

REGION 8 COOPERATIVE BOARD MEETING November 17, 2021

The regularly scheduled meeting of the Region 8 Cooperative Board was held on November 17, 2021

Those in attendance were:

CSD	Tori Manzi, Bob Duke, Diego Gutierrez*	(69.62/ea.)
Islesboro		(11.94)
RSU 13	Quixada Moore-Vissing, Bill Pearce, Joe Steinberger	(77.82/ea.)
SAD 40	Danny Jackson, Seth Hall, Randy Kassa, Matthew Speno	(77.89/ea.)
SAD 7	Jerry White	(7.49)
SAD 8		(24.58)
St. George		(54.68)

Bobby Deetjen, Director; Sherry Moody, Business Mgr.; Scott Browning, Asst Director; Kristy Hastings, Student Services Coord.; Danica Wooster, Instructor

*Attended via Zoom

Absent – Nakomis Nelson, Alane Kennedy, Marcus Mrowka, Yvonne Thomas, Loren Andrews

Bob Duke, Chair, opened the regular meeting at 7:01 P.M. **Total weighted votes: 761.36**

PUBLIC COMMENT – None

ADJUSTMENTS – Remove audit report and add report from Curriculum Committee

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MOTION by Jackson, seconded by Hall, to approve the minutes of the regular October 27th board meeting

Motion approved

Total weighted votes: 761.36

Andrews(77.82): Absent	Duke(69.62): Yes	Gutierrez(69.62): Yes
Hall(77.89): Yes	Jackson(77.89): Yes	Kassa(77.89): Yes
Kennedy(54.68): Absent	Manzi(69.61): Yes	Moore-Vissing(77.82): Yes
Mrowka(69.62): Absent	Nelson(11.94): Absent	Pearce(77.82): Yes
Speno(77.89): Yes	Steinberger(77.82): Yes	Thomas(24.58): Absent
White(7.49): Yes		

AUTO COLLISION PROGRAM REVIEW

Danica Wooster, Auto Collision instructor, presented information about her program to the Board. She reviewed what her students learn about including refinishing and painting, non-structural repair, vehicle construction, safety systems, estimating, detailing and chemistry of paint. Danica showed the board some of her Instagram photos of students working in the program. I-Car is the education system that she uses in Auto Collision. The curriculum maintains a program standard and is the same as professional certification courses. Each student has their own I-Car account and they may keep this account throughout their career if they remain in the industry. Students may earn certifications in I-Car as well as S/P2 safety courses. A student can earn eight to ten certificates in the Auto Collision program. Post-secondary opportunities are available at Northern Maine Community College (Presque Isle), WyoTech and Universal Technical Institute. Potential careers are far reaching and include Estimator, Shop Manager, Accident Reconstruction, Fabrication Specialist, Insurance Appraiser and many more. Former students work locally at Fisher, Shepards, Lyman Morse and other local autobody shops. Danica presented a video from a former student, Liza Bell, who attended Mid-Coast then went on to NMCC and

is currently employed in a southern Maine autobody shop as an Assistant Manager. Several students have also gone on to open their own autobody shops.

OVERNIGHT TRIP REQUEST

MOTION by Jackson, seconded by Manzi, to approve the Outdoor Leadership overnight trip request to Washington County Community College

Joe questioned the policy on having to request overnight trips to the board.

Motion approved

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Kennedy(54.68): Absent	Manzi(69.61): Yes	Moore-Vissing(77.82): Yes
Mrowka(69.62): Absent	Nelson(11.94): Absent	Pearce(77.82): Yes
Speno(77.89): Yes	Steinberger(77.82): Yes	Thomas(24.58): Absent
White(7.49): Yes		

COMMITTEE REPORTS

FINANCE

Warrants and Budget

Matt reported the committee met and reviewed the warrants for November and the October 31st financial report.

MOTION by Speno, seconded by Jackson, to accept and approve the warrants for November and the budget report for October.

Motion approved

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Mrowka(69.62): Absent	Nelson(11.94): Absent	Pearce(77.82): Yes
Speno(77.89): Yes	Steinberger(77.82): Yes	Thomas(24.58): Absent
White(7.49): Yes		

POLICY COMMITTEE

MOTION by Pearce, seconded by Jackson, to approve second reading of Policy BCB – Board Member Conflict of Interest (Revised), Policy BCC – Nepotism (Revised), Policy GBGB – Workplace Bullying (New), Policy JKAA – Use of Physical Restraint and Seclusion (Revised), and JKAA-R – Procedures on Physical Restraint and Seclusion (Revised)

Quixada thanked the administration for the revision to the Physical Restraints and Seclusion policy.

Motion approved

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Bill discussed the census information with the board. Tori advised that the board may want to discuss reducing the size of the board from 16 to 13 members. She would like the board to discuss with our sending boards to get feedback. The board discussed the concept in general. Danny asked if we have to make a change this year or next. Bob would prefer to make a decision in the next month or so. He would like to put on the agenda for our next board meeting. The board agreed.

PERSONNEL COMMITTEE

Tori reported the committee met and reviewed two job descriptions. There are several changes to the job descriptions so the committee is sending back to the Administration for changes and will bring to the board next month. The committee discussed the Juneteenth Holiday – a new federal holiday on June 19th. The committee recognizes the holiday and will do a letter to the Association adding the holiday. The committee talked to Bobby about adding a lunchroom monitor position for next year. The job would be a school year position for two hours per day.

CURRICULUM COMMITTEE

Seth reported the committee met and spoke to Charles Butler, Culinary teacher, and Bobby about rubrics that will be presented to the board next month. Seth is hoping the final version will be ready for board approval in January or February.

Seth also requested that the Facilities Committee meet and discuss some issues surrounding the solar panels and the school’s electricity bill.

CHAIR UPDATE

Jerry reported he attended the National Rural Educators Association meeting last week. He encouraged staff to attend and present at next year’s NREA conference in Green Bay, Wisconsin.

DIRECTOR UPDATE

Bobby reported we just ended the first quarter. We are exploring the apprenticeship model with the Department of Education and Department of Labor. We have received a grant from the DOT for new flashing school zone lights. The lights will arrive in April. He spoke to Shawn Carlson, Principal at Camden Hills, about a recent accreditation and their relationship with Mid-Coast. The accreditation committee was impressed. We are wrapping up budget meetings with staff. Bobby asked teachers to reach out to businesses nationally and there have been several amazing virtual tours. Our Baking and Pastry teacher, Shelby Stevens, set up two tours with companies in Boston (commercial bakery) and Detroit (small bakery). Kristy Hastings also set up a tour with Stewart Haas Racing. Danny told the board that the article about Shelby is on both Village Soup and Pen Bay Pilot websites. Danica has also set up a virtual meeting with Bad Chad.

ADJOURNMENT

Bob declared the meeting adjourned at 8:21 PM.

Next Board Meeting: December 15, 2021

Robert Deetjen, Board Secretary