



**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 Patrick Galeotos (GRADUATED June 9,2020)**

**As appointed by Chairman Thomas R. Polito, Jr., on August 20, 2019**

SUBCOMMITTEES \*  
ATHLETIC & EXTRACURRICULAR  
BUILDINGS, FACILITIES, SAFETY AND SECURITY  
CURRICULUM & ADVISORY -  
EVALUATION -  
FINANCE & ADMINISTRATION -  
PERSONNEL & NEGOTIATIONS -  
POLICY -  
WARRANT -  
School MSBA -  
WEBSITE & TECHNOLOGY

Members  
Members Flahive, Fistori, Franzosa  
Members Connolly, Erskine, Maguire & Polito  
Members Connolly, Maguire, O’Malley  
Members Fistori, O’Malley, Polito and Nearen  
Members Erskine, Franzosa, O’Malley, Polito,  
Members **Polito**, Connolly, Erskine,  
Members **Nearen**, Fistori, and O’Malley  
Members **Maguire**, Erskine, Flahive  
Members **Polito**, Connolly, Maguire and Erskine  
Members Connolly, Flahive, 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.

Conducted pursuant to the Executive Order dated March 12, 2020 suspending certain Provisions of the Open Meeting Law, Gen. L. c. 30A §20 et seq. and 940 CMR 29.01 et seq.

**TUESDAY, REGULAR MEETING. TUESDAY, JUNE 16, 2020**

PLEASE NOTE SUBCOMMITTEE MEETING(S) PRIOR TO FULL-COMMITTEE MEETING

**THIS MEETING WILL BE CONDUCTED USING ZOOM TECHNOLOGY**

The following topics represent what the chair, Thomas R. Polito, Jr., of the Blue Hills Regional District School Committee reasonably anticipated will be discussed at this meeting at the time the AGENDA was posted. The Chairman also has the ability to call items out of order, at his discretion.

**MINUTES OF JUNE 16, 2020 ZOOM MEETING**



**TUESDAY, JUNE 16, 2020**  
**REGULAR Schedule Meeting MINUTES (ZOOM)**  
**At 7:00 PM**

**This SPECIAL ZOOM meeting may be abbreviated.**

*Due to the ongoing COVID-19 Pandemic and State of Emergency, on March 12, 2020, Governor Baker issued an Executive Order Temporarily Suspending Certain Provisions of the Open Meeting Law, G.L. c. 30A sec. 20. Pursuant to the Order, public bodies are temporarily relieved from the Open Meeting Law's requirement that meetings be held in public places, open and physically accessible to the public, so long as measures are taken to ensure public access to the bodies' deliberations "through adequate, alternative means."*

*This meeting WAS accessible to the public via Zoom Video*

Topic: School Committee Meeting 6/16/2020

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**7:00 p.m.**

1. **Roll Call** called by Chairman Thomas R. Polito, Jr.

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**DSC Agenda REGULAR SCHEDULE MEETING**  
**TUESDAY, JUNE 16, 2020 ZOOM**

**ALSO PRESENT:** Treasurer Charles J. Gisondi, Superintendent-Director Jill M. Rossetti, Business Manager Michelle Resendes, Principal Geoffrey L. Zini, Facility Manager David Galego, Director of Academics Paul Barvuso, IT Manager Matt Eisen, SPED Director Angelo Dimitriou. Director of Admissions Marybeth Joyce, Athletic Director Ed Catabia, Director of Vocational Programs Michelle Sylvia.

**✦ AND:**

Ana Peach, Patrice Adams, Grace Quiterio, Brian Geary, Kathy Manning, Jill Bearse, Rich Spada, Melissa, Mike Sheehan, Vicki DiMeo, Quinn Peters, Cindy Fama, Linda Varasso, Matthew Moriss, Caroline Dynan, Elaine Couto, Jen Braga, Cleggett, Bess, JG, Stephanie Mayne, Joann Murphy Courtney Wall, #1?

**✦ Note:** Attendance may not be perfect as some attendants were identified by phone instead of names.

2. **Treasurer:** Mr. Charles J. Gisondi - No Report.
3. **Warrant:** Member Kevin L. Connolly moved to approve FY20 Warrant #18, dated June 16, 2020 in the amount of \$2,713,321.40. Motion was seconded by Member Marybeth Nearen. Motion was taken to a **ROLL-CALL VOTE** and it was **UNANIMOUSLY**

**VOTED:** to approve FY20 Warrant #18, dated June 16, 2020 in the amount of \$2,713,321.40.

**Members Voting:**

**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**

- Member Aidan G. Maguire, Jr. requested an itemized rendering of school counsel charges rather than a total.

4. **Public Comment** – None.
5. **Minute Approval:** Chairman Polito moved for the approval of the 5.19.20 Zoom DSC Meeting. Vice Chairman Eric C. Erskine moved to accept the minutes as presented and recorded. Motion was seconded by Member Kevin L. Connolly. With no discussion, the motion was taken to a ROLL-CALL VOTE and was UNANIMOUSLY

**VOTED:** to approve the 5.19.20 Zoom DSC Meeting.

**Members Voting:**

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6. **DSC Chair Report**
  - **School Building Update** – Thursday, June 18, 2020 at 12:00 p.m. an additional meeting will be conducted.

