



## MAINE STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION

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The State Board of Education held a regular monthly meeting on May 13, 2009, at the Cross State Office Building, ATM Room 103, Augusta, Maine. The following members were present: Chair Ann Weisleder; Vice Chair James Banks, Sr.; James Carignan; Philip Dionne; Jean Gulliver; Marilyn Temple Tardy; Justin Chenette; and Mabel Desmond. Excused: Honor Wilkinson

Also present were: Wanda Monthey, Policy Director of Standards, Assessment and Regional Services; and Mary Becker, Secretary Associate.

**Note:** Ann Weisleder left the meeting at 1:02 PM to attend a legislative work session on LD 1297. Honor Wilkinson attended the morning workshop session and left at 11:00 AM.

### **CALLED TO ORDER:**

Vice Chair James Banks called the meeting to order at 1:00 PM.

### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

MOVED by Jim Carignan, seconded by Jean Gulliver, and unanimously voted by those present to approve the April 15, 2009 minutes as written.

### **OFFICER'S REPORTS:**

#### **Chair, Ann Weisleder:**

- No Report

#### **Vice Chair, James Banks**

- That the Board Retreat is scheduled for August 17 and 18, 2009 and will be held at the McKernan Center at Southern Maine Community College in South Portland. Any suggestions or comments that members have regarding new member orientation documents should be forwarded to Mary Becker.

## **BOARD MEMBER REPORTS:**

### **Phil Dionne:**

- That he attended the Maine Career and Technical Education Students of the Year Awards Ceremony in Lewiston at the Green Ladle. Approximately twenty four schools named a student of the year. Several of the students have already been accepted to 2 and 4 year colleges. Commissioner Gendron attended as well.
- That he attended the Landing School Team Review in Arundel with Harry Osgood. There are around 70 students in the age group of 30 to 32.
- That he attended the Embry Riddle Team Review at the Navel Air Station on May 11th. They are in a transition of almost 100% military students, versus in a short period of time going to 100% non-military students. It is an International School with very high credentials and is known all over.
- That he attended the Childhood Obesity Prevention Summit “Calories In and Calories Out” in Washington, DC on May 7 and 8. There were eleven different groups including NASBE that attended the Summit.

### **Jim Carignan:**

- No Report

### **Mabel Desmond:**

- That she attended a convention for Retired Teachers that was held in Augusta.
- That she attended the Certification Committee meeting on May 11, 2009.

### **Marilyn Temple Tardy:**

- That she completed the last of the six school site visits as a review panel member for the Teacher of the Year Program. She very much enjoyed the visits as there are many great teachers and supportive staff throughout the State. The Oral Presentations are the next step and then the Professional Portfolios from each of the semi-finalist. There were a few more applicants this year than last.

### **Justin Chenette:**

- That he attended the 2009 Governor’s Service Awards in April and received an exemplary service award. It was very exciting to meet with youth from all around the State that volunteer on their campus and throughout their communities.

- That he will give a Keynote address at the Hugh O'Brien Leadership Seminar at UNE on Friday, May 15th. This will be an opportunity to meet youth from around the State and to see what issues they have at their school and what is going on around their communities.

**Jean Gulliver:**

- No Report

**CONSENT AGENDA:**

RECEIPT OF THE STATE REVIEW TEAM REPORT CONCERNING CERTAIN UNIVERSITY OF SOUTHERN MAINE EDUCATOR PREPARATION PROGRAMS SEEKING RENEWAL OF STATE PROGRAM APPROVAL.

MOVED by Jim Carignan, seconded by Jean Gulliver, and unanimously voted by those present to approve the consent agenda.

**SPECIAL ORDERS (Important business previously designated for consideration)**

SLATE OF OFFICERS FOR NOMINATION OF CHAIR AND VICE CHAIR FOR THE 2009 – 2010 YEAR

Nomination Committee Chair, Jean Gulliver presented the slate of names for chair and vice chair. Ann Weisleder was nominated to serve as chair and James Banks was nominated to serve as vice chair for a term of one year beginning July 1, 2009, ending June 30, 2010.

ADOPTION OF THE REVISED POLICY AND PROCEDURES MANUAL.

MOVED by Jim Carignan, seconded by Marilyn Tardy, and unanimously voted by those present to adopt the revised Policy and Procedures Manual with the following amendments:

**Code of Ethical Conduct:**

Change #2 "fellow Board members" to "colleagues on the Board"

Change #7 "establish" to "develop"

**Agenda Review:**

Change #1 "Department staff presenting approved exhibits" to "Department staff presenting exhibits approved by the Commissioner"

**Annual Calendar:**

Change - Under the month of December add "students when possible" in the last Sentence

**Mission Statement:**

Change – The word "direction" to "recommendations"

**NEW BUSINESS:**

AFFIRMATION OF THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE BOARD FOR THE NOMINATION OF NEW STUDENT BOARD MEMBER.

MOVED by Jim Carignan, seconded by Marilyn Tardy and unanimously voted by those present to approve the three student candidates sent to the Governor's office for nomination of one student to the State Board.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

- No Announcements

**PUBLIC COMMENTS:**

- No Public Comment

**ADJOURNMENT:**

Moved by Jim Carignan, seconded by Marilyn Tardy, and unanimously voted by those present to adjourn the May 13, 2009, State Board of Education meeting at 1:19 PM.