MINUTES of the “50th District School Committee”

Regular Schedule 2015 Meeting

Membership: Mr. Francis J. Fistori, Avon; Mr. Eric C. Erskine, Braintree;

Chairman Aidan G. Maguire, Jr. Canton; Thomas R. Polito, Jr., Dedham;

Mr. Robert A. McNeil, Holbrook; Mr. Fess Joyce, Milton; Mr. Kevin L. Connolly, Norwood;

Secretary Marybeth Nearen, Randolph and Vice-Chairman Charles W. Flahive, Westwood.

Tuesday, May 5, 2015

Prior to this Regular Schedule Meeting, subcommittee meetings were conducted. Meetings and report/recommendations will be forthcoming, resulting from its conduct. The subcommittees were:

* Personnel & Negotiation Subcommittee @ 5:30 p.m. – BHAA Union Negotiation - POSTPONED
* Warrant @ 6:30 p.m. – Review of documents of warrant documents.

(Subcommittee Meetings are conducted in Room 402.)

The Blue Hills Regional Vocational School **Fiftieth District School Committee** **Special Meeting** was called to order, promptly, at **7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, May 5, 2015** 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, with quorum met.

**NOTE**: The listings of matters are those reasonably anticipated by the Chair which may be discussed at the meeting. Not all items listed may in fact be discussed and other items not listed may also be brought up for discussion to the extent permitted by law.

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. There are occasions when attendees do not sign in. This meeting is also recorded by digital recorder and stenographer.

1. **ROLL CALL and PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE \***

**MEMBERS PRESENT**:   Messrs. Connolly, Erskine, Flahive, Maguire, Mrs. Nearen

**MEMBERS ABSENT** Messrs. Fistori, Joyce, McNeil and Polito

**OTHERS PRESENT:**  Mr. Charles J. Gisondi, District Treasurer

Mr. James P. Quaglia, Superintendent-Director

Ms. Jill M. Rossetti, Principal

Mr. Thomas G. Cavanaugh, Dean of Students

Mrs. Trish Murphy, Blue Hills Teacher

2**. Public Comments –** None.

3. **Minute Approval** – Chairman Aidan G. Maguire, Jr., moved for the approval of the Tuesday, April 7, 2015 Meeting Minutes, as submitted. Motion was made by Member Eric C. Erskine to accept the minutes, as submitted. Motion was seconded by Member Kevin L. Connolly. Motion to approve was taken to a vote and it was UNANIMOUSLY

**VOTED:** To approve the Tuesday, April 7, 2015 Meeting Minutes, as submitted.

4. **Student Representative** – No report.

**5**. **DSC Chair Report** – Chairman Aidan G. Maguire, Jr., discussed a scholarship that is presented at the Annual Awards Night to be conducted on Wednesday, May 20, 2015 at 6:30 p.m. Suggestions were made for a worthy candidate from the group of administrators present. The selection was made and Chairman Maguire will present the scholarship to the recipient.

* Art Show: Chairman Maguire sang the praises of the phenomenal exhibition of talents demonstrated at this year’s “Art Show” by the seniors of the Design and Visual Communications Program this evening. Chairman Maguire, along with other members attended this event, prior to this meeting.

7. **Subcommittee Report**s:

* **Warrant** – Subcommittee Chairman Charles W. Flahive was absent recommended approval of the warrant.
* **Personnel & Negotiation** – Tonight’s meeting was cancelled at the request of the BHAA. New meeting post will be forthcoming.

8. **Administrative Reports**:

8.1 **Treasurer:** Treasurer Charles J. Gisondi was recognized by Chairman Maguire. Mr. Gisondi requested the vote of the Committee for FY15, Warrant #19, in the amount of $524,701.21 dated May 5, 2015.

8.1.1 Chairman Maguire moved the question of the approval of the Warrant.

Member Eric Erskine moved to approve Warrant #19, in the amount of $524,701.21 dated May 5, 2015.

Motion was seconded by Member Kevin L. Connolly. Motion was taken to a vote and it was **UNANIMOUSLY**

**VOTED**: to approve Warrant #19, in the amount of $524,701.21 dated May 5, 2015.

8.2 **Assistant Superintendent-Business and Personnel** – Steven M. Moore is attending a professional development event.

8.3 **Principal** –**Principal Jill M. Rossetti**. Ms. Rossetti was recognized by Chairman Maguire.

**Principal Rossetti continued with her comments:**

* **Coordinated Program Review** has concluded and overall seemed to go well.
* **Faculty Meeting was conducted.**
* **School Council Meeting was conducted. Vice Chairman Charles W. Flahive expressed his interest in attending a future meeting.**
* **Teacher Appreciation Week is this week but celebration will be in June. A Secretary and Nurse Appreciation event will be conducted tomorrow thanks to the Blue Hills Administrative team.**
* **DVC Art Show: Conducted tonight from 5:30 through 8 p.m. with a huge turn out of family, friends and the community. This event culminates four years of work by the students of the Design and Visual Communication Program and is spearheaded by Teacher, Mrs. Joann Murphy.**

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

**“Day on the Hill”** – Mr. Quaglia reported that he, along with Member Kevin L. Connolly, had attended this event sponsored by MASC/MASS on Wednesday, April 29, 2015. Unfortunately, a fire alarm went off within the State House and the building had to be cleared. Entrance required a long wait in a line near the Governor Hooker Entrance. The time delay stifled the intent of the meeting and visits with legislators.

**Legal Counsel** – Mr. Quaglia stated that a legal matter has surfaced that requires Attorney Matthew Tobin’s attention and Attorney Tobin will be invited to attend the next District School Committee Meeting.

9. **Unfinished Business and New Business** –

**Website:** Principal Rossetti was given permission to approve the installation of the new and improved website. All members have had an opportunity to visit the site.

**iPad:** Chairman Maguire urged all members to bring their iPads to each meeting.

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

11**. Executive session:**  Not required.

12**. Meeting Adjournment.** Chairman Maguire called for adjournment, following the conclusion of all business.

Member Eric C. Erskine moved to adjourn the meeting. Motion was seconded by Secretary Nearen, taken to a vote and **UNANIMOUSLY**

**VOTED**:  to adjourn the Special Meeting, with all regular business concluded, at **8:09 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,** **May 19, 2015** at **7:00 p.m.,** unless otherwise posted.

Minutes approved by:Respectfully submitted by:

Marybeth Nearen, Secretary Joanne Kuzborski, Recording Secretary