



School Construction Committee
Maine State Board of Education
Minutes of the October 3rd, 2023 Meeting

The School Construction Committee met via Zoom.

COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT: Fern Desjardins (Chair), Kristin Bishop, Edmond Morin

OTHERS PRESENT:

Sandra Bourget, Secretary Specialist, Maine Department of Education
Scott Brown, Director of School Facilities, Maine Department of Education
Valerie Chiang, Senior Construction Coordinator, Maine Department of Education
Laura Cyr, Legislative and Constituent Specialist, Maine Department of Education
Shawn Knox, RSU 53/MSAD 53, Director of Operations

Chair Desjardins called the meeting to order at 9:01 a.m.

Chair Desjardins introduced the only item on the agenda, Chapter 61 Review. She briefly reviewed the status of the process and the potential timeline through legislative approval. The Committee then discussed specific sections of the Chapter 61 rule including Definitions, Moveable Equipment, Time Limitation requirements, Project Management, references to the Bureau of General Services, the Emergency Projects provision, Application eligibility, and several miscellaneous revisions and edits. Desjardins asked Committee members and the Department staff to provide documentation of the proposed changes to Laura Cyr for incorporation into the rule draft.

Desjardins adjourned the meeting at 10:02 a.m.

The next regular meeting of the Committee will be October 31, 2023 at 9:00 a.m. in Room 500.