



**MINUTES of the “49th District School Committee”
Special 2014 Meeting**

Membership: Francis J. Fistori, Avon; Secretary Germano John Silveira, Braintree;
Chairman Aidan G. Maguire, Jr. Canton, Joseph A. Pascarella Dedham;
Mr. Robert A. McNeil, Holbrook; Mr. Fess Joyce, Milton; Mr. Kevin L. Connolly, Norwood;
Mrs. Marybeth Nearen, Randolph and Vice-Chairman Charles W. Flahive, Westwood.

Special Meeting, Tuesday, February 25, 2014
And FY15 Budget Public Hearing

Conducted in the William T. Buckley District School Committee Meeting Room, #207A

Prior to the Special Meeting, subcommittees conducted meetings and recommendations will be forthcoming, resulting from their conduct. The subcommittees were:

- **Policy (Monday, February 24, 2014).**
- **Warrant.**

(Subcommittee Meetings were conducted in Room 402.)

The Blue Hills Regional Vocational School **Forty-Ninth District School Committee** Special Meeting was called to order at **7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, February 25, 2014** at the Blue Hills Regional Vocational Technical School, William T. Buckley District School Committee Board Room 207A, 800 Randolph Street, Canton, Massachusetts. Chairman Aidan G. Maguire, Jr., presided.

1. ROLL CALL and PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE *

MEMBERS PRESENT:	Messrs. Connolly, Fistori, Joyce, Maguire, Mrs. Nearen and Mr. and Silveira
MEMBERS ABSENT:	Messrs. Flahive, McNeil and Pascarella
OTHERS PRESENT:	Ms. Jessica C. Leigh, Student Representative Mr. Charles J. Gisondi, District Treasurer Mr. James P. Quaglia, Superintendent-Director Mr. David W. Proule, Finance Manager Ms. Jill Rossetti, Director of Academics Mr. Brian Gearty, BHEA President, Teacher Mr. Joseph Greeley, Town of Norwood Finance Commission

*On occasion, individual(s) attending the meeting do not sign the attendance sheet.

Chairman Aidan G. Maguire, Jr., announced that all business conducted at this meeting complies with the revised Open Meeting Law in effect, as of July 1, 2010.

The primary focus of this particular meeting will be the District’s FY15 Maintenance and Operation Budget Public Hearing.

2. Student Representative Report - School Year 2013-14 Student Representative Jessica Caroline Leigh

Chairman Maguire recognized Student Representative Jessica Caroline Leigh

Jessica reported:

- **Girls Varsity Basketball Warriors** continue winning games on their way to the tournament.

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- **“Can/Food Drive”** – The Braintree Food Bank will benefit from this year’s drive. An added feature of this year’s drive is: donations will be placed in Mr. Cavanaugh’s office with the intent of forcing him into the “hall” to conduct his business with his office being “filled with donations”. This drive finalizes on March 7th.
- **“Semi Formal”** – The Elks in Randolph will be the site for this year’s semiformal on March 28th.
- **“Talent Show”** – Students are in the process of planning a talent show to demonstrate the multi talents of the Blue Hills Students. More information will be forthcoming.

3. PUBLIC HEARING – FY15 BUDGET – Complete review of FY15 Proposed Budget, with questions and answers from all parties of interest.

Chairman Maguire called the Public Hearing to order and recognized Superintendent-Director James P. Quaglia. Mr. Quaglia proceeded to present a powerful PowerPoint review of the FY15 Budget, thoroughly prepared and executed (Presentation on file.). This presentation reviewed all the aspects of the Tentative FY15 Budget. Following the presentation, comments, questions and answers were addressed. Mr. Joseph Greeley, a resident of the Town of Norwood and member of its Finance Commission, spoke in favor of the presentation of the budget stating, “The presentation was very easy to follow.” There was discussion on the role of the Stabilization Funds. Mr. Greeley stated, “It is important for us to know why there is a 2.9% increase with the overall budget.”

NOTE: →The Total Proposed FY15 Budget is \$18,415,535

4. Public Comment – Other than Mr. Greeley, none.

5. Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes - Minutes of the Tuesday, February 11, 2014 Special Meeting were received by the Committee. Chairman Maguire accepted a motion from Member Fran Fistori to accept the minutes as presented. Motion was seconded by Member Fess Joyce, Motion was taken to a vote and it was **UNANIMOUSLY**

VOTED: to accept the minutes of the Tuesday, February 11, 2014 Special Meeting, as presented.

6. DSC Chair Report – None.

7. Administrative Reports:

7.1 Treasurer: C. Gisondi - Treasurer Charles J. Gisondi was recognized by Chairman Maguire following presentation of the FY2014 Warrant Number 13 (Vouchers 1047-1048) in the amount of \$272,300.22, dated February 25, 2014. All members received a copy of the backup documents for this Warrant, prior to this meeting. The Warrant Subcommittee recommended approval.

7.1.1 Warrant Approval: Chairman Maguire moved to the approval of Warrant #13. Member Marybeth Nearen moved to approve FY2014 Warrant Number 13 (Vouchers 1047-1048) in the amount of \$272,300.22, dated February 25, 2014. Motion was seconded by Member Kevin L. Connolly. Motion to approve was taken FY2014 Warrant Number 13 (Vouchers 1047-1048) in the amount of \$272,300.22, dated February 25, 2014.to a vote and it was **UNANIMOUSLY**

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VOTED: to approve FY2014 Warrant Number 13 (Vouchers 1047-1048) in the amount of \$272,300.22, dated February 25, 2014.

7.2 Business Manager: D. Proule – No report.

7.3 Assistant Superintendent-Principal – M. Barrett – Absent.

7.4 Superintendent/Director: J. Quaglia – Chairman Maguire recognized Superintendent-Director James P. Quaglia.

Mr. Quaglia advised the Committee that Facility Director Gene Mastro is attending a meeting of the Town of Canton Conservation Commission to discuss upcoming infrastructure improvement projects. This meeting was conducted on a “good-neighbor basis” and not mandatory. Mr. Mastro will report back to Mr. Quaglia on the meeting impact.

8. Unfinished Business and New Business – None.

9. DSC Subcommittee Reports (as needed)

➤ Warrant Subcommittee: Recommended the approval of this evening’s warrant.

➤ Policy Subcommittee: Subcommittee Chairman Nearen stated that a meeting was conducted last night (2/24/14) with Attorney Paige Tobin. The completed Policy Book will be ready for distribution to the Committee via book and CD the in April.

10. Discussion or Suggestions for the Good of the District, Including newsworthy educational items -> None.

11. It was determined that an executive session was unnecessary.

12. **Adjournment** – Following conclusion of all District School Committee’s open meeting and executive session. Chairman Maguire accepted a motion from Member Fess Joyce and seconded by Member Fran Fistori to close the Regular Session Meeting of the District School Committee.

It was **unanimously**:

VOTED: to adjourn the Special Meeting, with all regular business concluded, at **8:10 p.m.**

The Committee’s **next meeting** will be a **Regular Schedule Meeting** conducted in the **William T. Buckley District School Committee Board Room (#207A), on Tuesday, March 4, 2014 at 7:00 p.m.,** unless otherwise posted.

Minutes Approved:

Minutes submitted by:

Germano John Silveira, Secretary

Joanne Kuzborski, Recording Secretary