

**EAST MILLINOCKET/ MEDWAY/ WOODVILLE SCHOOL  
BOARDS**

**Tuesday, November 14, 2017 - 6:00 PM**

**MEDWAY MIDDLE SCHOOL LIBRARY**

**Medway School Board**

Dawn York - Chairperson  
Darrell Lyons - Vice Chairperson  
Bruce Cox  
Gene LaPorte  
Karen Lyons

**East Millinocket School Board**

Ryan Whitehouse - Chairperson  
Angel Danforth - Vice Chairperson (ab)  
Dan Byron  
John MacLeod  
Mark Wallace

**Woodville School Board**

Mary Tompkins - Chairperson  
Kapricemari Tompkins - Vice Chairperson  
Sherry Kimball

**1. Call to order – Medway**

Dawn York, Chairperson, called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM.

**2. Call to order - East Millinocket**

Ryan Whitehouse, Chairperson, called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM.

**3. Call to order – Woodville**

Mary Tompkins, Chairperson, called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM.

**4. Adjustments to the agenda**

None

**5. Public comment**

None

**6. Superintendent reports**

**Eric Steeves, Superintendent East Millinocket/ Woodville**

**Highlights:**

- Continued to meet with other Regional Superintendents to address the Commissioner's Regional School proposal and FEDES grant.

engage students with current topics, online learning, and continued assessment. Thank you to Mrs. Dickinson for sharing this great resource with the staff.

- I attended MAMLE, with 3 other teachers, to learn more about middle school learning and strategies. It is always a great conference and we will be bringing new information back to our staff and share what we learned during our staff meetings.
- The CountMeIn grant came through and they are now able to work with us, along with Millinocket and RSU67, to try to reduce absences in our school. Research shows that missing 10% or more school significantly impacts your success post high school. We are trying to remedy this at the elementary level, in hopes that we can build strong habits. Also, the DOE will be using absences as an indicator for "grading" our schools, so this work is very timely and important! Susan Lieberman, from CountMeIn, is coming to work with the intervention team on strategies and will be training the teachers as well. I look forward to working with Susan and believe this will be a great thing for our students and staff.
- Mr. Ring and I have been collaborating on professional development K-12, along with working together on standards-based diplomas and teacher training. We are excited to get the vertical teams together to ensure we ease the transition between the three schools.
- I attended the MSSA and MSBA conference in Augusta. Both days that I attended were packed full of stuff and the Superintendent's Association is very focused on the proficiency-based diploma rules, along with rejuvenating the work around Redefining Ready! I am hopeful that working together as an association will allow us to accomplish many things this year.
- Our first Math Meet was held here on November 8<sup>th</sup>. The Penquis League allows us to invite 9<sup>th</sup> graders to compete as well, so Mrs. Thompson has been working with Mr. Nicholson to involve the 9<sup>th</sup> graders. She has also gone up and held practices after school with the 9<sup>th</sup> graders. It will be nice to provide this opportunity, since the high school league is tailored toward upperclassmen.

#### UPCOMING EVENTS:

November 16<sup>th</sup>: Parent/Teacher Conferences

November 17<sup>th</sup>: GT Exploration Day #2

November 20<sup>th</sup>: Parent/Student Basketball game for 8<sup>th</sup> grade Fundraiser (5:00PM)

November 21<sup>st</sup>: Report cards go home

November 22-24<sup>th</sup>: Thanksgiving Vacation

December 30<sup>th</sup>: Literacy night in the Library

#### Curt Ring, Principal

#### Schenck High School & Opal Myrick Elementary School

Enrollments:


Schenck – 118

Opal Myrick – 139

1. The proficiency-based system for the class of 2021 is up and running. We will spend the next several months fixing any issues that arise. It must be noted that, although the instruction has not changed, the assessments and how grades are

with me, then in the future we will discuss using Accuplacers instead of NWEAs to collect testing data for high school students.

**Stacie Smith, Director of Special Education Services (K-12)**

-  In regard to East Millinocket, Woodville, and Medway School Departments: The Maine Department of Education (Maine DOE), Office of Special Services would like to **commend you and your staff for the high level of performance demonstrated in your data and records.** Based upon a review of data from the 2016-2017 school year, Maine DOE has determined that your local educational agency (LEA) has received the designation of **Meets Requirements for the 2016-2017 school year in implementing the requirements of Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA).**

IDEA, Section 616, requires all states to make determinations on the performance of each LEA with regard to various indicators. Four sets of factors were considered: (1) performance on compliance indicators in the State Performance Plan, (2) compliance on required data reporting timelines, (3) results of a fiscal audit (if applicable), and (4) adherence to regulatory requirements. Data for the measures were compiled from EF-S-05 (child count and personnel) data, local entitlement application records, and program review files. Please review the performance report for your LEA as these elements will continue to be important factors in monitoring LEA performance. No further action is required at this time.

