



**MINUTES of the “52nd District School Committee”
Regular Schedule 2016 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. Michael C. Franzosa, Holbrook; Mr. Fess Joyce, Milton; Mr. Kevin L. Connolly, Norwood;
Vice Chairman Marybeth Nearen, Randolph and Chairman Charles W. Flahive, Westwood.
Student Representative, School Year 2016-17, Mr. Andrew Bryant

“Transparency, Accountability and Fiscal Discipline”

Tuesday, November 15, 2016

Prior to this District School Committee Meeting, the following subcommittee meetings were scheduled and conducted in Room 402:

- **6:30 p.m.: Warrant Subcommittee - Review documents relative to Warrant Approval.**

The Blue Hills Regional Vocational School **Fifty-Second District School Committee Meeting** was called to order, on **Tuesday, November 15, 2016** at 7:00 p.m. in room 207A at Blue Hills Regional Vocational Technical School, located at 800 Randolph Street, Canton, Massachusetts by Chairman Charles W. Flahive.

Election results are as follows:

Town	Elected	Phone # & Zip Code
HOLBROOK	Michael C. Franzosa 111 Poole Circle	781-767-0603 Zip: 02343
MILTON	Festus Joyce 104 Washington Street	617-698-4995 Zip: 02186
NORWOOD	Kevin L. Connolly 44 Nahatan Street, Apt. #31	781-769-5499 Zip: 02062
RANDOLPH	Marybeth Nearen 193 Union Street	781-961-1074 Zip: 02368
WESTWOOD	Charles W. Flahive 21 Glen Road, P.O. Box 2563	781-769-3535 Zip: 02090

The election terms are for four years.

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.

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, District Recording Secretary, and digital recorder.

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

MEMBERS PRESENT: Chairman Charles Flahive, Westwood
Kevin Connolly, Norwood
Eric Erskine, Braintree
Francis Fistori, Avon

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Fess Joyce, Milton
 Aidan G. Maguire, Jr., Canton
 Marybeth Nearen, Randolph

MEMBERS ABSENT

Francis Fistori, Avon
 Michael C. Franzosa, Holbrook
 Thomas R. Polito, Jr., Dedham

OTHERS PRESENT:

Mr. James P. Quaglia, Superintendent-Director
 Ms. Jill Rossetti, Principal
 Mr. Charles Gisondi, Treasurer
 Mr. Steven Moore, Assistant Superintendent/Business & Personnel
 Mr. Andrew Bryant, Student Representative
 Ms. Marybeth Joyce, BH Director of Admissions and Financial Aid
 Ms. Kimberly Polisenso, Cooperative Program Coordinator

Ms. Kristy Littlehale Teacher	Ms. Cathy Mohan Teacher/LPN Faculty	Ms. Roxanne E. Mihal LPN Faculty
Ms. Grace Magnani Teacher	Eileen Dailey/BHEA Canton Resident	Vicki DiMeo Teacher/BHEA
Ms. Nicole Flynn-Math Teacher	Mrs. Katlyn Lovell - Teacher	Ms. Michelle Barley Teacher

Sincere condolences were extended on the recent loss in the Fistori Family with the passing of Mr. Fistori’s beloved Mother-in-Law. Details on arrangements will be forthcoming. Joanne will take care of further notice.

Joseph Family: Member Fess Joyce spoke on the Joseph Family situation and asked that all members pray for the reconciliation of Carly’s health. Mr. Joyce stated, “We are family here at Blue Hills and when one of us is hurting, we all hurt and do our best to help.” Joanne will take care of members’ request and keep the Committee advised of progress.

District School Committee Member Fran Fistori has already visited the “Go Fund Account” set up and has made a substantial personal donation. Others, on staff, have done likewise, including Joanne.

2. Public Comment: None.

3. Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes – Chairman Charles W. Flahive stated that there are two sets of minutes prepared for approval as presented: Member Eric Erskine moved to approve the Tuesday, October 4, 2016 Minutes, as presented. Motion was seconded by Member Aidan G. Maguire, Jr. Motion was taken to a vote and it was **UNANIMOUSLY**

VOTED: to approve the Tuesday, October 4, 2016 Minutes, as presented.

Member Kevin L. Connolly moved to approve the Tuesday, November 1, 2016 Minutes, as presented. Motion was seconded by Vice Chairman Marybeth Nearen. Motion was taken to a vote and it was **UNANIMOUSLY**

VOTED: to approve the Tuesday, November 1, 2016 Minutes, as presented.

