



Heather King, Head of School Rachel Merrill, Principal

Mission "Providing a rigorous college preparatory curriculum and well-rounded arts education to enrich the lives of our students."

Vision "Nurturing the next generation of leaders to become invaluable citizens at the heart of Maine's cultural, economic and social well-being."

BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

June 3, 2024 - 5:00 PM

Approved July 1, 2024

Google Link

<https://meet.google.com/yzt-konq-irh?authuser=0>

Directors present: Sherry Gilbert, Linda Warner, Janna Townsend, Drew Landry, Tim Rector, Mitchell Thomas

Staff: Cory King, Tina Spencer, Jasen Richardson, Jenna Murray, Rachel Merrill

Public: Liza Conry, Michelle Giroux-Pare, Shana Page

Call to Order / Declaration of a Quorum Sherry Gilbert called the meeting to order and declared a quorum at 5:00pm. Janna Townsend read the school's mission and vision statements.

1. Approval of Minutes

Motion by Linda Warner, seconded by Drew Landry, to approve the minutes from May's BOD meeting. Unanimous.

2. Public Comment - Shana Page stated that graduation was lovely with the representation of all of the arts and that the dance performance was great. Parents reported their appreciation of the ceremony being held in the large room at the civic center and being recognized!

3. Administrative Report - Board members shared their appreciation of the administrative report.

4. Committee Reports

- a. Tim Rector - Chair, Finance Committee - Tim reported on work being done by the committee.
- b. Drew Landry - Chair, Governance - Did not meet.
- c. Linda Warner - Chair, Development - Linda reported on work being done by the committee.
- d. Janna Townsend - Chair, Academic Excellence - Did not meet.

5. Additions/Adjustments by Chair/Directors Heather King added that there should be a conversation about the energy efficiency efforts being taken by the school. Sherry Gilbert added information about Board on Track, which organizes all Board materials. Lilah Pottle, an early graduate from MeAA, received high honors from Thomas College.

7. Old Business - None.

8. New Business

- a. ESEA Title Funds Public Comment - Heather King reported that the school consistently posts and discusses all Title funding information in a public forum. Title I: \$67,617.42, Title II: \$11,462.51, Title IV: \$10,000.00. Throughout the year, the ESEA application team members have gathered and reviewed school-level data to plan for the use of ESEA funds in the upcoming year. It was determined that Title I, Title IIA, and Title IV funding for the 2024-2025 school year will be used in the following ways. The school is certainly open to more public comment. Title I - Student instructional support in all subjects, with a special emphasis on reading and mathematics. Support may include one-to-one and small group tutoring, in-class, extended-day or summer school learning, or other methods. 2. Title II - Providing professional development opportunities for individual teachers and other school leaders to improve content knowledge, curriculum, classroom practice, and designing and implementing assessments based on learning standards. 3. Title IV - Providing students with learning opportunities that support a well-rounded education, and health and wellness instruction and activities. Janna Townsend requested that the Academic Excellence Committee discuss the results of tutoring this school year in their upcoming meeting.
- b. Charter Commission Meeting Update - Linda Warner and Heather King attended the meeting. Sherry Gilbert shared that she joined the meeting partway through and the commission was discussing its mission and vision statements.
- c. Maine Charter Alliance Update - Heather King shared that the alliance is creating an executive director position. Janna Townsend joined the meeting partway through.
- d. Middle School Application - The application has been submitted to the Charter Commission. It is scheduled to be reviewed at the August Charter Commission meeting. (The commission does not meet

in July.)

- e. EEAC School Bus Safety Policy - Distributed to Board members.
- f. EEACAA-R Drug and Alcohol Testing for Bus Drivers - Distributed to Board members. Cory King explained the random selection process for drug and alcohol testing.
- g. Maine Arts Academy Bus Accident Protocol - To be distributed to Board members.
- h. New Board Member discussion - To be discussed in the future.
- i. Revision Solar Panels - Tim Rector shared that he and Cory King attended a webinar regarding solar panels in schools. Revision Energy has worked with over 80 schools in Maine, New Hampshire, and Massachusetts. Installation timing will depend on the condition of the school's roof.
- j. Lighting - Cory King shared there is lighting energy being wasted in the amount of \$22,000 - \$28,000 per year. Hallway lighting could potentially be replaced by LED bulbs and could have dimming and on/off options. Heather King shared that Rural Development will be visiting the school in July. Heather King shared that she has received approximately 50 applications for bus drivers.

9. Announcements & Upcoming Events / Meetings

- a. Governance Meeting: TBA, 5:00 pm
- b. Development Committee: July 10, 2024 2:00 pm
- c. Academic Excellence: June 10, 2024 9:00 am
- d. Finance Committee June 26, 2024 4:00 pm
- e. Maine Alliance of Public Charter Schools: TBA
- h. Graduation Sunday June 2, Augusta Civic Center 12:00 pm (Doors open at 11:30)

10. Next Board Meeting: Monday, July 1, 2024 at 5:00pm via zoom

Executive Session: Title 1, Chapter 13, Sub-chapter 1, Freedom of Access, §405, (6) (A)(1): Individual's right to privacy

Motion by Linda Warner, seconded by Janna Townsend to enter Executive Session at 5:48pm - Executive Session: Title 1, Chapter 13, Sub-chapter 1, Freedom of Access, §405, (6) (A)(1): Unanimous.

Exited Executive Session at 6:10pm. No action taken.

Motion by Andrew Landry, seconded by Tim Rector, to enter Executive Session at 6:11pm - Executive Session: Title 1, Chapter 13, Sub-chapter 1, Freedom of Access, §405, (6) (A)(1): Exited Executive Session at 6:38pm. No Action Taken.

11. Adjournment:

Motion to Adjourn by Andrew Landry. Meeting adjourned at 6:39pm.