



BLUE HILLS REGIONAL DISTRICT SCHOOL COMMITTEE

800 Randolph Street  
Canton, MA 02021-9103

“Fifty-Third District Committee”

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Membership:

Francis J. Fistori, Avon; Eric C. Erskine, Braintree; Aidan G. Maguire, Jr., Canton;  
Thomas R. Polito, Jr., Dedham; Michael C. Franzosa, Holbrook; Fess Joyce, Milton; Kevin L. Connolly,  
Norwood; Marybeth Nearen, Randolph and Charles W. Flahive, Westwood.

Goals: “Transparency, Accountability and Fiscal Discipline”

ORGANIZATION:

Chairman	Marybeth Nearen
Vice Chairman	Thomas R. Polito, Jr.
Secretary	Eric C. Erskine
District Treasurer	Charles J. Gisondi
Student Representative	Andrew Bryant

SUBCOMMITTEES \* Appointed by Chairman Nearen (7.11.17)

ATHLETIC & EXTRACURRICULAR	Members <b>Flahive</b> , Erskine, Fistori, Maguire, and Joyce
BUILDINGS, FACILITIES, SAFETY AND SECURITY	Members Connolly, Erskine, Franzosa, and Polito
CURRICULUM & ADVISORY -	Members Connolly, Franzosa, and Maguire,
EVALUATION -	Members Erskine, Fistori, Flahive, and Polito
FINANCE & ADMINISTRATION -	Members <b>Polito</b> , Franzosa, Maguire, Nearen
PERSONNEL & NEGOTIATIONS -	Members <b>Erskine</b> , Flahive, Maguire, and Polito
POLICY -	Members Fistori, Flahive, Franzosa and Nearen,
SCHOOL BUILDING.MSBA -	Members Connolly, Erskine, Franzosa, Polito
WARRANT -	Members <b>Maguire</b> Fistori, Flahive, Franzosa,
WEBSITE & TECHNOLOGY	Members <b>Connolly</b> , Fistori, Franzosa and Maguire

Superintendent / Director	James P. Quaglia
Principal	Jill M. Rossetti
Assistant Superintendent/Business & Personnel	Steven M. Moore

\* Subcommittee Chairmen are first and bolded. Elected by subcommittee upon their first meeting after appointment. The Chairman of the District School Committee serves as *Ex-officio* member on all subcommittees.

PLEASE NOTE SUBCOMMITTEE MEETINGS PRIOR TO REGULAR SCHEDULE MEETING

\*Subcommittee Meetings, prior to

<b>4:30 p.m.: Personnel &amp; Negotiation – BHAA Negotiation Discussions</b>
<b>6:00 p.m.: Website &amp; Technology – Discussion on ProDocument Presentation</b>
<b>6:30 p.m.: Warrant Subcommittee - Review documents for Warrant Approval, Room 402</b>

**Regular Schedule Meeting >MINUTES Tuesday, March 20, 2018 at 7 p.m.**

**And Public Hearing on FY19 Budget MINUTES**

**THE ANNUAL DSC PHOTO WAS TAKEN THIS EVENING BY MS. JUDY BASS**

**This BECOMES the Yearbook 2018 Photo and “Hallway Photo”**

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



**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.

1. **Pledge of Allegiance, Roll Call:** All Members were present. Mrs. Kuzborski led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Administrators Present:** Superintendent-Director James P. Quaglia, Mr. Steven M. Moore, Principal Jill M. Rossetti.

The Blue Hills Regional Vocational School Fifty-Third District School Committee Meeting was called to order, on Tuesday, January 20, 2018 at 7:00 p.m. in room 207A at Blue Hills Regional Vocational Technical School, located at 800 Randolph Street, Canton, Massachusetts by Chairman Marybeth Nearen. This meeting is a "Regular District School Committee Meeting", Ordinarily Regular Schedule Meetings of the District School Committees are conducted on the 1st and 3rd Tuesdays of each month. When and if this changes ALL are advised of the change. The meeting is video recorded and available by request to the Superintendent-Director.

**Others Present:**

Karimah Land	Jane O'Malley	Elizabeth Fiascone	Quinn Peters	Shara Ginthwain
Matt Morris	Judy Bass	Wapaemi Wariboko	Robert Donnelly	Kristy Littlehale

**PUBLIC HEARING – FY19 BUDGET**

Chairman Marybeth Nearen called to the Public Hearing to order. The Hearing was turned over to Assistant Superintendent Personnel & Finance Steven M. Moore. Mr. Moore proceeded to review the entire FY19 with the attendance and also supplied all with the FY19 Booklets which describe every aspect of Blue Hills, financially, as well as mission, goals and objectives. Mr. Moore and others, including Superintendent-Director James P. Qualia and respective DSC representatives, will be visiting District Town Finance Boards, as requested for in-person inquiries.

2. Public Comment – None.
3. **Student Representative Mr. Andrew Bryant** was unable to attend this evening (He was attending Basketball Banquet). In his place, Mr. Bryant sent **Ms. Karimah Land**, SkillsUSA President and Student Council Co-Chairman. Chairman Nearen recognized Ms. Land who proceeded with a PowerPoint presentation that entailed the following subjects:

**STUCO Update  
As of 3-20-18**

**Sports**

- Boys' Basketball- The boys run came to an end against a tough Mashpee team. This marked the end to a great season where the boys were able to make it to the South semi-finals

- Spring Sports started yesterday, despite the cold.
- The teams are making the best of the weather conditions and will hopefully be outside soon!

