

BLUE HILLS REGIONAL DISTRICT SCHOOL COMMITTEE

800 Randolph Street

Canton, MA 02021-9103

"Fifty-Fifth 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; 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 Vice Chairman Secretary District Treasurer Student Representative Thomas R. Polito, Jr. Eric C. Erskine Michael C. Franzosa Charles J. Gisondi Mr. Galen P. Galeotos

SUBCOMMITTEES * (Appointed by Chairman Thomas R. Polito, Jr., 8.20.19)

ATHLETIC & EXTRACURRICULAR	Members Flahive, Fistori, Franzosa
BUILDINGS, FACILITIES, SAFETY AND SECURITY	Members Connolly, Erskine, Maguire & Polito
CURRICULUM & ADVISORY -	Members Connolly, Maguire, O'Malley
EVALUATION -	Members Fistori, O'Malley, Polito and Nearen
FINANCE & ADMINISTRATION -	Members Erskine, Franzosa, O'Malley, Polito,
PERSONNEL & NEGOTIATIONS -	Members Connolly, Erskine, Nearen and Polito
POLICY -	Members Nearen, Fistori and O'Malley
WARRANT -	Members Erskine, Flahive and Maguire
School MSBA -	Members Connolly, Maguire, Erskine and Polito
WEBSITE & TECHNOLOGY	Members Connolly, Flahive, Fransoza 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 (Thomas R. Polito, Jr.) of the District School Committee

serves as *Ex-officio* member on all subcommittees.

PLEASE NOTE SUBCOMMITTEE MEETINGS PRIOR TO FULL-COMMITTEE MEETING

<u>Meetings conducted in the School Committee Meeting Room, Room W218</u> (Formerly 207A, William T. Buckley District School Committee Meeting Room)

*Subcommittee Meeting(s), prior TO full-committee meeting.

6:30 p.m.: Review of the backup information for the Warrant by the Warrant Subcommittee

MINUTES – MEETING – TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 5, 2019, REGULAR Schedule 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.

The Blue Hills Regional Vocational School **Fifty-Fifth District School Committee Special Meeting** was called to order, at 7:04 p.m., **on Tuesday, November 5, 2019** at the Blue Hills Regional Vocational Technical School, **William T. Buckley District School Committee Board Room, also known as Room W218,** 800 Randolph Street, Canton, Massachusetts by **Chairman Thomas R. Polito**, **Jr**. Ordinarily Regular Schedule Meetings of the District School Committees are conducted on the 1st and 3rd Tuesdays of each month. Any meetings conducted outside of the aforementioned time frame are "SPECIAL Meetings". Meetings will be audio and video recorded, upon the completion of the renovation project. At this time, an audio recording assists with minute preparation. Joanne's recording, stenographically, will be supported with an audio recording. This meeting, as always, adheres to all the conditions of the Open Meeting Law. (**Open Meeting Law regulations, 940 CMR 29.00-29.11).**

1. **Pledge of Allegiance** was recited. Chairman Polito called the meeting to order at 7:03 p.m., along with roll call and announced that agenda items may be called out of order if necessary, at the discretion of the Chairman. Roll call follows:

Aidan Maguire	Michael Franzosa
Tom Polito	Kevin Connolly
Matthew P. O'Malley	Charles Flahive (Absent)
Charles J. Gisondi, Treasurer	Joanne Doyle Kuzborski Recording Secretary
	Tom Polito Matthew P. O'Malley

Attendance Members:

Others in Attendance:

Superintendent-Director Jill Rossetti

Principal Geoffrey L. Zini, Athletic Director Ed Catabia, Academic Director Paul Bavuso

Joe Burke, Quinn Peters, Tarshice Johnson, Liz Fiascone, Jane O'Malley, Connor O'Malley, Ana Peach, Rick Montgomery, Nicole Flynn, Lauren White, Kathy Dowd, Wapaemi Wariboko, Katie Lovell

Chairman Thomas R. Polito, Jr., recognized Principal Geoffrey L. Zini. Principal Zini

proceeded to introduce the following new employees:

Dr. Paul Bavuso - Academic Director Ashley Casey - English teacher Daniel Frank - Engineering teacher Tarshia Johnson - Instructional Learning Aide, Cosmetology Connor O'Malley - Vocational Resource Aide Lauren White - Math teacher

Members of the District School Committee wished great success to the newest members of the Blue Hills' Community.

- 2. Public Comment: None.
- 3. Treasurer: Mr. Charles J. Gisondi was recognized by Chairman Polito.
 - Warrant Subcommittee Chairman Eric C. Erskine recommended the approval of the Warrant.

Vice Chairman Eric C. Erskine moved to approve FY20 Warrant Number #7, Vouchers 1020-1021, dated 11.5.2019 in the amount of \$1,305,500.20. Motion was seconded by Member Kevin L. Connolly. Motion was taken to a vote and it was **UNANIMOUSLY**

VOTED: to approve FY20 Warrant Number #7, Vouchers 1020-1021, dated 11.5.2019 in the amount of \$1,305,500.20.

- 4. Student Representative Mr. Galen Patrick Galeotos was recognized by Chairman Polito. and congratulated by the full committee for his election to the Committee. Mr. Galeotos prepared a PowerPoint Presentation (Attached) detailing recent and future student/school activities and events. Mr. Galeotos stated that he continues to look forward to his interactions with the District School Committee.
- Minute Approval: Member Kevin L. Connolly moved to approve the minutes of the 10.15.19 meeting. Member Marybeth Nearen, seconded the motion. Motion to approve the minutes was taken to a vote and it was UNANIMOUSLY

VOTED: to approve the DSC Minutes of the 10.1.19 meeting.

