



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

Membership: Mr. Francis J. Fistori, Avon; Secretary Germano John Silveira, Braintree;
Chairman Aidan G. Maguire, Jr. Canton, Mr. 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.
Student Representative: Jessica Caroline Leigh

Tuesday, May 6, 2014

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

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

- Personnel & Negotiation (5.6.14 @ 5 p.m.)
- Warrant (5.6.14 @ 6:30 p.m.)

(Subcommittee Meetings were conducted in Room 402.)

The Blue Hills Regional Vocational School **Forty-Ninth District School Committee Regular Schedule Meeting** was called to order at **7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, May 6, 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, Flahive, Joyce, Maguire, McNeil, Mrs. Nearen
Mr. Pascarella

MEMBERS ABSENT: Members Joyce and Silveira were attending Town Meetings to advocate
For the FY15 Budget approval, along with Administrators Tom Cavanaugh and David Proule
Mr. McNeil was absent.

OTHERS PRESENT: Mr. Charles J. Gisondi, District Treasurer
Mr. James P. Quaglia, Superintendent-Director
Mr. Frank Howley, Director of Vocational Programs
Mr. Brian Gearty, BHEA - Metal Fabrication Program – Teacher
Mr. Ed Catabia, Athletic Director
Ms. Caroline Dynan, BHEA
Mr. Sean Bastis, Metal Fabrication Program – Student
Mr. Jeremy Campbell, Metal Fabrication Program – Student

*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.

2. Student Representative Report – Student Jessica Caroline Leigh was unable to attend this evening’s meeting and in her place Student Council Vice President Chelsea Castillo reported in a most professional manner the following:

- **Teacher Appreciation** - Student Council is putting together Teacher Appreciation presents today and Thursday after school, and *surprising and delivering* to teachers this Friday.

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- **Prom** - Junior Senior prom was last Friday (May 2, 2014) and everybody had a fantastic time. The prom was conducted at Gillette Stadium's Putnam Room.
- **Athletic Update** - Spring sports are wrapping up their successful seasons.

3 **Public Comment** – None.

4. **Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes** - Chairman Maguire moved for the approval of the following District School Committee Meeting minutes: **Tuesday, April 15, 2014**. A motion was made by Member Marybeth Nearen to approve the minutes of the District School Committee Regular Schedule Meeting: Tuesday, April 15, 2014 Minutes, as presented. Motion was seconded by Vice Chairman Charles W. Flahive. Motion was taken to a **vote**, without discussion and it was

UNANIMOUSLY

VOTED: to approve the minutes of the District School Committee Meeting of **Tuesday, April 15, 2014**

Minutes, as presented.

5. **DSC Chair Report** – Chairman Aidan G. Maguire, Jr. addressed the Committee stating that he had attended the first sessions of the **IBB (Impact-Based Bargaining) Training**. Chairman Maguire stated that he would like to have the full committee attend the upcoming trainings on May 15th and May 27th 2014 from 5 – 9 p.m. This training will assist with the contract negotiations that will be activated shortly.

6. **Blue Hills Vocational Program Presentation** – Director of Vocational Programs Frank Howley introduced Metal Fabrication Lead Teacher, Brian Gearty. Chairman Maguire recognized and welcomed both gentlemen. Mr. Gearty introduced students: **Mr. Sean Bastis and Mr. Jeremy Campbell**. Messrs. Bastis and Campbell proceeded to review the numerous facets of their program orally, using a PowerPoint Presentation they prepared for this occasion to guide the Committee through the process of project completions. The presentation included photo examples of completed projects that were wide and varied. Following the presentation the students conducted a question and answer session with the Committee Members explaining the technical and practical applications of their skills and endeavors. Following questions and answers, Messrs. Bastis and Campbell received the praise of the Committee for the excellence of their presentation and its enthusiastic render. Director Howley stated that it is his intent to continue Student Program Presentations and demonstrate directly to the Committee the skills that are being acquired by the Blue Hills student body. Members of the District School Committee thanked Mr. Bastis and Mr. Campbell for their phenomenal presentation and their enthusiasm for their program and futures.

7. **DSC Subcommittee Reports** (as needed)

- **Warrant Subcommittee:** Subcommittee Chairman Charles W. Flahive recommended the approval of this evening's warrant (Warrant #18).
- **Personnel & Negotiation Subcommittee:** A meeting was conducted this evening before the regular meeting. Chairman Charles W. Flahive reported that the Personnel & Negotiation Subcommittee is preparing for upcoming contract negotiations that are under their authority. Attendance at the IBB training is essential for the three members of the Personnel and Negotiations Subcommittee. All union contracts expire June 30, 2014 at the end of FY14.