4. Student Representative, Mr. Andrew Bryant was recognized by Chairman Charles W. Flahive. Once again, Mr. Bryant presented his report on recent student activities that are attached to these minutes, including pictorial review of the multitude of activities. Following the presentation, a question and answer session occurred. Member Connolly asked where the

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Thanksgiving Game will be played this year and learned that it will be “away”. Ordinarily, there is a switch off of playing sites. (Please review the Attached PowerPoint Presentation to see Mr. Bryant’s impressive presentation. Mr. Bryant received a round of applause from all attending for the amazing production he presented.

5. DSC Chair Report by Chairman Charles W. Flahive:

- **Subcommittee Assignments:** Delayed to allow for the November 8, 2016 Election will be announced soon.
- **MASC/MASS Conference November 3-6, 2017 in Hyannis MA:** Four members attended this professional development event and absorbed many educational items that will prove to benefit the District with forthcoming expertise. Members attending were Chairman Charles W. Flahive, Vice Chairman Marybeth Nearen, Member Eric Erskine and Member Aidan G. Maguire, Jr.
- **Meeting Recording: There was a discussion on activating the filming of meetings, as approved some five years ago and where the distribution of recordings should occur.** Member Kevin L. Connolly expressed his dissent. A distribution vote will be forthcoming. It was determined that the first meeting of January 2017 will be the first filming.
- **Music Room:** Chairman Flahive asked: “When will the music room be completed?” Superintendent-Director Quaglia stated that January 2017 (the beginning) is the target date for completion. Presently, the Electrical Program is wiring the rooms.
- **Golf Coach of the Year:** Chairman Flahive congratulated the “Golf Coach of the Year” accomplishment of Mr. Brian Gearty.

6 Subcommittee Reports:

- **Policy Subcommittee:** Subcommittee Chairman Marybeth Nearen recommended the following Files be updated/added to the District School Committee’s Policy Manual: reported that the Policy Subcommittee conducted a meeting this evening to review and revise Policies. Subsequently, a number of Policies were discussed and the Policy Subcommittee unanimously voted to recommend to the full Committee the following revision:
 - **FILE IIN COOPERATIIVE EDUCATION PROGRAM**→**Existing File** required a new sentence with a bit of fine tuning.
 - **FILE ADD SAFE SCHOOL POLICY** → **New File.**
 - **FILE JIC| WEAPONS IN SCHOOL** → **New File.**

Without discussion, a vote was taken. Chairman Charles W. Flahive, moved the question of acceptance of the three entitled Files. Vice Chairman Marybeth Nearen (Chairman of the Policy Subcommittee) moved to approve the following:

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Motion was seconded by Member Eric Erskine. Motion was taken to a vote and it was UNANIMOUSLY VOTED: to approve **FILE IIN COOPERATIIVE EDUCATION PROGRAM**→**Existing File** required a new sentence and a bit of fine tuning.

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- **Warrant Subcommittee:** Subcommittee Chairman Aidan G. Maguire stated that he was surprised by the high cost of cell phone expenses and asked for an explanation. Mr. Steven Moore will explore thoroughly and get back to the Committee.

7. Administrative Reports:

7.1 Treasurer: Mr. Charles Gisondi was recognized by Chairman Flahive:

7.1.1 Warrant Approval: Member Aidan G. Maguire, Jr., moved to approve **FY17 Warrant**, Number 7, in the amount of \$979,974.59 (Vouchers 1018-1019), dated November 15, 2016.

Motion to approve was seconded by Member Kevin Connolly. Motion taken to vote where it was a **unanimous**

VOTE to approve **FY17 Warrant**, Number 7, in the amount of \$979,974.59 (Vouchers 1018-1019), dated November 15, 2016.

7.2 Assistant Superintendent/Personnel and Business: . Chairman Flahive recognized Steven M. Moore, Assistant Superintendent/Personnel and Business.

- FY18 Budget Meeting Calendar was presented by Mr. Moore.
- PEC Agreement is nearing expiration and needs reopening. Efforts will be made toward that goal.
- 1st Quarter Report: Mr. Moore thoroughly reviewed the numbers involved with this report.
- Audit: The auditors are coming in to start their work on the perusal of the FY16 Budget.

7.3 Principal:

- **“Annual Open House”:** A spectacular Open House Event is planned for tomorrow, November 16, 2016 from 5:30 – 7:30 p.m. DSC Members are all urged to attend this event which is the largest marketing element with recruitment. It is noted that overall censuses of eligible eighth grade students is down and Blue Hills is equipped to entice students with the superiority of its academic and shop programs. Room 402 will be the gathering place for District School Committee Members attending and parking spots will be reserved.
- **Program Placement Report:** Principal Rossetti introduced Ms. Kimberly Polisenno who reported the following: Ms. Polisenno is the Coordinator of Career Planning and Co-op.

