

REGIONAL SCHOOL UNIT 40

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Board of Directors Meeting Medomak Middle School Thursday, March 20, 2025 7:00 p.m.

Meeting URL: <https://www.rsu40.org/live>

School Board Members: Julia Abernethy, Naomi Aho, Erik Amundsen, Joshua Blackman, Noah Botley, Danny Jackson, Randy Kassa, Tim McLaughlin, Leah Shipps, ~~Brooke Simmons~~, Benjamin Stickney, Julie Swindler, Nichole Taylor, Emily Trask-Eaton, Rachel Wilcox, Melvin Williams

Student Representative: Christopher Harris, Julia Hynd, Cecilia Jane (CJ) Pluecker (alternate)

Our Vision: Inspire students to achieve life-long success.

Our Mission: Graduate all students with the knowledge, skills and understandings needed for success in the 21st century.

Minutes

- I. **Call to Order:** 7:00 p.m.
 - A. Pledge of Allegiance
 - B. Declaration of Quorum: 903 of 958
 - C. Note Absences: Julia Abernethy
 - D. Additions/Adjustments to the Agenda: None
- II. **Consent Agenda** - Approve Minutes of March 6, 2025
Motion: Melvin Williams Second: Noah Botley Vote: 861-0-42
(Tim McLaughlin)
- III. **Superintendent and/or Chair Reports**
 - A. Board Chair's Report
 - B. Superintendent's Report
 - C. Business Manager's Report
 - D. Student Representative's Report
- IV. **Reports from Administrators**

V. Audience with the Public

VI. Action Items

- A. Approve MVHS overnight field trip pursuant to policy IJOA
Motion: Noah Botley Second: Rachel Wilcox Vote: 903-0-0
- B. Discuss student redistricting to address overcrowding at Miller School
Motion to move 6th grade Miller classrooms to Medomak Middle school: Julie Swindler
Second: Melvin Williams Vote: 720-73-110
(Danny Jackson)(Noah Botley, Rachel Wilcox)
- Motion to move Composite program to Union Elementary School: Julie Swindler
Second: Noah Botley Vote: 903-0-0
- Motion to invite families from Miller School to attend other elementary schools as space allows: Julie Swindler Second: Noah Botley Vote: 903-0-0
- C. Approve policy for 1st reading as recommended by the Policy Committee and pursuant to policy BG
1. IMB - Teaching About Controversial Issues
Motion: Ben Stickney Second: Naomi Aho Vote: 830-73-0
(Leah Shipp)

VII. Committee Meetings

- A. Personnel/Negotiations - March 27th @ 5:00 p.m. - Central Office
B. Policy - April 3rd @ 5:30 p.m. - Medomak Middle School

VIII. Board Meeting - April 3rd @ 7:00 p.m. - Medomak Middle School

IX. Region 8 Meeting - March 26th @ 6:00 p.m. - Mid-Coast School of Technology

- Motion to extend the meeting until done: Noah Botley
Second: Leah Shipps
Vote: 903-0-0

X. Executive Session 1 M.R.S. §405(6)(E) - Consultation with Legal Counsel

- Motion: Noah Botley Second: Melvin Williams Vote: 903-0-0
In: 8:44 Out: 8:50 Action as a result of executive session: None

XI. Executive Session 1 M.R.S. §405(6)(A) - Discussion of a personnel matter

- Motion: Noah Botley Second: Leah Shipps Vote: 903-0-0
In: 8:51 Out: 8:59 Action as a result of executive session: None

XII. Executive Session 1 M.R.S. §405(6)(E) - Consultation with Legal Counsel

- Motion: Julie Swindler Second: Noah Botley Vote: 903-0-0
In: 9:01 Out: 9:18 Action as a result of executive session: None

XIII. Executive Session 1 M.R.S. §405(6)(E) - Consultation with Legal Counsel

Motion: Noah Botley

Second: Ben Stickney

Vote: 903-0-0

In: 9:19

Out: 9:47

Action as a result of executive session: None

Motion to move all future Board meetings and committees to the Central Office with the exception of the Learning Committee

Motion: Noah Botley

Second: Rachel Wilcox

Vote: 757-146-0

XIV. Adjourn: 9:51 p.m.

All meetings of the Board, except executive sessions, will be open to the public. All actions of the Board will be taken openly. The public and district employees are encouraged to attend Board meetings. A time for comments by visitors at Board meetings will be scheduled on the Board's agenda. Public input is welcomed but the Board Chair may limit discussion.