



**MINUTES of the “49th District School Committee”  
Regular Schedule 2013 Meeting**

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

**The Athletic & Extracurricular Subcommittee conducted at meeting at 6 p.m., prior to this meeting.**

**Summer Schedule Meeting, Tuesday, July 23, 2013**

**First Meeting of the Newly-organized 49<sup>th</sup> District School Committee**

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

The Blue Hills Regional Vocational School **Forty-Ninth District School Committee** Summer Schedule Meeting was called to order at **7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, July 23, 2013** 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 and Messrs. and Mr. Silveira

**MEMBERS ABSENT:** Mr. Pascarella

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Mr. Charles J. Gisondi, District Treasurer  
Mr. James P. Quaglia, Superintendent-Director  
Mr. Michael J. Barrett, Assistant Superintendent-Principal  
Mr. David W. Proule, Business Manager  
Mr. Edward Catabia, Athletic Director, Coach, Teacher  
Ms. Tricia Murphy, BHEA Member - Teacher  
Mr. Bob Foley, SkillsUSA Lead Counselor and Teacher  
Ms. Judy Bass, BHR Publicist-Webmaster

Ms. Ariana Chappelle – Randolph – Blue Hills 2013 Graduate and *SkillsUSA* National Participant  
Mr. Aaron Nesselle – Randolph - Blue Hills 2013 Graduate and *SkillsUSA* National Participant  
Mr. Shawn Dryer – Randolph - Blue Hills 2013 Graduate and *SkillsUSA* National Participant  
Mrs. Chappelle – Randolph Resident

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

Chairman Aidan G. Maguire, Jr., announced that the District complies with the revised Open Meeting Law in effect, as of July 1, 2010. This meeting is being recorded in person by the recording secretary. All documents referred to within the meeting are in the Meeting-Record File. Meeting minutes were recorded electronically as well as by person.

- **New Committee Officers are:** Chairman Aidan G. Maguire, Jr.  
Vice Chairman Charles W. Flahive  
Secretary Germano John Silveira

**2. Public Comment:** None.

**3. SkillsUSA Presentation:** Chairman Maguire recognized **SkillsUSA National Bronze Medal Recipients:** Ms. Ariana Chappelle, Mr. Aaron Nesselé and Mr. Shawn Dryer. These individuals shared experiences from the *SkillsUSA* National Competition at Kansas City, MO..... Mr. Brendan Darcy was a voting delegate (Representing Blue Hills Regional Technical High School). **SkillsUSA School Advisor Robert Foley** accompanied the candidates and acted as a chaperone and

mentor, encouraging candidates to put forth their best. The three candidates agreed that this competition was a chance of a lifetime to compete with other students from all over the nation. This trio of exceptional students who studied **Engineering Technology (Teachers Dan Hamil and Michael Meyers)** and graduated in June from Blue Hills Regional Technical School won a prestigious bronze medal in Engineering Technology/Design at the 48<sup>th</sup> Annual National Leadership and Skills Conference (NLSC) held in Kansas City recently by SkillsUSA, a national organization for vocational students in high school and college.

SkillsUSA fosters good citizenship, leadership, teamwork, and excellence in all aspects of career-related responsibilities and performance. SkillsUSA competitions are held yearly at the local, state and national levels, with bronze, silver, and gold medals awarded for achievement.

The winning Blue Hills Engineering team was comprised of Aaron Nesselle (senior class valedictorian), Ariana Chappelle, and Shawn Dryer, all members of the Class of 2013 from Randolph.

Another member of the Class of 2013, Brendan Dacey of Dedham, attended as a National Voting Delegate.

The three students, along with the **SkillsUSA chapter advisor for Blue Hills, Mr. Robert Foley**, proudly presented the school with a medal that commemorates their achievement. Superintendent –Director James P. Quaglia accepted it on behalf of the school.

The NLSC, which involved some 15,000 students, teachers, and business partners, according to **SkillsUSA's** web site, took place from June 24-28, 2013. Nearly 6,000 students from across the nation vied for honors in almost 100 diverse categories such as mechatronics, commercial baking, crime scene investigation, digital cinema production, nurse assisting, and restaurant service.

Committee members asked questions about the contestants' experiences and received answers. Following conclusion of the presentation, Chairman Maguire thanked the students and their advisor and urged the recent graduates to continue their good work. All three students will be attending colleges in September. The Committee thanked the presenters for their reports and presence.

4. **Approval of Previous- Meeting Minutes** - Chairman Aidan G. Maguire, Jr. accepted motions to approve the June 18, 2013 and June 27 2013 Minutes. Motions to approve and accept the minutes were made by Secretary Germano John Silveira. Motions were seconded by Member Marybeth Nearen. Without discussion, motions were taken to votes and it was **UNANIMOUSLY**

**VOTED:** to approve the June 18 and 27 Minutes, as submitted.

5. **Student Representative Report** – School Year 2013-14 Representative will begin term at the start of school year in September 2013.