- Dave Galego said this coming Monday, will be the chiller start. Chairman Polito, also the Chairman of the School Building Committee will keep the full committee advised. Warantee will begin with successful run of the chiller.

7. **Subcommittee Reports** (As needed.)

- **Finance & Administration** – FY20 AND FY21 DISCUSSION and School Spending. The Finance & Administration Subcommittee have conducted meetings, in executive session to re-evaluate the FY21 Budget, with cuts; in anticipation of Chapter 70 State cuts, Covid-19 impacts, resulting in the termination of 7.5 positions, including the DSC Recording Secretary. The recording secretary employee will require a full-committee vote. Member Fran Fistori and Member Charles W. Flahive stated that this is the first time they have heard of this plan.

Business Manager Michelle Resendes and Superintendent-Director Jill M. Rossetti presented a Power Point Presentation on the objectives and plan on the Covid-19 FY21 Budget Plan. This report may be requested from the Business Manager and Superintendent. Following discussion the adjusted FY21, as presented was taken to a vote. Member Marybeth Nearen moved to accept, as presented. Motion was seconded by Member Kevin L. Connolly. Motion was taken to a vote and it was **UNANIMOUSLY, BY**

**ROLL-CALL VOTE**

**VOTED:** To accept the Covid-19 FY21 Budget Plan, as presented.

**Members voting:**

**Francis J. Fistori, Avon. Eric C. Erskine, Braintree; Aidan G. Maguire, Jr., Canton  
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- **Personnel & Negotiation** – Meetings had been conducted in executive session, prior to this report. The Covid-19 FY21 Budget, includes the layoff of the Recording Secretary. This particular elimination requires a vote from the full committee. Following discussion, a motion was made to eliminate the Recording Secretary position, effective July 1, 2020, (the beginning of FY21). A motion was made by Member Marybeth Nearen to eliminate this position due to Covid-19 Budget Constraints. Member Kevin L. Connolly seconded the motion. A vote was taken and it was by ROLL-CALL

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- **MAJORITY VOTE : VOTED:** to eliminate the Recording Secretary position due to Covid-19 Budget Constraints.

**Voted aye/yes:**

**Eric C. Erskine, Braintree; Thomas R. Polito, Jr., Dedham; Michael C.**

**Franzosa, Holbrook; Matthew P. O'Malley, Milton; Kevin L. Connolly, Norwood;**

**Marybeth Nearen, Randolph and**

**Members abstaining:**

**Francis J. Fistori, Avon, Aidan G. Maguire, Jr., Canton, Charles W. Flahive,  
Westwood**

**8. Organization of the 56<sup>th</sup> District School Committee (Effective July 1, 2020)**

**Nominations and Elections of Officers of the 56th District School Committee were by UNANIMOUS ROLL- CALL VOTES:**

- Chairman, Thomas R. Polito, Jr. (Canton)
- Vice Chairman, Eric C. Erskine (Braintree)
- Secretary, Michael C. Franzosa (Holbrook)

**Members voting:**

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**9. Administrative Reports (As needed.)**

**9.1 Business Manager** – Ms. Michelle Resendes was recognized by Chairman Thomas R. Polito, Jr.

Ms. Resendes stated that the "First Student" Bus funding matter has been settled and is with the school's lawyer now. A 30% amendment is expected.

**9.2 Principal** – Mr. Geoffrey Zini was recognized by Chairman Polito. Mr. Zini reported on the success of the Tuesday, June 9, 2020 Graduation Ceremony. The event was very successful. Mr. Zini expressed his appreciation to the Committee for their support and to all other volunteers that participated. Special appreciation was extended to Chairman Polito for the personal gift he provided to each graduate.

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9.3 Superintendent/Director: Ms. Jill M. Rossetti

- **COVID-19 Update** – Chairman Polito recognized Superintendent-Director Jill M. Rossetti. Ms. Rossetti is in constant contact with the DESE for school opening information. Ms. Rossetti is setting a Task Force to be prepared for upcoming school open decisions.
- **Building Director** David Galeto reported that his Maintenance and Custodial Teams are working fastidiously to prepare for the school doors to open.
- **Retirements:** Ms. Rossetti praised two retiring employees. Ms. Elaine Couto, Early Education Teacher, and Mrs. Melody Hagg, Human Resources Director. Both employees contributed substantially to the goals and objectives of the Blue Hills Regional District.

10. **Unfinished Business:** None

11. **New Business:** Chairman Polito stated that the **next DSC Meeting** will be conducted on **Tuesday, July 21, 2020 at 7 p.m.**

12. An executive session was not called.

13. **Adjournment** was called by Chairman Thomas R. Polito, Jr., by **ROLL-CALL VOTE AT 8:12 p.m.**

Motion was made by Member Francis J. Fistori to adjourn. Motion was seconded by Member Charles W. Flahive. Motion to adjourn passed UNANIMOUSLY

**Members Voting:**

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Michael C. Franzosa Secretary	Thomas R. Polito, Jr. Chairman
Joanne Doyle Kuzborski Recording Secretary	

**Meeting Minutes Approved by the District School Committee on August 18, 2020.**

**Pamela Donnellan, Administrative Secretary to the Superintendent Director**

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