

**Regional Planning Committee
Minutes December 19, 2007
7:00 P.M.**

Members Present:

David Galli, School Board Saco Michael Lafortune, Supt. Saco/Dayton
Peter Flaherty, Resident OOB Millie Tuttle, School Board Dayton
Gary Curtis, Resident OOB, Alt. Kay Dutton, School Board OOB
Eric Mathews, Supt. OOB

A meeting of the Regional Planning Committee was held on Wednesday, December 19, 2007 at Saco City Hall.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited

Approval of Minutes dated November 28, 2007

A motion to approve the minutes dated November 28, 2007 was made, Minutes were approved unanimously.

State Response to Partial Plan

A discussion took place referencing the State's response.

There was also a question on #2 and #3 from the State response referencing the voting method and the link provided to review information and examples available.

The committee discussed question #12 from the State's response referring to each school unit's plan to provide an estimate of the cost savings to be achieved by the formation of a regional school unit and how these savings will be achieved in accordance with 20-A MRSA 1461(3)(A)(12) and in sufficient detail to provide clear direction for the new regional school unit. The State provided a link for a 'model for budgeting for system administration'.

General Questions

Question: Will new budget cuts affect the new financial formula for the State?

Question: Can current Board people be on new RSU Board so that the committee can have transition experience?

Response: To be discussed with Legal.

February 1 Deadline

Superintendent Lafortune and Superintendent Rick Matthews will draft a letter responding to the February 1, 2008 deadline.

Examples of Completed Plans

MMA has examples of completed plans that the committee may want to review.

Adjournment

Adjourned 8:00 PM

Next Meeting

Thursday – January 10, 2008 @ 7:00 PM

The committee will break into groups and keep working on each area.

Minutes prepared by:

Respectfully submitted by:

Lynn Ouellette, Transcriber

Michael Lafortune, Superintendent