6.. **DSC Chair Report** – Chairman Maguire spoke of the upcoming MASC/MASS Conference in November 2013, urging all members to take advantage of the professional-development opportunity. "Early-Bird Registration" ends today.

Seven of the nine Committee Members were present for the Graduation 2013 ceremony.

7. **Administrative Reports:** .

7.1 **Treasurer: C. Gisondi** - Mr. Charles J. Gisondi prepared and presented the Warrant and backup information was provided, commenting that there are two warrants: One for FY13 and one for FY14.

7.1.1 → **Warrant Approval:** Chairman Maguire moved to the approval of the Warrants:

Upon motion of Secretary Germano John Silveira, to approve **FY13 Warrant Number 23 (Vouchers 1089-1092) in the amount of \$1,004,851.85.** Motion to approve was seconded by Member Kevin L. Connolly. **Motion to approve** the warrant was taken to a vote and it was **UNANIMOUSLY**

**VOTED:** to approve **FY13 Warrant Number 23 (Vouchers 1089-1092) in the amount of \$1,004,851.85.**

Upon motion of Secretary Germano John Silveira, to approve **FY14 Warrant Number 1 (Vouchers 1000-1002) in the amount of \$1,043,804.18.** Motion to approve was seconded by Member Kevin L. Connolly. **Motion to approve** the warrant was taken to a vote and it was **UNANIMOUSLY**

**VOTED:** to approve **FY14 Warrant Number 1 (Vouchers 1000-1002) in the amount of \$1,043,804.18.**

→**Update “Boosters” 501 and Blue Hills’ Foundation** – Mr. Gisondi advised the Committee that he has reviewed the records of the two non-profits that exist within the school’s umbrella and will work on compliance issues with the executives of these organizations. Additional information will be forthcoming.

7.2 **Business Manager: D. Proule.** Chairman Maguire recognized Mr. David W. Proule

**FY13 Closeout:** Business Manager David W. Proule reported that the Finance Department is working on the FY13 Closeout.

7.3 **Assistant Superintendent/Principal: M. Barrett** – Chairman Maguire recognized Mr. Michael J. Barrett. Mr. Barrett addressed the Committee on the following:

- **Athletic Department/Coaching Appointments for School Year 2013-14:** Mr. Barrett provided the Committee with pass outs that listed Athletic Department appointments, as well as 2013-14 School Year Advisor appointments and recommendations:

➤ Athletic Director and Varsity Football Head Coach: Mr. Edward Catabia, Jr.
➤ Trainer: Mr. Jamie Arnstein
➤ Football Coaches: Messrs. Michael Walsh, Edward Madden, Ryan Kiff and Joao Barbosa
➤ Boys’ Soccer Coaches: Messrs. Dan Jordan and Xavier Mahoney
➤ Girls’ Soccer: Ms. Nichole Flynn and Ms. Kacy Dotoli
➤ Volleyball: Mr. Tom McGrath and Mrs. Rebecca Ray
➤ Co-Ed Golf: Messrs. Tom Evans and Brian Gearty
➤ Cheerleading: Mrs. Kathy Manning
➤ Boys’ Basketball: Mr. Brian Gearty, Mr. James Fitzmaurice and Mr. Al Dellorco
➤ Girls’ Basketball: Mr. Tom McGrath, Ms. Nichole Flynn and Ms. Katherine Sullivan
➤ Co-Ed Swimming: Ms. Beverly Woods and Mr. Jonathan Palmer
➤ Ice Hockey: Messrs. Steve Woods and Richard Delveccio
➤ Lacrosse: Messrs. Dan Jordan and Jeremy Pandolfo

➤ Softball: Mr. Dave Joseph, Misses Heather Irber and Katherine Sullivan
➤ Boys' Track: Mr. Jonathan Palmer and Ms. E. Joyce-Grikis
➤ Girls' Track: Ms. Nichole Flynn
➤ Baseball: Messrs. Matthew Manders, Brian Gearty and Tom McGrath

2013-2014 Advisors	
Gay/Straight Alliance	Beth Roland
Math Club	Nicole Flynn
National Honor Society	Rebecca Ray
School Newspaper	Chris Deady
Skills USA	Bob Foley
Student Council Advisor/Chairperson	Stacy Hedges
Student Council Class Gr. 9	Jaclyn Feeney
Student Council Class Gr. 10	Robert Celeste
Student Council Class Gr. 11	Kacy Dotoli
Student Council Class Gr. 12	Michelle Barley
Students Against Destructive Decisions	Sarah England
Yearbook Advisor	Rebecca Ray
Multicultural Coalition	Jane O'Malley
Non-Traditional By Gender	Sarah Titus
Robotics	Mike Meyers

**7.4 Superintendent/Director James P. Quaglia** was recognized by Chairman Maguire. Mr. Quaglia addressed the Committee:

**Hiring Update** - Mr. Quaglia provided an overview of the hiring status. Mr. Quaglia expects to have almost all the positions filled by next DSC meeting and will continue his update.

