

**Regional Planning Committee
Minutes November 08, 2007
7:00 P.M.**

Members Present:

David Galli, School Board Saco	Sharri MacDonald School Board OOB	Alan Cartwright, Resident Saco
Peter Flaherty, Resident OOB	Millie Tuttle, School Board Dayton	Paul Kelly, Finance TA
Gary Curtis, Resident OOB, Alt.	Roxanne Frenette, Town Council OOB	Sheila Dube, Resident Dayton
Eric Mathews, Supt. OOB		

A meeting of the Regional Planning Committee was held on Thursday, November 08, 2007 at Saco City Hall.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited

Approval of Minutes dated October 24, 2007

A motion to approve the minutes dated October 24, 2007 was made by Alan Cartwright and seconded by Roxanne Frenette, All in favor.

Correspondence:

Lisa Parker reported on the visit with Jim Rier from Augusta. The template that Lisa created was on target. There will be 2 emergency bills in December. These bills will pertain to schools that are Minimum Rate Receivers and also address a different allocation and percentage of local tax dollars.

Information was provided for the financial savings at this point, pending legislation:

Savings:	\$8,000.00	Saco
	\$12,000.00	Dayton
	\$ 300,000.00	Old Orchard Beach

All RSU's need to submit a partial plan by December 1, 2007 for Legislative votes.

If for some reason the two bills don't pass all units will have to go with the plan submitted. Plans will not be able to be revised until voter's reject.

There was a consensus among the committee that they need to continue to review ways to cut cost and what will be shared. Budgets also need additional reviews and decisions need to be made.

Superintendent and Legislature Breakfast

The intent for the breakfast was to inform the legislature on issues and accomplishments regarding consolidation.

Handouts

Handouts were given to all groups to assist with the plan and vision.

Everyone broke out into groups at 7:30pm.

Dave Galli reported on:

- A demographic map was handed out showing 6 Wards.
- 7 Member Board:
 - 6 Wards
 - 1 at large
 - approx. 4400 people per Ward

Regional Planning Committee
Minutes November 08, 2007
7:00 P.M.

Balance Approach

Rick Matthews reported on that an overall approach was to make a DVD to show communities:

- Each communities pro's and con's
- How to achieve a Balance Approach
- Show potential

A question was asked on writing the plan. Lisa Parker suggested a draft version of the plan be ready to review at the November 28th meeting.

All Boards should plan a meeting the last week of November to approve the submission of a partial plan that will be submitted December 1, 2007.

There was a discussion on bringing all the information that the groups have done into one template so the RPC can review and adjust before it becomes part of the plan. Dave Galli stated he would start work on the draft version.

A motion was made by Alan Cartwright and seconded by Roxanne Frenette. All in favor.

Adjournment

Adjourned 8:35

Meetings Scheduled

Wednesday – November 28, 2007

Thursday – November 29, 2007 – if needed

Minutes prepared by:

Respectfully submitted by:

Lynn Ouellette, Transcriber

Michael Lafortune, Superintendent