

## REGION TWO SCHOOL OF APPLIED TECHNOLOGY

### COOPERATIVE BOARD MEETING

April 12, 2022

6:00 P.M.

#### MINUTES

1. **Pledge of Allegiance.**
2. **Declaration of Quorum:** Yes – 7 members present.
3. **Acceptance of the Minutes:** It was moved by Stephen Porter and seconded by Sue McLaughlin to accept the minutes from March 15, 2022. The vote was unanimous.
4. **Adjustments to the agenda:** Yes. Remove # 12. It was moved by Mark Ganzel and seconded by Sue McLaughlin to adjust agenda. The vote was unanimous.
5. **Public Comment:** None
6. **MELMAC Update:** In person college tours were taken at NMCC, UMF, WCCC, Husson Univ. and EMCC this month. ZOOM Sessions were held with Wyoming Tech and BWI. MELMAC will be awarding a \$2,000.00 scholarship to a Region Two School student again this year. Region Two will also receive a \$2,000.00 donation from Town Fair Tire. This donations will be divided into four \$500.00 scholarships. On April 30th Melmac will be hosting their annual conference in Lewiston. Region Two's Auto Collision student and 2022 Student of the Year T.J. Fitzpatrick will recognized at the conference . The Melmac grant will not be renewed in 2023. Due to the limitation surrounding COVID, Melmac has granted an additional year of mentoring and time to expense remaining grant funds.
7. **Skills USA competition** – On March 18th 16 students competed in various Skills USA competitions in Bangor. Region Two students earned 6 Bronze, 2 silver and 1 gold medals. This years closing ceremonies were held at the individual schools.
8. **Region Two Draft Calendar** – Though the FY23 calendar was approved at the March board meeting, additional dissimilar days were discovered. It was moved by Sue McLaughlin and seconded by Stephen Porter to approve the revised FY23 calendar. The vote was unanimous.
9. **Budget:** The Adult Education budget of \$59,611.00 was presented to the board. The overall increase for FY23 is \$1,769.00. Adult Ed is partially fund locally. It was moved by Stephen Porter and seconded by Sue McLaughlin to approve the FY23 Adult Education Budget. The vote was unanimous. The Region Two FY23 budget was presented at \$2,075,107.44 which is a 2% increase. This budget is state funded with zero local fund assessment. It was moved by Scott White and seconded by Stephen Porter to approve the FY23 Region Two Budget. The vote was unanimous.

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10. **Contracts:** Mrs. London has been give a 10 day notice to meet with union representative and members regarding contract renewals. The meeting is scheduled for April 15th. A special board meeting will be held following the April 15th union meeting.

11. **Program Update & Enrollment:** Region Two currently does not have room to house additional programs. Mrs. London has taken a tour and received property inspection report of the Houlton Armory. The building may come up for sale in near future. Mrs. London has expressed interest in the property to Col. Dionne. Enrollments continue to come in. Currently 232 students are enrolled for the FY23 school year. The EMT program currently has 6 enrolled - Aroostook EMS will house and provide training to students. Outdoor Leadership and Plumbing & Heating enrollment remain low. Board discussed possible reason for low enrollment and ways to promote the programs. Supt. John Porter shared some thoughts on Region Two programs, current job market and new hiring practices being utilized by employers. He also spoke of Mark Savage at Brewer High School. Mark has a wonderful ODL program and Region Two could may want to reach out to him for guidance. 50% of SACS students attend Region Two. Students can earn many certification and skills that employers are looking for in todays job market. State of Maine Bureau of Parks and Land awarded the Forestry Program a \$50,000.00 grant. The grant plus funds in the forestry account have been used to purchase a used skidder.

12. **I move that the board enter executive session pursuant to 1 MRSA Section 405(6) to discuss a personnel matter:** Cancelled

13. **Adjournment** – It was moved by Sue McLaughlin and seconded by Stephen Porter to adjourn at 7:33 p.m. The vote was unanimous.

14. **Next Meeting** - May 10, 2022

**ATTENDANCE**

<b>Laura Farnsworth</b>	<b>RSU # 50</b>
<b>Mark Ganzel</b>	<b>RSU # 70</b>
<b>Ed McGillicuddy</b>	<b>RSU # 70</b>
<b>Sue McLaughlin</b>	<b>RSU # 29</b>
<b>Clarissa Porter</b>	<b>RSU # 70</b>
<b>Stephen Porter</b>	<b>RSU # 50</b>
<b>Scott White</b>	<b>RSU # 29</b>
<b>Jon Porter, Supt.</b>	<b>RSU # 50</b>

<b>Ammie London, Director</b>	<b>Region Two</b>
<b>Janice Good, Bus. Mgr.</b>	<b>Region Two</b>