New Teachers are:	
Adams, Patrice	A Special Education Teacher
Benson, Brian	A Science Teacher
Coutu, Bessie G	A Cosmetology Teacher
DiMeo, Vicki L	An English & Languages Teacher
Grant, Susan C	A Science Teacher

- **Retirement** – A recent retirement notice from **Construction Technology Instructor Richard McDonough** was announced. Superintendent-Director commented that Mr. Richard McDonough was an exceptionally great instructor and will be missed by all.
- **MASS Conference** – Last week Mr. Quaglia attended an MASS Conference last week in Mashpee and reportedly was quite pleasantly surprised and inspired by the presentation of one of the motivational speakers.

**8. DSC Business: (Unfinished and New Business)** – None.

**9. DSC Subcommittee Reports (as needed):**

- **Athletic & Extracurricular Subcommittee** – Mr. Charles W. Flahive was elected subcommittee chairman. Chairman Flahive reported that at 6 p.m. this evening the Subcommittee met with Assistant Superintendent/Principal Michael J. Barrett and Athletic Director Edward Catabia, Jr. and discussed JV and Freshmen Sports positions and their necessity. Positions are part time positions for JV and Freshmen sports (game clock/score keeper/30 second timer/site supervisor). It was the sense of the Committee that these positions are necessary.
- **Warrant Subcommittee** – Since all members are receiving electronically a full review copy of the Warrants and backup invoicing prior to the DSC meeting, it was the sense of the Committee that a Warrant Subcommittee is no longer needed. It was determined that future matters related to monies can be handled by the Finance and Administration Subcommittee. Finance Manager, David W. Proule, requested that if there are any questions on the warrant and information provided, questions should be directed to him prior the meeting, in a timely manner. Chairman Maguire accepted a motion from Member Kevin L. Connolly to dissolve the Warrant Subcommittee. Motion was seconded by Secretary Germano John Silveira. Motion was taken to a vote and it was by **MAJORITY**
  - VOTED:** to dissolve the Warrant Subcommittee, immediately.
  - (Vice-chairman Charles W. Flahive abstained from this vote. All other members present voted “yes”.)
- **Personnel & Negotiation Subcommittee:** Subcommittee Chairman Flahive requested executive session discussions as allowed via Open Meeting Law, Chapter 30A.
- **Policy** – Subcommittee Chairman Germano John Silveira reminded the Committee that Attorney Paige Tobin is overseeing the District Policy Book.

#### 10. Discussion or Suggestions for the Good of the District, Including Newsworthy Educational Items

- **“Teamwork”** – Member Marybeth Nearen presented fellow members of the Committee and Administrators present, a commemorative lapel pin dedicated to the importance of “Teamwork”.
- **Employment Handbook** – Member Marybeth Nearen continues to look for a formal “Employee Handbook” provided to all employees. There exists a faculty handbook, but no general employee handbook. This recommendation remains a work in progress.
- **Programs** – Chairman Aidan G. Maguire, Jr., and Vice Chairman Charles W. Flahive continue to lobby for additional programs introduced into the curricula; specifically “business”. Both individuals wish to see Blue Hills' students graduate with a foundation for business management along with their diplomas, especially primary accounting skills geared to business startups.
- **Culinary Arts Program** – Vice Chairman Charles W. Flahive expressed his disappointment with the Culinary Arts Program not offering its students opportunity to participate in a cafeteria environment. Superintendent-Director Quaglia stated that he would contact Ms. Kim Poliseno about the possibility of setting up internships for Culinary Arts Students to address that concern.

**11. Executive session:** Chairman Maguire moved to enter into executive session at 8:07 p.m. The Chairman moved to **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. By **UNANIMOUS Roll-Call Vote**, the Committee moved into executive session and will return to the summer-session meeting and to the meeting's Open Session, solely, for the Committee vote to adjourn.

12. **Adjournment** – Following conclusion of all District School Committee's regular meeting and executive session, Chairman Maguire accepted a motion from Member Marybeth Nearen, seconded by Member Fran Fistori to close the Regular Session Meeting of the District School Committee.

It was **unanimously**:

**VOTED:** to adjourn the Summer Schedule Meeting, with all regular business concluded, at **8:50 p.m.**

The Committee's **next meeting** will be a **Summer Session District School Committee Meeting** conducted in the William T. Buckley District School Committee Board Room 207A, at **7:00 p.m., on Tuesday, August 20, 2013, unless** otherwise posted.

Minutes Approved:

Minutes submitted by:

Germano John Silveira, Secretary

Joanne Kuzborski, Recording Secret