8. **Administrative Reports:**

8.1 **Treasurer: C. Gisondi** - Treasurer Charles J. Gisondi was recognized by Chairman Maguire following presentation of the FY2014 Warrant Number18 (Vouchers 1065-1067) in the amount of \$595,136.82, dated May 6,

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2014. All members received a copy of the backup documents for this Warrant, prior to this meeting. The Warrant Subcommittee recommended approval of the Warrant.

8.1.1 Warrant **Approval**: Chairman Maguire moved to the approval of Warrant #17. Member Marybeth Nearen moved to approve FY2014 Warrant Number18 (Vouchers 1065-1067) in the amount of \$595,136.82, dated May 6, 2014. Motion was seconded by Member Kevin L. Connolly. Motion to approve was taken .to a vote and it was **UNANIMOUSLY**

VOTED: to approve FY2014 Warrant Number18 (Vouchers 1065-1067) in the amount of \$595,136.82, dated May 6, 2014.

8.3 **Business Manager: D. Proule** – No report. Business Manager David W. Proule was attending a Braintree City Council Meeting with the FY15 Budget Presentation, along with Secretary Germano John Silveira and Dean of Students Thomas G. Cavanaugh.

8.4 **Assistant Superintendent-Principal** Michael J. Barrett – No report.

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

- **Annual Evaluation of the Superintendent-Director** – Mr. Quaglia stated that he is doing the preparation work for this evaluation which is scheduled to start shortly.
- **NEASC VISIT** – The visit is complete and Mr. Quaglia has received favorable feedback including the positive impression the committee members had with the provision of late buses for students.
- **Executive Session** – Mr. Quaglia requested an executive session.

10. **Unfinished Business and New Business** – Mr. Quaglia will work with Training Facilitator Mary Ellen Shea to set up the second day of IBB Training.

- **Curriculum & Advisory Subcommittee:** - Chairman Charles W. Flahive requests a meeting to go over curriculum, class size and schedules. This meeting will require the attendance of administrators for input. A meeting will be set. Lead Teacher Bob Foley (Construction Technology) will also attend this meeting to discuss off-site projects for School Year 2014-15.
- **Meeting Change** – It was the sense of the Committee to change the regular meeting of the DSC from Tuesday, May 20, 2012 to a Special Meeting on Wednesday, May 28, 2014 at 7 p.m. Chairman Maguire accepted a motion from Member Nearen to change the regular meeting of the DSC from Tuesday, May 20, 2012 to a Special Meeting on Wednesday, May 28, 2014 at 7 p.m. Motion was seconded by Member Fran Fistori. Motion was taken to a vote and it was UNANIMOUSLY

Voted: To approve the change of the regular meeting of the DSC from Tuesday, May 20, 2012 to a Special Meeting on Wednesday, May 28, 2014 at 7 p.m.

11. **Discussion or Suggestions for the Good of the District**, Including newsworthy educational items

- **Athletic Field Projects/Football Field:** Director of Buildings and Facilities, Gene Mastro was recognized by Chairman Maguire. Mr. Mastro advised the Committee that the bids for the football field project are going out tomorrow (5.7.14). The start of the project is anticipated to be June 15, 2014 with a target date of 9.15.14 for completion. It is the hope of Mr. Mastro that the bids will come in lower than expected. Mr. Mastro provided the

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committee with a number of items to go in the football project as add/alternates and the estimates for said items. Mr. Mastro concluded his presentation with the anticipated bids being received by the 26th of May. The Building, Facilities, Safety and Security Subcommittee will meet with Mr. Mastro to discuss the bids and project status.

12. **Executive session:** Chairman Maguire moved to enter into executive session out of order beginning at **8:17 p.m.** The Chairman called **executive session** to discuss collective bargaining, strategies and/or possible litigation under Open Meeting Law, Chapter 30A, Section 21 (a) (b), 2, 3 of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts General Laws. Open meeting discussion may have a detrimental effect on the bargaining or litigating position of the public body and is subsequently declared by Chairman Maguire. It was further announced that the Committee would return to Open Session solely for the purpose of adjournment. A **roll call vote** was taken and the executive session was **unanimously approved**.

13. **Adjournment** – Following conclusion of all District School Committee's open meeting business. 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 Regular Schedule Meeting, with all regular business concluded, at **8:47 p.m.**

The Committee's **next meeting** will be a **Special Meeting, as approved by the District School Committee** conducted in the **William T. Buckley District School Committee Board Room (#207A), on Wednesday, May 28, 2014 at 7:00 p.m.**, unless otherwise posted.

Minutes Approved:

Minutes submitted by:

Germano John Silveira, Secretary

Joanne Kuzborski, Recording Secretary