

MINUTES OF THE REGIONAL SCHOOL UNIT 1 PUBLIC MEETING HELD MAY 31, 2011 AT 6:00 PM IN BATH MIDDLE SCHOOL GYMNASIUM. (NOTE: These minutes are not official until approved by the Board. Such action, either to approve or amend and approve, is anticipated at the June 20, 2011 meeting).

Members Present: Timothy Harkins, Chairperson; Julie Rice, Vice Chairperson; David Barber, Chet Garrison, Robin Buczkowski, Betsy Varian, Alan Walton; Student Representatives Zach Shaw and Elizabeth Young; William C. Shuttleworth, Superintendent of Schools

CALLED TO ORDER

Superintendent Shuttleworth welcomed the public to tonight's meeting and thanked everyone for coming out to participate in the budget process.

Article 1: To choose a moderator to preside at said meeting.

MOVED AND SECONDED TO NOMINATE JOHN MORSE AS MODERATOR. NO OTHER NOMINATIONS. DECLARED NOMINATIONS CLOSED. JOHN MORSE WAS ELECTED BY THREE WRITTEN BALLOTS. MR. MORSE WAS SWORN IN BY SUPERINTENDENT SHUTTLEWORTH.

Mr. Morse was introduced to the audience and thanked everyone for their support. Mr. Morse stated that the meeting will be run by town meeting rules and reviewed them for the audience. Mr. Morse introduced the National Honor Society students who would be assisting the audience during the meeting.

Article 2: To see what sum the regional school unit will be authorized to expend for Regular Instruction: Recommend: \$9,597,768.00

MOVED: Harkins SECONDED: Rice TO AUTHORIZE \$9,597,768 AS READ FOR RECOMMENDED AMOUNT. PASSED BY SHOW OF CARDS.

Article 3: To see what sum the regional school unit will expend for Special Education: Recommend: \$3,427,411.00

MOVED: Varian SECONDED: Rice TO AUTHORIZE \$3,427,411 AS PRINTED. PASSED BY SHOW OF CARDS.

Article 4: To see what sum the regional school unit will be authorized to expend for Career and Technical Education: Recommend: \$1,280,380.00

MOVED: Harkins SECONDED: Rice TO AUTHORIZE 1,280,380.00 AS PRINTED. PASSED BY SHOW OF CARDS.

Article 5: To see what sum the regional school unit will be authorized to expend in Other Instruction: Recommend: \$510,389.00

MOVED: Buczkowski SECONDED: Rice TO AUTHORIZE \$510,389.00 AS PRINTED. PASSED BY SHOW OF CARDS.

Article 6: To see what sum the regional school unit will be authorized to expend for Student and Staff Support: Recommend: \$2,181,471.00

**MOVED: Harkins SECONDED: Rice TO AUTHORIZE \$2,181,471.00 AS
PRINTED. PASSED BY SHOW OF CARDS.**

Article 7: To see what sum the regional school unit will be authorized to expend for System Administration: Recommend: \$525,352.00

Bath resident Jackie Dwinal motioned to amend Article 7 by \$2,100 to eliminate the Board of Directors' stipends. Amended Recommended: \$523,252.00

The amended motion failed by a show of cards.

**MOVED: Garrison SECONDED: Rice TO AUTHORIZE \$525,352.00 AS
PRINTED. PASSED BY SHOW OF CARDS.**

Article 8: To see what sum the regional school unit will be authorized to expend for School Administration: Recommend: \$1,422,767.00

**MOVED: Barber SECONDED: Rice TO AUTHORIZE \$1,422,767.00 AS
PRINTED. PASSED BY SHOW OF CARDS.**

Article 9: To see what sum the regional school unit will be authorized to expend for transportation: Recommend: \$1,027,257.00

**MOVED: Rice SECONDED: Barber TO AUTHORIZE \$1,027,257.00 AS
PRINTED. PASSED BY SHOW OF CARDS.**

Article 10: To see what sum the regional school unit will be authorized to expend for Facilities Maintenance: Recommend: \$3,154,373.00

**MOVED: Varian SECONDED: Rice TO AUTHORIZE \$3,154,373.00 AS
PRINTED. PASSED BY SHOW OF CARDS.**

Article 11: To see what sum the regional school unit will be authorized to expend for Debt Service: Recommend: \$1,891,073.00

