

Brunswick School Board

MINUTES

Wednesday, July 8, 2015

7:00 p.m.

Council Chambers

Town Hall

85 Union Street

School Board Members Present: Joy Prescott, Vice Chair; Brenda Clough; Janet Connors; Richard Ellis; James Grant; Chris McCarthy; Corinne Perreault; Sarah Singer

School Board Members Absent: William Thompson, Chair; Molly Gramins, student liaison

Staff Members Present: Paul Perzanoski, Superintendent; Jim Oikle, Business Manager; Paul Caron, Director of Facilities and Transportation; Walter Wallace, BJHS Principal; Steve Ciembroniewicz, Coffin School Principal

Guests: Lyndon Keck, PDT Architects; Brunswick Police Officer, Terry Goan; members of the community and press.

Call to Order/Pledge of Allegiance/Roll Call

Ms. Prescott called the meeting to order at 7:00p.m., led the Pledge of Allegiance and asked for a roll call.

Pledge of Allegiance

Attendance/Roll Call

Adjustment to the Agenda

The superintendent asked to:

add Heather Audette to his resignation report.

remove Region 10 Board Meeting from the Committee Report.

remove Item #61, Consideration of Approval of Strategic Plan Contract resulting from the RFP.

Consent Agenda Action

Item on the Consent Agenda passed unanimously without objection.

***57. Consideration of Approval of the Minutes of June 10, 2015**

Consideration of Approval of the Minutes of June 18, 2015 Special Meeting on Facilities

Consideration of Approval of the Minutes of June 22, 2015 Executive Session

Old Business

Consideration of Discussion and Possible Action on Repair Project of BJHS and Coffin School

On June 18 there was a joint meeting with the town council regarding repair project to BJHS and Coffin School. We would like some direction from the Board tonight as to extent of repairs, new portables or possible addition to building itself. A packet of information was provided to the Board members. A great deal of discussion took place. Lyndon Keck also answered questions from the Board members.

58. To look at a bond option to build a new school at the Jordan Acres sight to service elementary population.

Motion: Ellis Second: Perreault will second only if amendment to include money to repair BJHS is added.

58a. (Amendment to #58): To look at a bond option to build a new school at the Jordan Acres sight to service elementary population and complete repairs to BJHS.

Motion: Ellis Second: Perreault Vote: 2-6 (Connor, Grant, McCarthy, Perreault, Prescott, Singer opposed)

Vote failed.

59. To obtain a bond for \$9.1 million for noted repairs but not to include 12 room modular unit.

Motion: Ellis Second: McCarthy

59a. (Amendment to #59): To add 12 room modular unit.

Motion: Singer Second: Perreault Vote: Unanimous of Board members present
Amendment passes.

59b. (Amendment to #59): To add not to exceed \$9.1 million plus cost for 12 room modular unit.

Motion: McCarthy Second: Grant Vote: 7-1 (Ellis,opposed)
Amendment passes.

59c. (Amendment to #59): To amend amount to not to exceed \$10,194,829 million to do repairs and include light cosmetics, plus additional cost associated with adding 12 room modular unit.

Motion: Ellis Second: McCarthy Vote: 5-3 (Clough, Prescott, Connors opposed)
Amendment passes.

Public Opinion: Naomi Decorsi, parent of first grader, would like us to go beyond basic safety standards.

59. (Amended): To obtain a bond not to exceed \$10,194,829 million for repairs and necessary beautification of Coffin School and BJHS, plus additional cost associated with adding 12 room modular unit with the oversight of the facilities committee .

Motion: Ellis Second: McCarthy Vote: 7-1 (Clough opposed)

Motion Passed.

Communications/Correspondence

Ms. Singer received correspondence regarding repairs to the buildings supporting long-term solution rather than a short-term fix.

Public Participation

Community member, Richard Pisca, stated we do not need an architect, but need a maintenance man to start taking care of "laundry list".

Superintendent's Report

a. Building and Equipment Use:

- Midcoast Maine Basketball, BHS
 - Stonecoast MFA at USM, Crooker Theater
- (no other new organizations using the buildings at this time)

b. Recognition:

Mr. & Mrs. Pietraho made a donation to the BJHS Math Department.

Mr. Perzanoski thanked them for their generosity.

c. Resignation:

- Marie Larson, Social Foundations Teacher, BJHS, 4 yrs. of service

Resignation for the purpose of Retirement:

- Kay Reddy, Resource Ed Tech, HBS, 35 yrs. of service
- Heather Audette, Special Ed Teacher, HBS,

Mr. Perzanoski thanked them for their service and wished them well.

d. Budget Report – Mr. Oikle

Mr. Oikle reported that the servers have been down but no data was compromised or lost due to this. The state has given us an additional subsidy of approximately \$502,000 for the 15-16 budget year. We will not spend it but will place it in unappropriated fund balance for next year if we need it.

e. Director of Student Services Update

Mr. Perzanoski reported that applications concluded on July 2 and a search committee has been formed. Mr. Wallace and Ms. Skorapa will chair the committee which is comprised of Staff, School Board members, and community members. They hope to interview next week. If any School Board member has any qualifications that are important to them for this position, please notify Mr. Ellis.

The new Assistant Superintendent, Pender Makin, will start tomorrow.

Board Chair's Report

Ms. Prescott read the Superintendent's letter regarding Region 10 Technical High School.

Committee Reports

None

New Business

60. Consideration of the Superintendent's Nomination of Teachers for 2015-2016 School Year

Vote to elect the following teachers for the 2015-16 school year:

Erin Lemont, Kindergarten Teacher, Coffin Elementary School
 Alexandra Fish, Grade 1 Teacher, Coffin Elementary School
 Amelia Kiely, Grade 3 Teacher, HBS
 Thomas Stocker, Science Teacher, BHS
 Rebecca McKarns, Special Ed. Dept Head, BHS (transfer)

Motion: Grant Second: McCarthy Vote: Unanimous of Board members present

61. Consideration of Approval of Strategic Plan Contract resulting from the RFP

(Item 61 removed from agenda)

Calendar/Announcements


There will be a Finance Committee meeting tomorrow at 8:15a.m. at Hawthorne School.

Future Agenda Items

None

Adjournment

By unanimous consent the meeting adjourned at 8:38p.m.


 Paul K. Perzanoski, Secretary