

RSU 54/MSAD 54
SUPPORT SERVICES COMMITTEE
MINUTES
Thursday September 7, 2023 at 6:00 pm
SAMS Library

Members Present: Mark Bedard; Jean Franklin; Bruce Hurley; Michelle Kelso; Desiree Libby; Julian Payne; Lynda Quinn; Sara Smith
Also Present: Karyn Curran; Amy Rouse; Jon Moody; David Leavitt

1. Re-Organization of Committee

The Committee met and elected Jean Franklin as Chair and Mark Bedard as Vice Chair. The Committee set the number for a quorum to 5.

2. Request for Out of State Athletic Trips

Athletic Director Brian Jones introduced the high school Baseball and Softball teams, who gave presentations on spring training events they would like to attend, softball in Tennessee and baseball in South Carolina. The High School Administration is in support of these trips.

Recommendation: The School Board approves both trips as presented.

3. Review of issues/resolution to Canaan Roof

As part of the current project issues were discovered with the existing roofing that need to be addressed on the main building. Maine Exterior Pros has been hired to strip and replace the shingles, and all roof decking that is needed.

4. Recycling school waste

Cynthia Kirk Skowhegan transfer station manager gave a presentation on the importance of recycling in our schools and the financial benefit for the town. She is in hopes to work with schools to ensure success.

5. SRO Status

Mr. Moody reported that there is a difference of opinion between the Sherrif and Police Chief on how best to cover our schools with a new SRO. The issue is both a jurisdiction and command-and-control structure issue. Chief Bucknam attended

the meeting and expressed how a second Skowhegan SRO could work. This included having MOU with each town allowing a Skowhegan SRO to have jurisdiction in their towns. Superintendent Moody will follow-up with a discussion with the full board.

6. Donations

Mill Stream has received a donation of \$28.90 from General Mills Box Top; SCTC has received a donation of \$30,000 from the John T. Gorman Foundation; RSU54 has received a donation of \$3,000 for the MMK program (Move More Kids); SCTC has received \$50,000 from the Hannigan Foundation.

Recommendation: The School Board accept the above listed donations.

Future Meetings: 10/6/23, 11/2/23, 12/7/23