



BLUE HILLS REGIONAL DISTRICT SCHOOL COMMITTEE  
800 Randolph Street  
Canton, MA 02021-9103  
“Fifty-Fourth District Committee”  
[www.bluehills.org](http://www.bluehills.org)

**Membership:**

Francis J. Fistori, Avon; Eric C. Erskine, Braintree; Aidan G. Maguire, Jr., Canton;  
Thomas R. Polito, Jr., Dedham; Michael C. Franzosa, Holbrook; Matthew P. O’Malley, 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	Robert (Bobby) O’Connell

**SUBCOMMITTEES \* Appointed by Chairman Nearen, 9.11.18**

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

\* Subcommittee Chairmen will be listed first **and bolded** after first meeting of subcommittees’ appointments by Chairman of the District School Committee. The Chairman of the District School Committee serves as *Ex-officio* member on all subcommittees.

PLEASE NOTE SUBCOMMITTEE MEETINGS PRIOR TO FULL-COMMITTEE MEETING

**Meetings conducted in the School Committee Meeting Room Room W218  
(Formerly 207A)**

**PRIOR TO REGULAR MEETING, AN OPEN MEETING/PUBLIC HEARING WILL BE  
CONDUCTED, AS ADVERTISED**

**\*Subcommittee Meetings, prior TO full-committee meeting.**

**5:30 p.m.: Personnel & Negotiation Subcommittee – This meeting will be conducted in the  
Principal’s Meeting Room (Student Affairs Office)**

**6:30 p.m.: Warrant Subcommittee: Review of Invoice backup information**

**MINUTES – REGULAR MEETING – TUESDAY, APRIL 2, 2019  
and OPEN PUBLIC HEARING ON THE FY20 BUDGET**



**At 7:00 PM**

**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: Chairman Nearen called the meeting to order at 7:08 p.m. and requested that Student Representative Robert "Bobby" O'Connell lead the Pledge.

**Attendance Members:**

Marybeth Nearen	Aidan Maguire	Michael Franzosa
Fran Fistori - Absent	Tom Polito	Kevin Connolly
Eric Erskine Robert (Bobby) O'Connell. Student	Matthew P. O'Malley Charles J. Gisondi, Treasurer	Charles Flahive

**Others in Attendance:**

S/D James P. Quaglia Assistant S/D, Steve Moore
<b>Attachment #1 = Further attendance.</b>

2. PUBLIC HEARING ON FY20 BUDGET, AS ADVERTISED: The Public Hearing was called to order There were no questions.
3. Public Comment – None.
4. Student Representative Report – Robert (Bobby) O'Connell – Chairman Nearen recognized Mr. O'Connell. Mr. O'Connell proceeded to report on student activities; past, present and future (through a PowerPoint Presentation) that will be circulated. Members of the full committee thanked Bobby for his report.
5. Consent Items
  - Minute Approval – Secretary Eric Erskine moved to accept the minutes of the 2.26.19 Meeting. Member Kevin L. Connolly seconded the motion. Motion was taken to a vote and it was **UNANIMOUSLY VOTED:** to accept the minutes of the 2.26.19 Meeting.  
Secretary Eric Erskine moved to accept the 3.19.19 Meeting. Motion was seconded by Kevin L. Connolly. After significant controversy, a **vote** was taken and by **MAJORITY THE MINUTES of th 3.19.19 Meeting WERE ACCEPTED**  
**(YES: Erskine, Maguire, Franzosa, O'Malley, Connolly, Nearen) (NO: Polito, ABSTAIN: Flahive)**
  - Warrant Approval: Secretary Eric C. Erskine moved to **approve Warrant #17, dated April 2, 2019 in the amount of \$724,639.60.** Motion was seconded by Member Connolly, taken to a vote and **UNANIMOUSLY VOTED: to approve Warrant #17, dated April 2, 2019 in the amount of \$724,639.60**

6. Treasurer: Mr. Charles J. Gisondi stated that Members of the Bank of Canton are available to attend the April 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2019 meeting of the District School Committee.
7. DSC Chair Report

Superintendent Search Discussion/Update – Chairman Nearen announced the members of the Superintendent Search Committee. A meeting with the facilitator, Mr. Glenn Koocher will be announced shortly. This meeting will include the seven appointed members and Mr. Koocher will review protocols.

