

REGIONAL SCHOOL UNIT NO. 18

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VOTING METHOD

Voting shall be by show of hands ordinarily. Voting shall be done by roll call at the direction of the presiding officer, or at the request of any Board member. When voting by roll call, the names of the members shall be called alphabetically, and each member shall respond "Yes" or "No" or "Not Voting". The roll call vote shall be recorded in the minutes.

Maine public officials are obliged to vote openly; thus, secret ballots are not to be used by the School Unit.

Except in cases of unanimous votes, the votes of all members shall be recorded in the minutes.

All motions shall be carried by a majority of the members present and voting, weighted according to the RSU Plan approved by the voters, except motions to adjourn to executive session, which shall require the vote of 3/5 of the members present and voting. RSU No. 18 utilizes the weighted vote methodology as listed below.

Municipality	Population	# of Board Members	Votes per Member	Total Vote %
1. Belgrade	3209	2	170/2=85	17.0%
2. China	4408	2	233/2=117	23.3%
3. Oakland	6202	3	328/3=109	32.8%
4. Rome	1101	1	58	5.8%
5. Sidney	3966	2	210/2=105	21.0%
TOTALS	18886	10	1000	100.0%

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