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Dr. Thomas Ambrose, Interim Superintendent — Karen Pike, Business Manager
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Board of Directors Meeting
Central Office
Thursday, April 16, 2026
7:00 p.m.

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

School Board Members: Naomi Aho, Joshua Blackman, Richard Butler, Danny Jackson, Randy Kassa, Tim McLaughlin, Elianna Lutz, Rachael Morris, Leah Shipps, Benjamin Stickney, Nichole Taylor, Emily Trask-Eaton, Betsy Vanderploeg, Rachel Wilcox, Melvin Williams, Timothy Wood

Student Representative: Julia Hynd, Cecilia Jane (CJ) Pluecker, Elisah Stanton, (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

A. Pledge of Allegiance
B. Declaration of Quorum: 872 of 1000
C. Note Absences: Rachel Wilcox, Melvin Williams
D. Additions/Adjustments to the Agenda:
Add Action items:
D: Call and approve the warrants and notice of election for the purpose of approving the issuance of bonds or notes for minor capital project purposes.
E: Notice of Public Hearing on the issuance of bonds or notes for minor capital project purposes.

II. Consent Agenda

A. Approve Minutes - April 2, 2026
Motion: Timothy Wood Second: Tim Mclaughlin Vote: 761-0-111

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 policy for 1st reading as recommended by the Policy Committee and pursuant to policy BG
   1. KF - Community Use of School Facilities
   2. KF-E Request for Use of School Facilities Form
   3. GCSA - Employee Use of School-Issued Computer/Devices and the Internet

Motion: Rick Butler Second: Timothy Wood Vote: 872-0-0

B. Approve policy for 2nd reading as recommended by the Policy Committee and pursuant to policy BG
   1. GCFB - Recruiting and Hiring of Professional Staff

Motion: Rick Butler Second: Ben Stickney Vote: 872-0-0

C. Call and approve the warrants for the budget meeting and the budget validation referendum and authorize the notice of amounts adopted

Motion: Rick Butler Second: Ben Stickney Vote: 872-0-0

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Motion: Rick Butler Second: Timothy Wood Vote: 872-0-0

E. Notice of Public Hearing on the issuance of bonds or notes for minor capital project purposes.

Motion: Rick Butler Second: Timothy Wood Vote: 872-0-0

VII. Executive Session 1 M.R.S. §405(6)(D) - Negotiations with Support Staff

Motion: Ben Stickney Second: Tim McLaughlin Vote: 872-0-0
In: 7:38 Out: 7:47
Action as a result of the executive session: none

VIII. Committee Meetings

A. Policy - May 7th @ 5:30 p.m. - Central Office

IX. District Budget Meeting - May 5th @ 6:30 p.m. - MVHS Auditorium

X. Board Meeting - May 7th @ 7:00 p.m. - Central Office

XI. Region 8 Meeting - April 29th @ 6:00 p.m. - Mid-Coast School of Technology

XII. Adjourn: 7:50

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.