The seven appointed members are:

- Chris Deady - Graphics Lead Teacher
  - Eileen Dailey - English Lead Teacher
  - Linda Wirta - Canton Resident/Advisory Council Chair
  - Ellen Larkin Rollings -Westwood Resident/ Westwood Finance Committee Member
  - Charlie Flahive - DSC Member, Westwood
  - Aidan Maguire - DSC Member, Canton
  - Marybeth Nearen - DSC Chair, Randolph
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- Member Kevin Connolly made a motion to accept in-house candidates and insure that a qualified in-house/in-service candidate be included with the “final three”. The motion was seconded and taken to a vote. The vote was 4 – 4 and “failed” for lack of majority. (**Note: There were 8 out of 9 members present at this meeting.**) Post-vote, the heated conversation continued until the Chairman called for silence.
  - **School-to-Careers** – Member Flahive requested that the School-to-Careers Program report to the Committee with their details on programs offered for the students. Mr. Quaglia will make contact and set up (as requested by Chairman Nearen).
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8. Subcommittee Reports (As needed.):
    - Personnel & Negotiation Subcommittee (Met tonight at 5:30 p.m.): Chairman Nearen recognized Subcommittee Chairman Eric Erskine. Mr. Erskine recommended a proposal presented to the subcommittee on ways of cutting the budget and recommended the approval of said recommendations which were explained by Superintendent-Director James P. Quaglia. The recommendations will affect clerical, maintenance and an aid position. No positions, or names, were mentioned. Individuals will be advised tomorrow. Following in depth discussion, a full-committee vote was taken on the recommendation of the subcommittee.
    - Warrant Subcommittee – Subcommittee Chairman Eric C. Erskine. – Recommended warrant approval from review of invoicing with a recommendation that the Business Manager research the “Boston Globe” subscription.
    - Curriculum & Advisory Subcommittee – Subcommittee Chairman Charles W. Flahive stated that he wishes to meet and get some more questions answered on “numbers”. This being said, Joanne will set up a meeting before the next full DSC Meeting.

9. Administrative Reports (As needed.)

9.1 Assistant Superintendent/Personnel and Business - Mr. Steven M. Moore was recognized by Chairman Nearen.

➤ FY20 Budget – No guests appeared at this budget hearing.

- Change of Dental Insurance Plans – Mr. Moore addressed the Committee on a proposed altus dental Plan, replacing the existing. There is no impact on the District with this change, other than recipients receiving better for less. Mr. Moore will meet with others on this matter before finalization.

9.2 Principal – Ms. Jill M. Rossetti – Not available. A weekly Newsletter is provided to all members each week by Jill.

9.3 Superintendent/Director - Mr. James P. Quaglia will be setting up the School-to-Careers meeting.

10. Unfinished Business and New Business – None.

11. Discussion or Suggestions for the Good of the District, including newsworthy educational items. – N/A

12. An executive session was unnecessary.

13. Adjournment Secretary Eric C. Erskine moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:53 p.m. Member Kevin L. Connolly seconded the motion. Motion was taken to a vote and UNANIMOUSLY

VOTED: to adjourn the meeting at 7:53 p.m.

**Next full-committee meeting date: Tuesday, April 23, 2019, at 7 p.m. This will be conducted at Blue Hills Regional District School New Meeting Room (W218) previously known as ROOM 207A and is a SPECIAL Meeting.**

**Eric C. Erskine**

*Joanne Doyle Zuzhowski*  
**Respectfully recorded and submitted by:**

*4-24-19  
amendment implemented.*



**ATTENDANCE SHEET/RECORD**

**54th District School Committee**

**REGULAR SCHEDULE MEETING**

**AND FY20 BUDGET HEARING**

**Tuesday, APRIL 2, 2019**

**Please Print your Name and  
affiliation below. Thank you**

IF YOU WISH TO SPEAK, PLEASE PUT A ✓ BESIDE YOUR  
NAME.

1. Kathy Dowd
2. Alanna DeMorat
4. Brianna Lynch
5. Jamie Aristodem BOB
6. Wapaemi Wariboko
7. Brent Jenn BHEA
8. Nicole Flinn BHEA
9. Ryan Kitt
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