b. United Technology Center
    - i. Next meeting will be held the week of October 30.
  - c. SPRPCE

- i. The first meeting of the school year updated committee members on the SPRPCE program. There are currently 58 students in the Bangor Regional program as well as 2 students in the Students with Multiple Disabilities Program. There is currently no waiting list for the program.
- d. Curriculum Subcommittee
  - i. There will be no November meeting.
- e. Facilities/Building Committee
  - i. The Asa project is nearing completion, and the Central Office project has completed demolition work.
- f. Wellness Committee
  - i. The next meeting will be October 26.
- g. DEI Leadership Team
  - i. Student and parent surveys will be distributed soon.
- h. Strategic Plan Team
  - i. Data from surveys conducted was discussed and a draft “vision of a student” was started.

10. Other Business

11. Future Agenda Items

12. Public Comment

13. Date, Time, and Location of Next Meeting

- a. November 14, 2023, 6:00, OHS/OMS Library

14. Request for Information and Follow-up

15. Executive Session - 1 M.R.S.A. §405(6)(D) Labor Negotiations

***Motion: Brian McGill moved to go into executive session under 1 MRSA 405 6(d) Discussion of Labor Negotiations. Mark Brewer seconded. Vote 5-0***

16. Adjournment

***Motion: Brian McGill moved to adjourn the meeting. Mark Brewer seconded. Vote 5-0***

*Meeting adjourned.*

*Approved November 14, 2023*