

**S.A.D. #44 BOARD OF DIRECTORS  
MONDAY, JULY 14, 2008  
7:00 PM – TELSTAR LIBRARY  
MINUTES**

**I CALL TO ORDER:**

Directors Absent: Ms. Taylor

Others Present: Mr. Brown, Mr. Hart, Mrs. Littlehale, Dr. Murphy, Mr. Sabin and Mrs. Waite

**Pledge of Allegiance**

**Board Organizational Meeting:**

Election of Board Chair

Mr. Melville moved and Mr. Polak seconded the nomination of Mr. Pew to serve as Board Chairman.

It was moved, seconded, and voted YEA to cease nominations.

Mr. Pew was elected as Board Chairman. VOTE: Unanimous Yea

Election of Board Vice-Chair

Ms. Nasta moved and Mrs. Cummings seconded that Ms. Cross be nominated to serve as Board Vice-Chair.

Mr. Melville moved, it was seconded and voted YEA to cease nominations.

Ms. Cross was elected as Board Vice-Chair. VOTE: Unanimous Yea

Election of Board Vice-Chair Pro-Tempore

Ms. Cross moved and Mrs. Largess seconded the nomination of Mr. Polak to serve as Board Vice-Chair Pro-Tempore.

Mrs. Cummings moved, Ms. Cross seconded and it was voted YEA to cease nominations.

Mr. Polak was elected as Board Vice-Chair Pro-Tempore.

**II ACTION ON MINUTES:**

Mrs. Arizzi noted that the Minutes from June 9, 2008, should be corrected to indicate that the performance referred to in the Minutes was by Telstar High School students and not by the Bethel Performing Arts Program. Ms. Cross then moved and Mrs. Cummings seconded that the Minutes from the June 9, 2008 meeting, be approved as amended.

VOTE: Unanimous Yea

**III CITIZEN COMMENTS:**

none

**IV BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS:**

Ms. Cross reported that she had attended the recent Maine School Wellness Conference and she urged other Board members to consider attending the Wellness Conference and joining the SAD #44 Wellness Team in the future.

Mr. Polak offered congratulations to 2002 Telstar High School graduate Anna Willard of Greenwood on her recent U.S. record in the Steeple Chase. Miss Willard will be representing the U.S.A. in the Olympics in China later this summer.

**Board Chairman's Report**

Mr. Pew thanked and commended Mrs. Cummings for her efforts as Board Chair.

**V COMMITTEE/BOARD MEETINGS:**

SAD #44 Board Meeting: Monday, August 11, 2008– 7:00 PM – Telstar Library  
Personnel Committee: Monday, August 11, 2008  
Finance Committee: Monday, August 11, 2008  
Negotiations Committee: Monday, August 11, 2008  
No other Committee Meetings scheduled  
Region 9 Cooperative Board: July 15, 2008 – 7:00 PM – Region 9 Cafeteria, Mexico

**VI COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

Finance Committee: Mr. Pew  
Personnel Committee: Ms. Brown  
Region 9 Cooperative Board: Mr. Farrington

**VII SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT AND CORRESPONDENCE:**

Dr. Murphy reported on the following resignations and appointments:

**Resignations:** Judith Coolidge, Gr 2 at CPS; and William Morton, THS Social Studies

**Appointments:** Theresa Urban, School Bus Driver

**Transfers:** Jason Mathias, from part-time to full-time Custodian; and Christine Coolidge, from CPS to Telstar Food Service (recall from RIF)

**Schedule B Appointments for 2008-09:** Pamela House, WES Student Council Advisor; Tonya Prentice, WES Soccer Coach; Pamela House, WES Softball Coach; Gail Wight, THS Head Field Hockey Coach; Lori Davis, THS Assistant Field Hockey Coach; Timothy Remington, THS Head Soccer Coach; Robert Remington, THS Assistant Soccer Coach; Gary Wight and Daniel Crooker Jr., THS Cross Country Co-Coaches; Timothy O'Connor, THS Football Coach; James Lunney, THS Golf Coach; W. Thomas Coolidge, THS Drama Advisor; Wendy Hanscom, THS Yearbook Advisor; Douglas Bennett, THS Student Council Advisor; Valerie Forman, THS National Honor Society Advisor; Jennifer Bennett, THS F.B.L.A. Advisor; Timothy O'Connor, Sophomore Class (2011) Advisor; Ellen Marshall & Sarah Southam, Junior Class (2010) Co-Advisors; Steve Keane, Senior Class (2009) Advisor

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**VII SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT (cont.)**

- Dr. Murphy updated the Board on School Consolidation. The Board was informed about the most recent response received from the Commissioner. Efforts with Rangeley will need to continue since all student counts are based on 10/01/06 enrollment data. Dr. Murphy indicated that he will be reactivating the Regional Planning Committee and scheduling a meeting for the end of July. It was noted that area legislators should be invited to attend.
- Dr. Murphy reported that the sprinkler project at Telstar would be going out to bid soon. The amounts approved for projects for the Telstar cafeteria and auditorium will be available this summer.

**VIII OLD BUSINESS:**

None

**IX NEW BUSINESS:**

1. Discussion
2. Adjustments to the Agenda
3. Ms. Brown motioned to accept the Personnel Committee's recommendation and approve the Superintendent's nomination of Kimberly Tyler to a first year probationary contract as a primary teacher for the Andover Elementary School.  
VOTE: Unanimous Yea
4. Dr. Murphy provided an overview of a Cooperative Education program at Telstar. Details will be developed and brought back to the Education Committee and Board for consideration on August 11, 2008.

Mr. Farrington moved and Ms. Cross seconded that the Board direct the administration to design a Cooperative Education program at Telstar High School and report back to the Board on August 11, 2008.

VOTE: Unanimous Yea

5. Ms. Brown motioned that the Board accept the Personnel and Negotiations Committees' recommendations and approve the Superintendent's nomination of Sandra K. Schroeder as Principal for Telstar Regional Middle School for the 2008-2009 and 2009-2010 school years, with a salary of \$73,500 for FY '09, a 3% raise for FY '10, up to the cost of a two adult BC/BS Choice Plus health insurance plan and other benefits as recommended.  
VOTE: Unanimous Yea

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**NEW BUSINESS (cont.)**

6. Ms. Cross moved, Mr. Farrington seconded and it was voted YEA to table action on this item (appointment of a Director of Special Services for MSAD 44 for the 2008-2009 school year).
  
7. Mr. Pew motioned that the Board accept the Finance Committee's recommendation to approve the Computation and Declaration of Votes for the June 10, 2008 MSAD 44 Budget Validation Referendum Vote. (Signatures required)  
VOTE: Unanimous Yea
  
8. Mr. Pew motioned that the Board accept the Finance Committee's recommendation to award the bid for the Telstar Canopy Project to Quality Construction.  
VOTE: Unanimous Yea
  
9. Mr. Pew motioned that the Board accept the Finance Committee's recommendation to award the bid for the district audit report to RHR Smith and Company.  
VOTE: Unanimous Yea

**ADJOURNMENT:**

Mrs. Cummings moved, Mr. Korhonen seconded, and it was voted YEA to adjourn the meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

David W. Murphy, Ed.D.  
Superintendent