	# of Graduates	Responses (% Resp.)	Positive Placement (Perkins)	Positive Placement (Ch. 74)	Military	Employed Related	Additional Education	Employed Non-Related	Unemployed	Not in Labor Force
Blue Hills Regional	184	158 85.87%	158 100%	123 77.85%	1 63%	59 28.75%	63 39.87%	35 22.15%	0 0%	0 0%

Ms. Polisenno also participated in a question and answer session with the members of the District School Committee. The content of this report was also sent to all members via email, prior to the meeting.

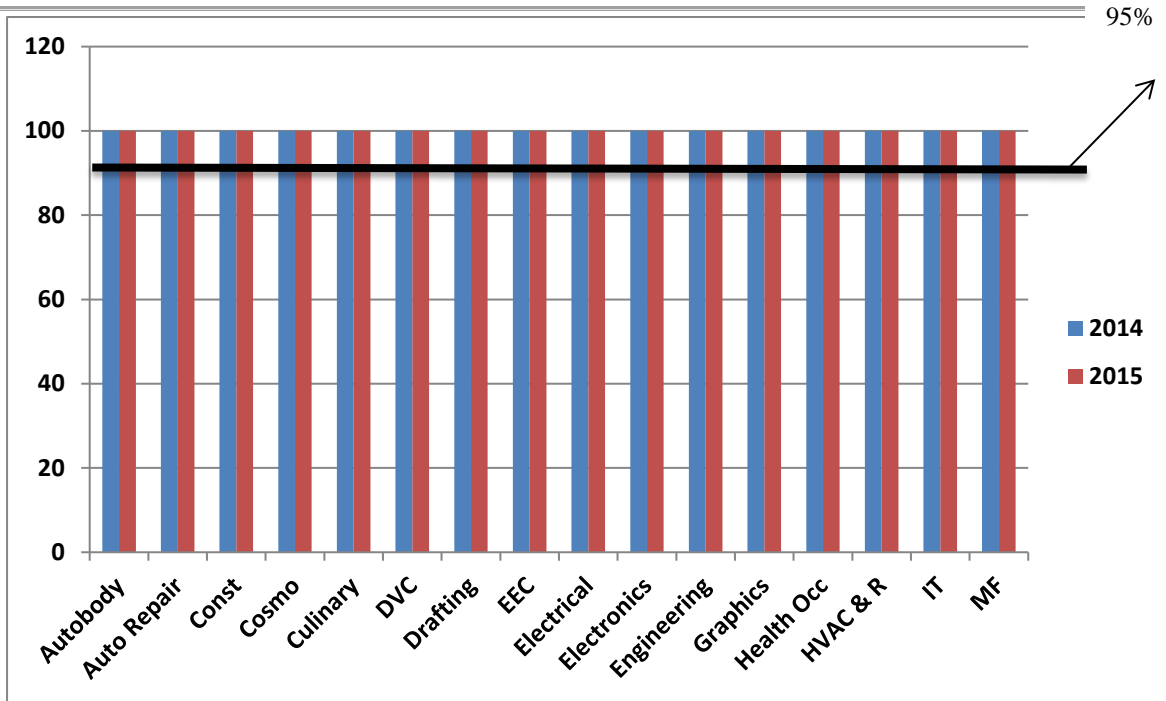
Following the presentation, Members of the District School Committee thanked Ms. Polisenno for the thoroughness

