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Minutes
Machias School Committee
Wednesday, October 28, 2020
Zoom Video Conference
4:00 PM

Attendance: Teresa Saddler, Richard Shaw, Carolyn Nadeau, Joleen Nicely,
William Weaver.

Others Present: Joyce Fragale, Nicole Case, Mitchell Look, Scott Porter.

I. Call to order at 4:00 p.m. by Teresa Saddler.

II. **Approval of the minutes of October 7, 2020.**

Motion by Carolyn Nadeau to approve the minutes of October 7, 2020.
Second: William Weaver; Vote: Teresa Saddler (yes), Richard Shaw (yes),
Carolyn Nadeau (yes), Joleen Nicely (yes), William Weaver (yes); Vote: 5-0.

III. **Agenda Adjustments:** None.

IV. **Public Comment:** None.

V. **Principals' Reports:**

The Rose M. Gaffney and Machias Memorial High School Building
Principals reviewed their Coronavirus Relief Funds spending plans with
the School Committee.

VI. **New Business:**

1. Coronavirus Relief Funds Update:

The Superintendent informed the School Committee that the Building
Principals have been implementing the Coronavirus Relief Funds plan.
The plan includes upgrades to the kitchen, as well as, purchasing
computers, installing a outdoor fitness center and an outdoor
classroom/pavilion.

The Coronavirus Relief Funds allocation for the Machias School
department is \$507,437.00. These funds must be spent on Coronavirus
related items and is a reimbursement model.

2. Campus Greenhouse:

The Superintendent informed the School Committee that the greenhouse

on the Machias campus had to be removed to make room for the new outdoor fitness center and pavilion. The Building Principal would like to have Machias schools work collaboratively with a non-profit organization that will provide fresh produce to area residents.

Motion by Richard Shaw to approve a collaborative partnership with a non-profit organization to jointly use the greenhouse to raise produce for area residents.

Second: Joleen Nicely; Vote: Teresa Saddler (yes), Richard Shaw (yes), Carolyn Nadeau (yes), Joleen Nicely (yes), William Weaver (yes); Vote: 5

3. Sports Update:

The Superintendent informed the School Committee that winter sports programs have been delayed due to Washington County being designated "yellow" by the State Health Advisory System due to an increase in Coronavirus cases.

4. State Revenue Forecast and 20/21 Funding:

The Superintendent reported that the State may be looking at a \$1.4 billion decrease in revenue over a 3 year period. The Revenue Forecasting group will be meeting on December 1, 2020 to reassess State revenues. The Superintendent also reported there could be school subsidy cuts in the 21/22 school year.

5. Snow Days/Remote Learning:

The Superintendent informed the School Committee that districts have the option to conduct remote learning for students on snow days.

6. CTE Update:

The Superintendent reported that the 4 Corners Columbia CTE facility is up and running with 4 new programs (Automotive, Diesel, Welding and Early Childhood education). The Narraguagus High School campus offers CNA and Law Enforcement programs. Machias Memorial High School offers Culinary Arts and Building Trades while Jonesport/Beals has a new Aquaculture program. The CTE Center could possibly have a new Truck Driving program in 2 years.

VII. Adjournment:

Motion to adjourn at 4:50 p.m. by Richard Shaw.

Second: Carolyn Nadeau; Vote: 5-0.

Respectfully Submitted,



Scott K. Porter

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