



**MINUTES of the “51st District School Committee”  
Regular Schedule 2015 Meeting**

Membership: Mr. Francis J. Fistori, Avon; Mr. Eric C. Erskine, Braintree;  
Mr. Aidan G. Maguire, Jr. Canton; Secretary Thomas R. Polito, Jr., Dedham;  
Mr. Robert A. McNeil, Holbrook; Mr. Fess Joyce, Milton; Mr. Kevin L. Connolly, Norwood;  
Vice Chairman Marybeth Nearen, Randolph and Chairman Charles W. Flahive, Westwood.

***“Transparency, Accountability and Fiscal Discipline”***

**Tuesday, November 3, 2015**

Prior to this Regular Schedule Meeting, a subcommittee meeting was scheduled to be conducted. Meeting and report/recommendations will be forthcoming, resulting from its conduct. The subcommittee was:

- **5:30 p.m.: ad hoc Legal Subcommittee – Legal Search**
- **6:30 p.m.: Warrant Subcommittee - Review documents relative to Warrant Approval**

(NOTE: Subcommittee Meetings are conducted in Room 402.)

The Blue Hills Regional Vocational School **Fifty-First District School Committee Regular Schedule Meeting** was called to order, promptly, at **7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, November 3, 2015** at the Blue Hills Regional Vocational Technical School, **William T. Buckley District School Committee Board Room (#207A)**, 800 Randolph Street, Canton, Massachusetts. Chairman Charles W. Flahive presided at this meeting, as duly elected Chairman...

**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 Charles W. Flahive, conducting this meeting as duly elected Chairman of the 51<sup>st</sup> District School Committee, 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's notes were taken by Joanne Kuzborski, Recording Secretary and digital recorder.

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

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Messrs. Connolly, Erskine, Flahive, Joyce, Maguire, McNeil and Polito

**MEMBERS ABSENT** Members Fistori and, Nearen

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Mr. Charles J. Gisondi, District Treasurer  
Mr. James P. Quaglia, Superintendent-Director  
Mr. Steven Moore, Assistant Superintendent/Business & Personnel  
Mr. Brian Gearty, BHEA, Teacher, Golf Coach  
Mr. Steve Williams, Teacher (Lead) Automotive Repair  
Ms. Nicole Flynn, BHEA, Teacher  
Ms. Marybeth Joyce, Director of Admissions and Financial Aid  
Mr. Joe Fineran, Math Teacher  
Mrs. Trisha Murphy, Math Lead Teacher  
Mr. Jason Winchel, Teacher

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Mr. Jonathan Palmer, Math Teacher  
Mr. Brian Kiff, Teacher, Automotive Repair

**MOMENT OF SILENCE:** With the deepest respect, care and condolence, the Members of the District School Committee and audience offered a moment of silence to recently deceased Blue Hills' loyal advocate and friend Mr. Al Frew of Randolph, MA.

2. **Public Comment** – Chairman Charles W. Flahive acknowledged the attendance of teachers present and thanked them for their participation and interest

3. Student Report – None.

4. **Minute approval:** None.

5. **DSC Chairman's Report/Comments:**

Chairman Charles W. Flahive spoke on the following items:

1) **PARCC TEST: PARCC.** The full committee is very interested on this report. As soon as the information is ready for release, the members will receive a report.

2) **ad hoc Legal Subcommittee Meeting:** Chairman Flahive Stated that at this evening's ad hoc Legal Subcommittee meeting a document was produced and is to be circulated to school counsel law firms (and lawyers) that may be interested in the opportunities of counseling Blue Hills Regional. Returns will be directed to Joanne and submitted by November 30, 2015. Each DSC Member will receive a copy of the prerequisites for interested legal counsel submissions. Chairman Flahive expressed his appreciation to Assistant Superintendent/Business & Personnel Steven M. Moore for his assistance with this project.