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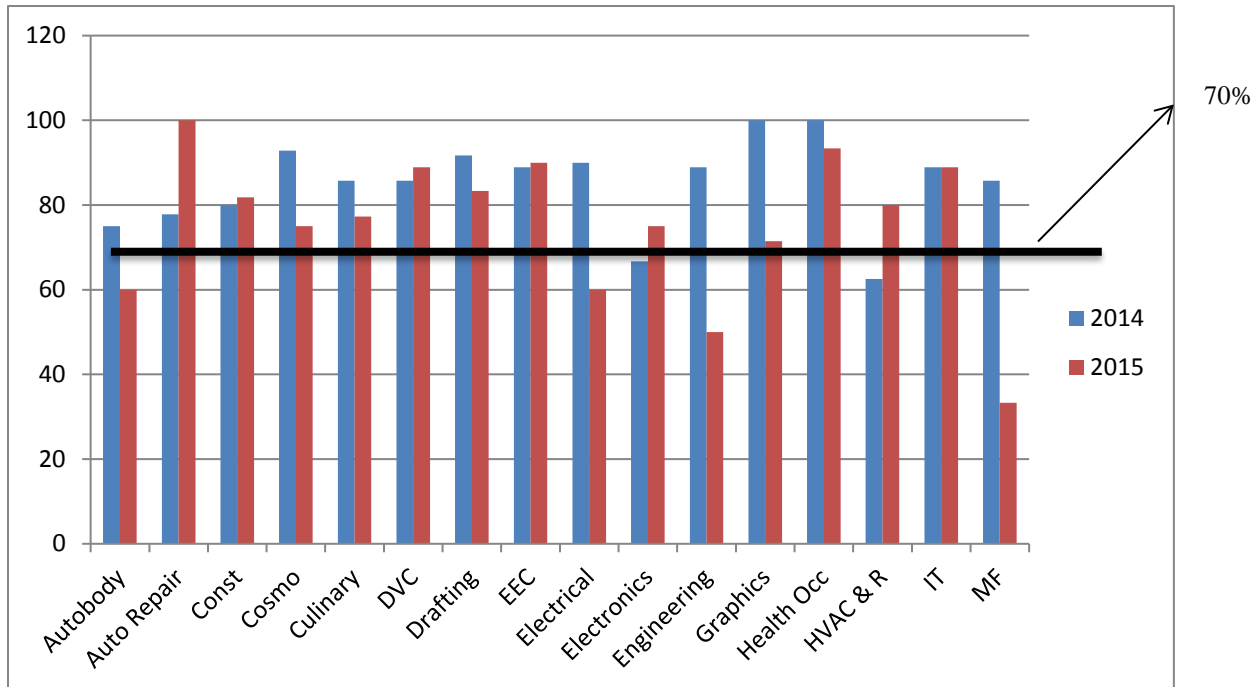
of her report.

All District School Committee Members acknowledge that student placement following graduation is a vital outcome with successful education at Blue Hills.

Positive Placement (Perkins)



Positive Placement (Chapter 74)

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Positive Placement Perkins (Federal): Positive Placement for Federal – student can be employed in any field. It is considered positive if they are employed. For example, if a student graduates from metal fab and works at a gas station, that is considered a positive placement for Perkins but not for state.

Positive Placement Chapter. 74 (State): Positive Placement for state – student needs to be employed in the field they graduated from. For example, a metal fab student MUST be employed in the metal fab area to be considered positive.

7.5 Superintendent-Director James P. Quaglia:

- **Email Communication:** S/D Quaglia read, in its entirety a “thank you” email message from Ms. Valerie Quaglia.
- **School Building Committee Meeting Update:** Mr. Quaglia reviewed the status report from recently conducted SBC Meeting stating that all is going well with requirements.
- **Randolph Meeting:** Mr. Quaglia met with individuals from Randolph regarding a school building within Randolph that may become available. No conclusions were rendered at this time.

8. Unfinished Business and New Business:

- **Decommission of Obsolete Construction Technology Equipment:** As reviewed at a previous meeting, and presented and recommended by the Superintendent-Director. Following a brief comment session, a motion was made by Member Maguire, seconded by Vice Chairman Nearen to

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decommission the obsolete equipment as recommended by Superintendent-Director Quaglia. Motion was **voted and PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

- **School Vehicles:** Discussion surrounding the turn in of a few school vehicles was discussed and the possibility of selling them to a DSC Member. Upon conclusion of discussion, it was decided to investigate the ethics involved with this type of action. Matter will be further discussed at the 12.6.16 meeting.

9. **Discussion or Suggestions for the good of district, including newsworthy educational items-**

- **Comradeship:** Chairman Flahive stated that he still would like to see more comradeship between the Committee and Staff/Faculty.
- **Building Directory Signage:** Chairman Flahive would like the school directory signage reviewed.

10. **Executive Session: N/A**

11. **Adjournment.** Chairman Flahive called for adjournment, following the conclusion of all business. Member Fess Joyce move to adjourn. Motion was seconded by Member Kevin Connolly and motion to adjourn was approved unanimously.

VOTED: to adjourn the DSC Meeting, with all regular business concluded, at **8:07 p.m.**

The Committee's **next meeting** will be a **Regular Schedule Meeting**, conducted in the **William T. Buckley District School Committee Board Room #207 on Tuesday, December 6, 2016 at 7:00 p.m.**, unless otherwise posted.

Minutes approved by:

Respectfully submitted by:

Secretary Thomas R. Polito, Jr.

Joanne Kuzborski, Recording Secretary