- Met with Katahdin Area Special Education Directors on November 8th at RSU 67. I shared information from the MADSEC board. Reviewed possible upcoming changes in Special Education law and the impact the laws will have on IEP development, identification, and the evaluation process, proficiency-based diplomas and the impact on students with IEPs, and the new proposal for CDS services to be "taken over" by local school districts.



- A special shout out to Kim Lyons and Laurie Stanley for their tireless assistance with the state form EFS 05. Transitioning to Synergy has been an extremely frustrating experience! In the process of completing the following report: Report of Services to Students with Disabilities Part I (EF S 05).
- Initial/re-evaluation special education referrals for many students are in process.
- The Special Education teachers and I have been focusing on Standards Based goal writing for our students.

**Stacie Smith, School Counseling Services Director (K-8), Senior Counselor**

- Counseling sessions for individual students dealing with loss, family change, and behavior management have been the most recent focus of needed support.

Winter Sport tryouts are Nov 20<sup>th</sup> with 28 boys and 21 girls signed up and both teams have two managers. We have 9 cheerleaders signed up

The Penobscot Valley Conference held a leadership summit on October 30<sup>th</sup> for all the member schools. Mr. Rob Miller from Proactive Coaching was the guest speaker.

### **Medway Middle School**

Winter sports will start on November 15, we have 23 girls, and 29 boys signed up 6<sup>th</sup> -8<sup>th</sup> grade. We have 11 cheerleaders signed up 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> grade.

- Mr. Montgomery shared the dynamics of the 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade level/ A, B and Rec teams, as outlined in policy JJI-A.

### **8. Region III**

Wayne Danforth shared the Region III report. Mr. Danforth highlighted on points of the report.

### **9. K-12 Principal presentation**

Dawn Pray and Curt Ring handed out bullet points for their presentation. Dawn P. referred to a comprehensive needs assessment plan that they will be working on in the next few months and shared how much the schools have been working collaboratively.

### **10. Pre-K discussion**

- Deb Rountree from KTEC attended the meeting.
- Dawn Pray brought up the possibility of moving the Pre-k program into the East Millinocket School building.
- Dawn P. emphasized the importance to include all parties involved in the decision making process (i.e. KTEC, Penquis, and East Millinocket School etc.).
- In exploring space, availability at the school before moving forward, Eric Steeves stated he would like someone to see if the existing structure would work. The East Millinocket school board agrees as of right now to look into the possibility.

### **11. Fall Conference**

- Ryan Whitehouse shared information from the Fall Conference in regards to technology and importance of expanding school technology capabilities.
- Bruce Cox shared some information regarding a meeting with the Commissioner and discussions about school consolidation.
- While at the conference, the attendees engaged in some dynamic program activities, as well as presentations on laws in school, and social issues in special education, among many other topics.

### **12. Future meeting dates**

Possibly after Holidays. Eric and Dawn will work on potential dates.

MeASBO. Topics will include: Subsidy Impacts of the Budget Bill, Booster Clubs, ACA developments and a few more.

- I heard from our auditor on November 1<sup>st</sup>. According to Shayne, they are running behind due to the power outage knocking out their phones and internet, so he's still not sure when the audit will be completed.

**16. Bus Bid Opening**

Dawn Pray presented the board with two sealed bids that were received by the October 26, 2017 deadline.

A motion was made by Bruce Cox and seconded by Darrell Lyons to accept the bid from Alan Cimon, for \$803.79. The bus must be removed from the property by Friday, November 17, 2017 at 3:00 PM, as stated in the bid request.

**Discussion:**

The money will go on the maintenance line.

**Vote: 5 yes 0 no 0 abs**

**17. Nominations**

**➤ Fall Coaches**

<b>Rick Willigar</b>	<b>Boys A Basketball Coach</b>	<b>\$1,150.00</b>
<b>Lisa Gagnon</b>	<b>Boys B Basketball Coach</b>	<b>\$1,150.00</b>
<b>Kris Brackett</b>	<b>Girls A Basketball Coach</b>	<b>\$1,150.00</b>
<b>Stacie Smith</b>	<b>Girls B Basketball Coach</b>	<b>\$1,150.00</b>
<b>Crystal Brown</b>	<b>Cheerleading Coach</b>	<b>\$750.00</b>

A motion was made by Gene LaPorte and seconded by Darrell Lyons, to approve the above nominations with a stipend according to the contract.

**Discussion:**

None

**Vote: 5 yes 0 no 0 abs**

**➤ Ed Tech II position**

A motion was made by Gene LaPorte and seconded by Bruce Cox to approve the nomination of Patricia Perz for the Ed Tech II position for the 2017-2018 school year.

**Discussion:**