3) Chairman Flahive spoke of his school visit yesterday, following a business meeting with Mr. Moore. Chairman Flahive stated that he was very impressed viewing the students attired in their career choice t-shirts and sweatshirts. Chairman Flahive suggested that students be supplied these shirts (definitely juniors and seniors; and perhaps sophomores as well). Chairman Flahive firmly believes that this would offer an excellent enhancement to public relations. Superintendent-Director James P. Quaglia stated that this is a subject that should be set in an appropriate subcommittee meeting, along with appropriate administrators. Chairman Flahive stated: "This is an appropriate discussion item with the Chairman's report and comments." This item will receive additional attention at a future meeting.

6) **Music Program:** Chairman Flahive stated this has been an ongoing conversation discussed a number of times and he wishes to hear more on the subject. Superintendent-Director Quaglia stated that Principal Rossetti will provide additional information at the next meeting. A number of members have also inquired about this program.

7. **Subcommittee Reports:**

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(NOTE: Also commented with ad hoc Legal Subcommittee report, as follows.)

- **Warrant Subcommittee Member**, Mr. Eric C. Erskine reported on the review of the documentation of the Warrant this evening. Member Aidan G. Maguire, Jr., had a few questions that were answered by Assistant Superintendent/Business and Personnel Steven M. Moore, with satisfaction. The Warrant Subcommittee recommended the approval of the submitted warrant.

## 8. Administrative Reports:

8.1 **Treasurer, Mr. Charles J. Gisondi** was recognized by Chairman Flahive. Treasurer Gisondi stated that the transition from Bank of America to Bank of Canton is progressing, in advance to the deadline established by Bank of America being met. Thus far, Mr. Gisondi has spent **164 hours (so far, in an eight week period)** exclusively to the transition which continues to require additional hours, above and beyond his usual job requirements. Mr. Gisondi wishes to leave the meeting after this report to continue work on this most important transition. Mr. Gisondi continues to receive complete cooperation from the Bank of Canton. Mr. Gisondi's target for completion of this project is December 7, 2015.

- **Warrant Approval** – Chairman Charles W. Flahive accepted a motion, as follows:

Secretary Thomas R. Polito moved to approve FY16 Warrant #7, dated November 3, 2015, (Vouchers 1018-1019) in the amount of \$638,882.45. Motion was seconded by Member Kevin L. Connolly. Motion to approve was taken to a vote and it was **UNANIMOUSLY**

**VOTED:** to approve FY16 Warrant #7, dated November 3, 2015, (Vouchers 1018-1019) in the amount of \$638,882.45.

**Mr. Gisondi was excused from the remainder of the meeting to return to his desk and bank transfer work.**

## 8.2 Assistant Superintendent/Personnel and Business: Chairman Flahive recognized Mr. Steven M. Moore.

- **PEC:** Mr. Moore reported that he and Mr. Quaglia have met with the appropriate parties to explain this compensation, successfully.
- **FY17 Budget Calendar:** All DSC Members have received a copy of this calendar electronically. This Calendar provides dates and times of all meetings that will pertain to the FY17 Budget. Following brief comments, Chairman Flahive accepted a motion from Member Fess Joyce to accept the FY17 Budget Calendar, as submitted. Motion was seconded by Member Eric Erskine. Motion was taken to a vote and it was **UNANIMOUSLY**

**VOTED:** to accept the FY17 Budget Calendar, as submitted.

## 8.3 Principal – Ms. Jill M. Rossetti / Absent

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8.4 **Superintendent/Director:** Chairman Charles W. Flahive recognized Superintendent-Director James P. Quaglia.

Mr. Quaglia did not have a report this evening.

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

- **MASC/MASS CONFERENCE** Resolution Review – Postponed with the absence of Vice-Chairman Marybeth Nearen. Motions will be reviewed by the participating members at the Conference. The MASC/MASS Conference will be conducted from Wednesday, November 4 – 7, 2015 at the Hyannis Conference Center. Five members are registered to attend. Joanne (Kuzborski) will be attending the COSCAP Meeting on Friday, November 6, 2015; also at the Hyannis Conference Center.

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

11. **Executive session:** Determined unnecessary.

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

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

**VOTED:** to adjourn the Regular Schedule Meeting, with all regular business concluded, at **7:27 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, November 17, 2015** at **7:00 p.m.**, unless otherwise posted.

Minutes approved by:

Respectfully submitted by:

Thomas R. Polito, Jr., Secretary

Joanne Kuzborski, Recording Secretary