6. DSC Chair Report -

Meeting Nights: Chairman Polito addressed the Committee with a proposal to change the regular meeting nights from the 1st and 3rd Tuesdays of each month to the first and third WEDNESDAYS for December 2019 and January 2020; with a return to TUESDAYS in February 2020. There was extensive discussion regarding this possibility. Following discussions and voiced opinions, Chairman Polito accepted a motion from Vice-Chairman Eric C. Erskine to change the regular meeting nights from the 1st and 3rd Tuesdays of each month to the first and third WEDNESDAYS for December 2019 and January 2020; with a return to TUESDAYS for December 2019. The motion was seconded by Member Matt O'Malley. The motion was taken to a vote and FAILED BY MAJORITY VOTE.

MASC/MASS JOINT CONFERENCE: Chairman Thomas R. Polito, Jr., reminded the Committee that the conference MASC Conference, November 6-9, 2019 at the Resort Inn of Hyannis, MA. Vice Chairman Eric C. Erskine moved to appoint Chairman Polito as delegate and Member Nearen as alternate member at this years's conference conducted in Hyannis, Massachusetts. Six members had indicated their plan to attend this professional development event. Member Nearen stated that the round-table opportunities are extremely beneficial for members.

Business Manager Search: Chairman Polito reported on the status. The search continues. Although an Executive Session was suggested, it did not materialize.

- 7. **Subcommittee Reports**: The Warrant Subcommittee meets before every full Committee to review invoicing involved with submitted warrants.
 - Warrant Subcommittee recommended approval of the warrant as submittedAdministrative Reports (As needed.)
 - Policy Subcommittee: Subcommittee Chairman Nearen recommended the approval of the reviewed and renewed Policy Manual. Following recommendation, Chairman Polito accepted a motion from Member Aidan G. Maguire, Jr., to approve the Policy Book as submitted and reviewed. Motion was seconded by Member Kevin L. Connolly. Motion was taken to a vote and it was UNANIMOUSLY VOTED: to approve the Policy Book as submitted and reviewed.

8. Administrative Reports (as Needed.)

8.1 Assistant Superintendent/Personnel and Business - Mr. Steven M. Moore – Presented the FY21 Budget Meeting Calendar. Chairman Polito entertained a motion to approve this Calendar. Member Nearen moved to accept the FY21 Budget Calendar. Motion was seconded by Member Connolly. Motion was taken to a vote and it was UNANIMOUSLY

VOTED: to accept the FY21 Budget Calendar.

A Finance & Administration Subcommittee Meeting will be scheduled and posted for Tuesday, November 19, 2019 at 6 p.m. to discuss FY21 Budget Goals and First Quarter FY20 results.

8.2 **Principal – Principal Geoffrey L. Zini** Reported: There was a police incident in Dedham (this past) Friday that caused us to hold back several students on Dedham buses. Principal Zini made a connect ed call to all Dedham families that afternoon. We also secured transportation after the all-clear was given by the Dedham Police for two students who could not get immediate rides home. This was a very fluid situation many thanks to Officer Connor and Mr. Cavanaugh for their leadership in making sure our students were safe.

- OPEN HOUSE: Mr. Zini stated that the Annual Open House is tomorrow (11.6) from 5:30 pm 7:30 p.m. Mr. Zini extended thanks to Director of Admissions Marybeth Joyce for the tremendous accomplishment performed with readying this event.
- General Advisory Meeting: Thursday, November 14, 2019 from 5:30 p.m. 7:30 p.m. will greet the first General Advisory Committee Meeting for this school year. All members of the DSC are most welcome to attend this event.

8.3 **Superintendent/Director: Ms. Jill M. Rossetti** was recognized by Chairman Polito. Ms.Rossetti stated that all is well at school. Ms. Rossetti continues to consistently tour the facility observing construction progress, along with members of the School Building Committee. Progress is perpetuating.

 Request for PD in Madrid: Principal Rossetti spoke on behalf of a PD event in January for Ms. Ana Peach and a second teacher. This event is entirely self funded and will benefit the students of the Blue Hills' Regional School. Following conclusion, questions and answers, Chairman Polito moved the question. Member Kevin L. Connolly moved to approve the PD event, as presented. Motion was seconded by Vice-Chairman Erskine. Motion was taken to a vote and it was UNANIMOUSLY

VOTED: to approve the PD event, as presented.

11. Unfinished Business and New Business -

- The search committee continues its search for a Business Manager.
- 12. Discussion or Suggestions for the Good of the District, Including newsworthy educational items None.
- 13. An executive session was cancelled.

14. At 7:47 p.m., the Committee adjourned. Chairman Tom Polito accepted a motion from Member Aidan Maguire to adjourn. Motion was seconded by Member Michael Franzosa. MOTION was taken to a vote and passed UNANIMOUSLY.

Next <u>Regular Schedule Meeting</u> will be conducted on Tuesday, November 19, 2019 @ 7 p.m.

Thomas R. Polito, Jr., Chairman

Michael C. Franzosa, Secretary

Respectfully submitted and recorded:

Joanne Doyle Kuzborski, Recording Secretary

Note: Attachment is provided with the minutes.