**MOVED: Garrison SECONDED: Rice TO AUTHORIZE \$1,891,073.00 AS
PRINTED. PASSED BY SHOW OF CARDS.**

Revenue Article 12: To see what sum the regional school unit will appropriate for the total cost of funding public education from kindergarten to grade 12 as described in the Essential Programs and Services Funding Act and to see what sum the district will raise and assess as each municipality's contribution to the total cost of funding public education from pre-kindergarten to grade 12 (Recommend amount set forth below):

State EPS Calculation	Required Local
	<i>(to receive state subsidy)</i>
<i>Total appropriated (by municipality)</i>	<i>Total raised (district assessments)</i>
<i>Town of Arrowsic \$ 397,238</i>	<i>Town of Arrowsic \$ 381,200</i>

<i>City of Bath</i>	\$11,830,643	<i>City of Bath</i>	\$7,368,034
<i>Town of Phippsburg</i>	\$ 2,555,758	<i>Town of Phippsburg</i>	\$2,452,479
<i>Town of West Bath</i>	\$ 2,400,484	<i>Town of West Bath</i>	\$2,400,484
<i>Town of Woolwich</i>	\$ 4,731,749	<i>Town of Woolwich</i>	\$2,780,334
<i>Total Appropriated</i>	\$21,915,872	<i>Total Raised</i>	\$15,382,531

MOVED: Rice SECONDED: Barber TO AUTHORIZE RECOMMENDED AMOUNTS AS PRINTED. PASSED BY SHOW OF CARDS.

Article 13: To see what sum the regional school unit will raise and appropriate for the annual payments on debt service previously approved by the legislative body for non-state-funded school construction projects, non-state-funded portions of school construction projects and minor capital projects in addition to the funds appropriated as the local share of the school administrative unit's contribution to the total cost of funding public education from pre-kindergarten to grade 12. Recommend \$883,290.00

MOVED: Barber SECONDED: Rice TO AUTHORIZE \$883,290.00 AS PRINTED. PASSED BY SHOW OF CARDS.

Article 14: Shall the regional school unit raise and appropriate \$599,431.00 in additional local funds, which exceeds the State's Essential Programs and Services allocation model by \$112,632.73, as required to fund the budget recommended by the Regional School Unit Board of Directors?

The Board of Directors recommends \$599,431.00 to continue to support the educational programs that this community has long embraced for all regional school unit students. The EPS model does not adequately address all educational programs. Recommend: YES

MOVED: Harkins SECONDED: Rice TO AUTHORIZE \$599,431.00 AS WRITTEN WITH A YES VOTE. REGISTERED VOTERS IN ATTENDANCE VOTED BY WRITTEN BALLOT. A RECESS WAS CALLED WHILE CLERKS TALLIED THE VOTES. ARTICLE 14 WAS APPROVED: 109 YES, 27 NO, 0 BLANK

Total General Fund Article 15: To see what sum the regional school unit will authorize the school committee to expend for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2011 and ending June 30, 2012 from the school administrative unit's contribution to the total cost of funding public education from pre-kindergarten to grade 12 as described in the Essential Programs and Services Funding Act, non-state-funded school construction projects, additional local funds for school purposes, unexpended balances, tuition receipts, state subsidy and other receipts for the support of schools. Recommend: \$25,018,241

MOVED: Rice SECONDED: Barber TO AUTHORIZE \$25,018,241.00 AS PRINTED. PASSED BY SHOW OF CARDS.

Article 16: To see if the regional school unit will appropriate \$193,221 for Adult Education and raise \$63,800.00 as the local share; with authorization to expend any additional, incidental, or miscellaneous receipts in the interest and for the well-being of the adult education program. Recommend: \$63,800.00

**MOVED: Walton SECONDED: Rice TO AUTHORIZE \$63,800.00 AS
PRINTED. PASSED BY SHOW OF CARDS.**

Article 17: Capital Reserve Funds – Shall the Board of Directors be authorized to raise \$25,000 for the previously established capital reserve fund and be further authorized to expend the funds if necessary? Recommend: YES

**MOVED: Walton SECONDED: Rice TO AUTHORIZE ARTICLE 17 AS
PRINTED. PASSED BY SHOW OF CARDS.**

Article 18: In addition to the amount in article 15, shall the voters authorize the Board of Directors to accept and expend any state, federal and other grants, aid and receipts during the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2011 and ending June 30, 2012, for school purposes provided that such grants, aid and receipts do not require expenditure of local funds not previously appropriated? Recommend: YES

**MOVED: Buczkowski SECONDED: Barber TO AUTHORIZE ARTICLE 18 AS
PRINTED. PASSED BY SHOW OF CARDS.**

ADJOURN

TO: Adjourn at 8:05 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

William C. Shuttleworth
Secretary