

MINUTES of the "50th District School Committee Regular Schedule 2014 Meeting

Membership: Mr. Francis J. Fistori, Avon; Secretary Germano John Silveira, Braintree;
Chairman Aidan G. Maguire, Jr. Canton, VACANT 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.

Tuesday, September 2, 2014

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

- Warrant @ 6:30 p.m.
- Personnel & Negotiation Subcommittee Meetings.

(Subcommittee Meetings were conducted in Room 402.)

The Blue Hills Regional Vocational School Fiftieth District School Committee Regular Schedule Meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, September 2, 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.

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. The recording secretary was present and the meeting was also recorded with a digital recorder.

1. ROLL CALL and PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE *

MEMBERS PRESENT: Messrs. Connolly, Fistori, Maguire, Mrs. Nearen and Mr. Silveira

MEMBERS ABSENT: Mr. McNeil

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

Mr. James P. Quaglia, Superintendent-Director Mr. Gene Mastro, Director of Facilities and Grounds

Ms. Jill Rossetti, Principal

Mr. Steven Moore, Assistant Superintendent/Finance and Personnel

- 2. Public Comment None.
- 3. Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes Minutes of previous meetings were unanimously approved.
- 4. **Student Representative** School Year 2014-15 Student Representative Geoffrey Ostman will begin his term at school start, September 2014. Mr. Ostman's first meeting will be Tuesday, September 16, 2014.
- 5. **DSC Chair Report** 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.
- 6. Subcommittee Reports

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- Evaluation Subcommittee— Review of evaluation tallies of Superintendent-Director, Treasurer and Recording Secretary were implemented at this meeting in open session. Chairman of the Evaluation Subcommittee, Francis J. Fistori, reported:
 - Treasurer Charles J. Gisondi received "excellent" from all responding members.
 - Recording Secretary Joanne Kuzborski received 120 commendable points and 30 competent, out of a total of 150 points rendered by the responding members.
 - Superintendent-Director James P. Quaglia Received outstanding marks and numerous remarks which will be reviewed at the Tuesday, September 16, 2014 meeting, if requested by the Committee. Member Fess Joyce apologized to the Committee for being unable to submit his review in writing and provided his review verbally; complimenting Mr. Quaglia for the enormous number of positive projects that have been accomplished for the school through his expertise.

NOTE: The above three positions fall entirely under the auspices of the District School Committee.

- Warrant Chairman Charles W. Flahive was present and recommended approval with a few questions for Assistant Superintendent/Business & Personnel.
- Personnel & Negotiation The Personnel & Negotiation Subcommittee continues union negotiation meetings. Chairman Charles W. Flahive will provide a status report within executive session. All three SEIU#888 Units have begun negotiating.

7. Administrative Reports:

- 7.1 **Treasurer**: Chairman Charles J. Gisondi was recognized by Chairman Maguire. Treasurer Gisondi presented the warrants.
 - 7.1.1 Warrant Approval: A motion was made by Secretary Germano John Silveira to approve the following warrant, dated September 2, 2014:

FY15, Warrant #3 in the amount of \$310,586.78.

Motion to approve was seconded by Vice Chairman Charles W. Flahive.

VOTE: By a unanimous vote, FY15, Warrant #3 was approved.

- 7.2 Principal's Report Ms. Jill M. Rossetti was welcomed by the Chairman and Committee.
 - Opening Day Agenda: Principal Rossetti reported that the Opening Day for all staff and faculty went very well. Chairman Aidan G. Maguire, Jr., attended and welcome all back for the start of School Year 2014-15.
 - New Teachers and Teachers Reaching Professional Status Invitations will be extended to all new teachers and teachers achieving professional status for the Tuesday, September 16, 2014 meeting.
- 7.3 **Assistant Superintendent-Business and Personnel** Mr. Steven Moore Mr. Moore was recognized by Chairman Maguire. Mr. Moore had the Employee Handbook prepared for approval but this approval has been

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delayed. Additional information will be provided when possible.

- 7.4 Superintendent/Director: Chairman Maguire recognized Superintendent-Director James P. Quaglia.
 - Electric Power The electric power of the school has huge issues with a substantial outage over the
 past weekend. Director of Facilities Gene Mastro stated that this is going to be enormous project
 addressing the issue of power failures. Emergency funding was discussed. Member Fess Joyce
 suggested that the Statehouse be contacted for help. The school currently has requests in to MSBA but
 no word has been sent to Blue Hills on the requests. Mr. Quaglia urged members to contact their State
 Senators and State Representatives for help.

8. Unfinished Business and New Business:

- Blue Hills' Boosters President Marylou Burton will be invited to the September 16, 2014 meeting to meet the Committee.
- **Policy** Subcommittee Chairman Marybeth Nearen received the praise of fellow Member, Fran Fistori, on the fine job she is doing with researching a number of items with School Council.
- "Make a Wish" Benefit Superintendent-Director Quaglia announced that he has learned of an event that
 is being run by a Blue Hills' Graduate, Michael Riley. Michael is running a charitable event to fund trips for
 seriously ill children. Teachers Ana Peach and Rebecca Rae and others (Deborah Beane) are assisting
 Michael with this endeavor.
- 9. **Discussion or Suggestions** for the Good of the District, Including newsworthy educational items.
 - → **Mr. Joseph A. Pascarella** The Committee would like to have a special tribute arranged for Mr. Pascarella in recognition of his years of outstanding service to the Committee and its goals and objectives. Mr. Pascarella resigned July 1, 2014. Mr. Pascarella will be contacted for his availability.
- 10. Executive session: Chairman Maguire moved to enter into executive session at 8:12 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 Pascarella. By UNANIMOUS Roll-Call Vote, the Committee moved into executive session and will return to the regular meeting for an the open session adjournment.

As a result of discussions, recommendations and negotiations of the Personnel & Negotiation Subcommittee and decision made in executive session, a vote was taken.

11. **Adjournment** – Following conclusion of all District School Committee's open meeting business. Chairman Maguire accepted a motion from Member Kevin L. Connolly and seconded by Member Fran Fistori to close the Summer Session Meeting of the District School Committee.

It was unanimously:

VOTED: to adjourn the Regular Schedule Meeting, with all regular business concluded, at 8:33 p.m.

The Committee's next meeting will be a <u>Regular Schedule Meeting</u>, by the <u>District School Committee</u> conducted in the <u>William T. Buckley District School Committee Board Room</u> (#207A), on <u>Tuesday</u>, <u>September 16</u>, 2014 at 7:00 p.m., unless otherwise posted.

Minutes Approved:

Minutes submitted by:

Germano John Silveira, Secretary

Joanne Kuzborski, Recording Secretary