

REGION TWO SCHOOL of APPLIED TECHNOLOGY
COOPERATIVE BOARD MEETING

August 6, 2020
5:00 P.M. ZOOM

MINUTES

1. **Declaration of Quorum:** Yes – 9 members present.
2. **Acceptance of the minutes:** It was moved by Ellen Askren and seconded by Laura Farnsworth to accept the June 16, 2020 and July 7, 2020 minutes. The vote was unanimous.
3. **Public comment:** Bo Zabierek requested permission to address item 7 on behalf of the Region Two union.
4. **Adjustments to Agenda:** None
5. **Election of Board Chair and Vice Chair:** Nominations for the FY21 cooperative board were requested by Director Dave Keaton. Laura Farnsworth was nominated to continue as Cooperative Board Chair. It was moved by Ellen Askren and seconded by Clarissa Porter to approve Laura Farnsworth as Cooperative board Chair. The vote was unanimous. Ellen Askren was nominated to fill the Cooperative Board Vice Chair. It was moved by Laura Farnsworth and seconded by Fred Grant to approve Ellen Askren as Cooperative board Vice Chair. The vote was unanimous.
6. **Region Two opening school plan:** (attachment) Mr. Keaton reviewed the plan for reopening school. The plan addressed calendar adjustments to align with most of the sending schools. a) Region Two will host staff workshop days on Monday Aug 31 – Wednesday Sept. 2. b) First student day will begin Thursday Sept 3, 2020 c) Student instruction will end at 12:15 (normal time is 1:00). Student busing will provide dedicated busing for Katahdin, SACS and East Grand students. Students will be encouraged to self-transport. Student's will be asked to self-check for Covid related symptoms prior to arriving at Region Two. Students will be required to wear masked and social distance while at Region Two. Culinary Arts dining room will be used as isolation area if a student develops symptoms while at Region Two. Intro to Medical instructor will make initial medical assessments. If Region Two staff or students test positive for Covid, the school will move to remote learning for a duration of that week and will reopen based on Maine CDC recommendations. OneCallNow phone notification, Region Two web and social media site and local news outlets will be used to notify students, staff, and parents of changes in our schedule. Region Two staff will pick up student lunches at RSU 29. Lunches will be distributed and consumed within students' program area. Common shop tools will be sanitized daily. Region Two school

and Culinary Arts restaurant will be closed until further notice. This plan will be revised as Maine CDC and Maine DOE guidelines dictate.

7. **Region Two EMT Program:** Aroostook EMS has notified Region Two that they will not be able to provide an instructor or facility for the FY21 school year. The state has been notified of the one-year suspension. It was moved by Larry Greenlaw and seconded by Jennifer Johnston to suspend the EMT program for one school year. The vote was unanimous.

8. **Directors Report:**
 - a. **Snow removal bid:** An advertisement will be placed seeking multi-year bids for snow removal.
 - b. **Melmac Update** – Student call back day occurred on July 15th. Staff participated in reaching out to recent graduates about current and future plans. Melmac coach Cliff McHatten was on site to talk with staff. A luncheon was provided for the staff.
 - c. **Fund Raising approval** – Mr. Keaton requested board approval for students to participate in fund raising events during the FY21 school year. Funds would help NTHS, Skills and Law enforcement organizations. It was moved by Fred Grant and seconded by Ed McGillicuddy to allow fund raising during the FY21 school year. The vote was unanimous.
 - d. **Enrollment projections** – (attachment) Region Two currently has 226 enrollments. 28 - 9th graders, 55 – 10th graders, 67- 11th graders and 76 – 12th graders. There are 4 EMT students remain that will be transitioning into another program. Priority is given to 11th and 12th grade placement.
 - e. **Other:** Bo Zabierek addressed the Region Two union’s concern regarding EMT instruction being provided via contracted services. He tabled his comments due to the approval of a one-year suspension of program. Bo also updated the board on Melmac. Rachael Upton will be the grant lead for FY21.
Fred Grant requested that attachments from meeting be sent to members for review. Mr. Grant also inquired about new hires since last meeting. Mr. Keaton stated the Joe Schneider has been hired as Region Two Facility Supervisor.

9. **Adjournment:** It was moved by Fred Grant and seconded by Ellen Askren to adjourn the meeting at 5:54 p.m.

10. **Next meeting** – September 15, 2020

David Keaton

David Keaton, Director
Region Two School of Applied Technology

ATTENDANCE

Ellen Askren	RSU # 29
Laura Farnsworth	RSU # 50
Larry Greenlaw	RSU # 50
Fred Grant	RSU # 29
Jeannie Tapley	RSU # 29
Jennifer Johnston	RSU # 29
Ed McGillicuddy	RSU # 70
Clarissa Porter	RSU # 70
Scott White	RSU # 29
Janice Good, Business Manager	Region Two
David Keaton, Director	Region Two