1. Call to Order

The Chair called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM. Flag Salute followed.

2. Good News and Recognitions

Canaan Elementary School 3rd Grade students and Teachers, Lauren Taylor and Jessica Fitzgerald, along with Music Teacher Becky Eldridge and Art Teacher Karen LaForgia, presented to the Board on their Puppet Show project. The project incorporated various standards, including literacy, art and music.

3. Approval of the Minutes – 5/2/19

ON A MOTION BY Richard Irwin, seconded by Theresa Howard my Rouse, the Board voted to approve the minutes of the Board of Directors’ meeting of 5/2/19, into the public record. (672 yes)

4. Communications

a. Letters

The Superintendent acknowledged and accepted a letter of resignation from Rose Staton, Grade 6 Teacher at Skowhegan Area Middle School, effective June 2019.

The Superintendent acknowledged and accepted a letter of resignation from Sara Nadeau, Spanish Teacher at Skowhegan Area High School, effective June 2019.
b. **School Personnel**

There were no school personnel who wished to speak.

c. **Visitors**

Two visitors shared their views on various district-related matters.

5. **Committee Reports**

There were no committee meeting minutes to report on.

6. **Superintendent’s Report**

a. **Vacancies, nominations, recommendations**

**ON A MOTION BY Jennifer Poirier, seconded by Jean Franklin, the Board voted to approve nominations page 1, 2 and 3.** (672 yes)

b. **Report on Assessments Payments to Date**

The Superintendent shared that as of May 16, 2019, the towns of Canaan, Norridgewock, Skowhegan and Smithfield paid April assessments. Mercer and Cornville were outstanding for April and May. May assessments are due on the 20th.

c. **2019-2020 Budget Updates**

The Superintendent reported on the following:
- Attended the Skowhegan Selectmen’s meeting on May 14th to share information on the 2019-2020 proposed budget. Will meet with Smithfield Selectmen on May 21st.
- Current projections are on track for this year’s budget.
- Workers’ Comp rates have been set and although they were 1.56 above the state average comp rate, it has dropped to 1.33 this past year.
  This will result in a reduced Workers Comp bill this coming year. Work to reduce these rates continue.

d. **Other**

- Enrollment report was shared. Current enrollment as of 5/16/19 was 2,444 (2,444 last report).
- District Budget Meeting is set for May 20th at 7pm at High School.
- Academic Awards Assembly is set for May 1st at 7pm
- Military Recognitions Assembly is set for May 23rd at 9:45 am
- SCTC Final Awards Assembly is set for May 23rd at 6pm
- Support Services Committee will meet on May 30th at 6:30pm at the Superintendent’s Office.
- Educational Policy/Program Committee will meet on June 4th at 6pm at the Superintendent’s Office.
- Graduation is set for 9th at 1pm
- District Budget Validation Referendum will be held in each town on June 11th.

8. **Assistant Superintendent and Support Services Manager**

The Assistant Superintendent shared the following:
- District average for ELA, Math and Science is up 2.2 overall from last year.
  SAT’s comparable with area schools.
- Shared various activities taking place in schools, including the High School and
  SCTC receiving a $60,000 grant through the John T. Gorman Foundation to
  provide new options for kids, CDL course and onsite opportunities to
  participate in welding program off-site.

The Support Services Manager shared that oil and diesel prices are locked in for
next year, with heating oil up 3¢ per gallon and diesel down 2¢ per gallon.

9. **Old and Unfinished Business**

There was no discussion.

10. **Introduction of New Business**

There was no discussion.

11. **Adjournment**

The Board adjourned at 7:48 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Brent H. Colbry, Superintendent of Schools