



# Maine Academy of Natural Sciences

## Minutes

### MeANS' Board Meeting

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#### Date and Time

Thursday January 16, 2025 at 4:30 PM

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#### Directors Present

A. Perkins, E. Brown (remote), G. Bazakas, K. Patnode, M. Callan, M. Harris, R. Dodge, S. Beaulieu

#### Directors Absent

D. Gram, L. Karter, W. King

#### Guests Present

A. Boudreau, A. Hyde, Danni Best, E. Coleman, E. Pariser, P. Henyan

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### I. Opening Items

#### A. Call the Meeting to Order

R. Dodge called a meeting of the board of directors of Maine Academy of Natural Sciences to order on Thursday Jan 16, 2025 at 4:37 PM.

#### B. Record Attendance

#### C. Additions/Adjustments to the Agenda

#### D. Public Comment

## **E. Staff/Student Presentations**

Hajar Al-Amiri and Alicia Reynolds.

- The Can We? Project: An experiment in remaking democracy.
- Conference at the Augusta Civic Center, December 2024.
- 1 of 15 schools in the state participating.
- Workshop 1: Local Community Issues.
- Workshop 2: Maine Political Issues.

## **II. Consent Agenda (action requested by Approval of Consent Agenda)**

### **A. Approve Minutes from 11.14.24 Meeting**

A. Perkins made a motion to approve the minutes from MeANS' Board Meeting on 11-14-24.

M. Harris seconded the motion.

The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

### **B. Committee Reports**

## **III. Information Sharing**

### **A. Q1 Financial Statements**

Finance committee can add and subtract from the endowment vs. needing Board approval for each action.

### **B. Co-Leader (Head of School) Reports**

### **C. Overview of December 9, 2024 Meeting with the Maine Charter School Commission**

## **IV. Closing Items**

### **A. Adjourn Meeting**

There being no further business to be transacted, and upon motion duly made, seconded and approved, the meeting was adjourned at 6:30 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,  
R. Dodge