

NORTHERN PENOBSCOT TECH REGION III

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NORTHERN PENOBSCOT TECH REGION III COOPERATIVE BOARD MEETING Thursday, October 22, 2020

MINUTES

- A. Chairperson Saba called the meeting to order at 6:30p.m.
Pledge of Allegiance

Members Present: Wayne Danforth, Mike Jewers, Rowena Clukey, Diana Lambert, Dianne Buck, Mary Plourde, Kevin Gregory, Mary Tompkins, Patsy Saba
Present via ZOOM: Warren Steward, Priscilla Clark, Loree Libby, Hilary Emery

Members Absent Excused: Ryan Whitehouse, Richard Angotti, Mary Lindahl, Jasmine Folster

Members Absent Unexcused:

- B. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** Mr. Jewers moved and Mrs. Plourde seconded approving the minutes of the September 23, 2020 Cooperative Board Meeting.
DISCUSSION: NONE

VOTE: Unanimous

- C. **AUDIENCES & COMMUNICATIONS:** NONE

- D. **AGENDA ADJUSTMENTS:** NONE

- E. **REPORTS OF COMMITTEES:**

Finance Committee: The committee met on October 22, 2020. **The Accounts Payable Warrant** and bills were reviewed and signed for Region III totaling **\$111,656.82**. Larger items (\$2,000.00 or more): Anthem BCBS, Bangor Savings Bank, Computers to Go, Lowes, Maine Paper \$ Janitorial Products, NOCTI, Northcenter, S.W. Collins, School Nutrition Program, TD Bank, United Training Center, US Bank Equipment Finance, Versant Power. Also reviewed and signed were **Payroll Warrants** for **09/29/2020** in the amount of **\$56,340.12** and for **10/13/2020** in the amount of **\$49,757.78**. A **Student Activity Warrant** in the amount of **\$1,002.90** was reviewed and signed. A **School Nutrition Warrant** in the amount of **\$4,014.61** was reviewed and signed.

Program Review: Mrs. Saba reported that the Program Review Committee met to discuss Item #1 on the Agenda tonight.

- F. **Old Business:** NONE

G. New Business

- 1. Discussion and Possible Action to approve the Program Review Committee and Director recommendation to establish a Business program at NPT Region III for the 2021-2022 school year.** *(Error in the original Agenda the school year was listed as 2020-2021, error was corrected before voting.*

Mr. Jewers moved and Mr. Gregory seconded approving the Program Review Committee and Director recommendation to establish a Business program at NPT Region III for the 2021-2022 school year.

DISCUSSION: Mr. Ring presented a power point presentation outlining the Business program plan. The funding, length of program and marketing strategies were all discussed.

VOTE: Unanimous

- 2. Discussion and Possible Action to approve the 2020 MSBA Proposed Resolutions as presented.**

Mrs. Lambert moved and Mrs. Plourde seconded approving the 2020 MSBA Proposed Resolutions as presented.

DISCUSSION: (Each resolution was discussed individually.)

VOTE: Unanimous

H. Report of the Director:

Mr. Ring informed the board that items purchased with CRF money have been approved and the first check has been received.

The Perkins Grant that had been submitted has been approved.

The new digital signs have all been programed and are displaying pictures and Information for students and visitors.

H1. Report of Student Services Coordinator

I continue to work with Instructors to deal with absentee issues to minimize this issue and to help keep our remote learners engaged. Luckily, we now have only four remote students. Remote learning, and teaching, is very difficult for young people because it requires so much self-discipline and a lot of prep for teachers. I am getting more students coming in to meet regarding their college applications and their FAFSAs. I'm also making zoom and personal appointments for college and industry reps to present to our students. We're registering students for concurrent coursework and we'll start working on more of these agreements so that our students can get more free college credits. Our Marketing Team has started working on revising our program brochures and will make them uniform. Curt approved the Safety Committee's recommendation to buy a new digitized/lighted communications system to install in our shop/other spaces so that announcements can be heard everywhere. These units will be installed in the dining area, EMT space, Carpentry shop, Automotive shop, Welding shop, and the back garage spaces.

I. ANNOUNCEMENTS: Announcements were read.

J. ADJOURNMENT: Mr. Jewers moved and Mrs. Plourde seconded the motion to adjourn.

VOTE: Unanimous

Adjournment at: 7:38 pm