

NORTHERN PENOBSCOT TECH REGION III

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NORTHERN PENOBSCOT TECH REGION III COOPERATIVE BOARD MEETING Wednesday, January 31, 2024

MINUTES

- A. Chairperson Patsy Saba called the meeting to order at 6:31 p.m.
Pledge of Allegiance

Members Present: Patsy Saba, Kevin Libby, Kevin Gregory, Warren Steward, Diana Lambert, Crystal Willette, Jasmine Folster, Loree Libby, Dianne Buck, Patricia Nobel, Donald Raymond, Loree Libby, Julie Hewke (*present but abstained from voting until paperwork is returned*)

Members Absent Excused: Ryan Whitehouse, Nancy Burgoyne, Wayne Danforth
Members Absent Unexcused:

- B. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** Mr. Steward moved and Mr. Libby seconded approving the minutes of the January 4, 2024 Cooperative Board Meeting.

DISCUSSION: NONE

VOTE: Unanimous

C. **AUDIENCES & COMMUNICATIONS:**

D. **AGENDA ADJUSTMENTS:** NONE

E. **REPORTS OF COMMITTEES:**

Finance Committee: The Finance Committee met on January 31, 2024. **The Accounts Payable Warrant** and bills were reviewed and signed for Region III totaling **\$129,380.22**. Larger items (\$2,000.00 or more): Anthem BCBS, Bangor Savings Bank, Dead River, Foresight Engineering, Motorbrain, NAPA, School Nutrition Program, Versant Power, Also reviewed and signed were **Payroll Warrants** for **01/02/2024** in the amount of **\$49,041.83** and for **01/16/2024** in the amount of **\$52,088.92** and for **01/30/2024** in the amount of **\$52,900.19**. A **Student Activity Warrant** in the amount of **\$8,929.36** was reviewed and signed. A **School Nutrition Warrant** in the amount of **\$7,114.17** was reviewed and signed.

Negotiations/Personnel Committee: Don Raymond reported that the committee had met concerning one personnel matter, with no resolution at this time.

F. Old Business: NONE

G. New Business

1. **Boardsmanship presentation by Dan Stockford of Brann & Isaacson**
2. **Discussion and Possible Action to approve the revised NPT Region III Emergency Plan.**
Mr. Steward moved and Mr. Raymond seconded approving the revised NPT Region III Emergency plan.
DISCUSSION: NONE **VOTE:** UNANIMOUS

H. Report of the Director:

1. Mrs. McFalls, Mr. Benoit and I have begun the Behavioral Threat Assessment training provided by the DOE. Phase One of the training is online, and it is very user friendly and informative. I am already learning a lot about how to do threat assessments in our school. Phase Two of the training will be via Zoom with representatives from the DOE. That will take place following the successful completion of Phase One.
2. 2024 SkillsUSA preparations are underway. Region III will have our SkillsUSA Week activities during the week of January 29-February 2. Programs will compete against each other in several events. The coin drive is always a lot of fun and is a great SkillsUSA fundraiser. Last year, the coin drive competition raised \$714 toward SkillsUSA expenses in Bangor.

We are also gearing up for the state competition in Bangor. This year, the state conference will take place on March 15, 2024. It looks like we will bring approximately 30 students to Bangor to compete against schools from all over Maine for a chance for a medal and possibly an opportunity to go to Atlanta, Georgia for the national competition this summer.

3. I have submitted a draft calendar to the regional superintendents for the 2024-2025 school year. We will meet soon to finalize the calendar for state approval in the spring.
4. Work is nearly completed for the comprehensive school review that will take place in March. Program self-studies, school standards questionnaires and all supporting documents will be turned into me for a final check no later than February 12, and I will be sending electronic copies of all documents to the DOE by February 23. After that, the review will happen on March 27-29, 2024.
5. Hopefully, I will be hearing back from the DOE very soon about our subsidy for FY '25.

H1. Report of the Dean of Students

NONE

I. ANNOUNCEMENTS: Announcements were read.

J. ADJOURNMENT: Mrs. Lambert moved and Mr. Raymond seconded the motion to adjourn.

DISCUSSION: NONE

VOTE: Unanimous

Adjournment at: 7:19 pm