#### **Spanish Trip**

- The Senior class collected \$233.54 for the Hogar de Ninos Orphanage in Quito.
- Administration and DSC accepted the challenge of matching that amount at last meeting. Money can be collected by Principal Rossetti.
- Our goal was to have at least 30 children at orphanage be able to have a small birthday party (\$10 each for a cake/decorations and food) and it certainly was met.

Thank you from all of us going to Ecuador/Galapagos. Well Done!

#### **Senior Class**

- Prom is only two weeks from Friday! (April 6<sup>th</sup>)
- The Senior class council is making their final preparations for the event including...
- Tickets on sale through March 29th
- Grand march set up
- Prom venue preparation
- The Grand March will begin at 6:00
- Prom begins at 7:00 and will run to 11:00

#### **Acceptance Reception**

The Acceptance Reception for the Class of 2022 has been changed to March 28th due to inclement weather

4. **Puerto Rico Trip** – Cancelled.

#### 5. **CONSENT ITEMS**

- Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes – Not available.
- Warrant Approval – Warrant Subcommittee Chairman, Aidan G. Maguire, Jr., recommended the approval of the warrant, on behalf of the Warrant Subcommittee resulting in the following vote:

Upon motion of Secretary Eric C. Erskine to approve Warrant #17 dated March 20, 2018, in the amount of \$1,788,204.61, and seconded by Member Kevin L. Connolly, a vote was taken and it was

#### **UNANIMOUSLY**

**VOTED:** to approve Warrant #17 dated March 20, 2018, in the amount of \$1,788,204.61.

6. **Treasurer:** Mr. Charles J. Gisondi - Nothing beyond Warrant Vote.

7. **DSC Chair Report:** Chairman Marybeth Nearen – None.

8. **Subcommittee Reports** (As needed.):

- **Personnel & Negotiation Subcommittee** – Report from Subcommittee Chairman Eric C. Erskine  
Mr. Erskine stated that the BHAA has met with the Personnel & Negotiation Subcommittee and there is a resulting need for an Executive Session.
- **Website & Technology Subcommittee** – Member Kevin L. Connolly has been elected to Chair the Website & Technology Subcommittee. The matter of BoardDocs was discussed and it is recommended that the full committee take no action on securing of the services, at this time.
- **Warrant Subcommittee** – Report from Subcommittee Chairman Aidan G. Maguire, Jr., on review of documents relative to Warrant Approval and subsequent to recommendation for warrant approval.

9. **Administrative Reports:**

9.1 Assistant Superintendent/Personnel and Business: Mr. Steven M. Moore was recognized by Chairman Nearen. Mr. Moore stated that the necessary steps have been taken to reconcile the PEC matter and it is close to fruition.

9.2 Principal – Ms. Jill M. Rossetti was recognized by Chairman Nearen speaking on:

- Request for Out of State Professional Development Model Schools Conference 2018, 25th Annual Conference hosted by the International Center for Leadership in Education (ICLE) • June 24-27th (Sunday through Wednesday) • Orlando, Florida  
Member Kevin L. Connolly requested assurance that this professional development event is financed fully through grants.

Following conclusion of discussions, the trip was taken to a vote with Mr. Connolly's amendment to insure grant funding.

Motion was made by Member Aidan G. Maguire, Jr., Seconded by Member Michael C. Franzosa to approve the trip that is entirely funded by grants. Motion to approve was taken to a vote and it was UNANIMOUSLY

**VOTED:** to approve the trip that is entirely funded by grants, as requested.

9.3 Superintendent/Director: Mr. James P. Quaglia – Chairman Quaglia supplied a comprehensive PowerPoint Presentation on “**Enrollment at BHRTS – Past and Present**”. This item had been the subject of conversation by members in the RECENT past and Mr. Quaglia did comprehensive research. Because Blue Hills receives more applications for admission to its freshmen class, Blue Hills has an “Admissions Policy” which guides administrators to selecting students. The BHRTS Admissions Policy must also be approved by DESE. Mr. Quaglia stated: “The key element to successful student admission practices is stability.” Blue Hills is intent in seeing the students succeed with their future undertakings academically and professionally. Members were given a PowerPoint Presentation that detailed on the aspects of student enrollments, past and present. This PowerPoint Presentation is available in its entirety upon request to the Superintendent-Director.

9. Unfinished Business and New Business – Members want to know:

- How much grant money the District receives?
- May District School Committee Members receive stipends? This request requires a Finance & Administration Subcommittee Meeting.
- How many students are enrolled in respective programs?

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

12. An **executive session** occurred AT 8:43 P.M., following a **UNANIMOUS ROLL-CALL VOTE OF THE COMMITTEE** 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 Open Meeting Law Regulations, 940 CMR 29.00-29.11. All regular business of the Committee was completed and the Committee would return to open session solely to adjourn.

13. At 9:18 p.m., the Committee returned to the Open Session to Adjourn. Chairman Marybeth Nearen accepted a motion from Member Michael C. Franzosa to adjourn. Motion was seconded by Member Francis J. Fistori. Motion to adjourn was **voted and passed UNANIMOUSLY**.

All are reminded that the next meeting dates are: Tuesday, Tuesday, April 3rd at 7 p.m. A SPECIAL MEETING Will be conducted on Tuesday, April 23, 2018 at 7 p.m.

Respectfully recorded and submitted by:

Joanne Doyle Kuzborski, Recording Secretary

**Next meeting dates: 4/4/18 at 7 p.m.**