

Brunswick School Board
MINUTES
Wednesday, February 8, 2017

*** Executive Session at 6:30 p.m. ***

Regular Meeting 7:00 p.m.
Council Chambers
Town Hall
85 Union Street

School Board Members Present: Joy Prescott, Chair; James Grant, Vice Chair; Teresa Gillis; Mandy Merrill; Corinne Perreault; Sarah Singer (arrived at 7:03 pm); Elizabeth Sokoloff; Benjamin Tucker; William Thompson; Elina Woolever (arrived at 6:57 pm), Student Liaison

School Board Members Absent: Stephen Backman, Student Liaison;

Staff Members Present: Paul Perzanoski, Superintendent; Pender Makin, Assistant Superintendent; Kelly Wentworth, Business Manager; Shanna Crofton, BHS Principal; Martin Mackey, REAL School Principal; Brian Pressley, BEA President/BHS Teacher; Susan Alexander, Administrative Assistant

Guests: Brunswick Police officer; community members; and members of the press.

Call to Order/Pledge of Allegiance/Roll Call

Ms. Prescott called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m., led the Pledge of Allegiance and asked for a roll call.

Executive Session

10. Consideration of Executive Session and Possible Action

Vote to enter executive session pursuant to 1 MRSA 405(6) (A) for the purpose of personnel matters.

Added to agenda:

11. Consideration of Executive Session and Possible Action

Vote to enter executive session for the purpose of negotiations pursuant to 1 M.R.S.A. 405 (6) (D).

Motion to enter executive session.

Motion: Thompson

Second: Gillis

Vote: unanimous by Board members present

Approved to enter executive session.

The Board entered executive session at 6:32 p.m.

The Board reconvened in public session at 6:59 p.m.

Action from executive session

Motion to approve a leave of absence for teacher Pam King
 Motion to approve the Educational Technician contract from August 1, 2016 to July 31, 2017.

Motion: Grant Second: Thompson Vote: 8-0-1 (Singer abstained)

Approved leave of absence for Pam King.
 Approved Educational Technician contract from August 1, 2016 to July 31, 2017.

Adjustment to the Agenda

None

Consent Agenda Action

Items on the Consent Agenda passed unanimously without objection.

- *12. Consideration of Approval of the Minutes of January 11, 2017
 Consideration of Approval of the Special Meeting Minutes of January 25, 2017

- *13. Consideration of Appointment of Certification Support Team Members

The staff mentors listed are recommended by the Professional Learning Communities Support System (Certification Committee). Changes of mentors have occurred because of additional staff members and/or to allow others to mentor as some present mentors had more than two mentees. Please approve the Superintendent’s nominations of the following Certification Support Team Members:

<u>SCHOOL</u>	<u>STAFF MEMBER</u>	<u>MENTOR</u>	<u>YEAR</u>
Coffin	Minh Canfield	Shannon Erb	1 st year
	Emily Borchers	Charlotte Mastropasqua	1 st year
BJHS	Kamis Ley	Carolyn Foley	2 nd year

Old Business

None

Communications/Correspondence

Continuing to get letters from the public regarding school construction.

Public Participation

None

Superintendent’s Report

- a. Building and Equipment:
 - Aspire Program - use of HBS
 - Brunswick Parks and Recreation – use of schools
 - Bath Area Family YMCA – use of high school cafeteria
 - Girl Scouts of America – use of schools
 - Big Brothers Big Sisters – use of HBS
 - Simpson’s Point Children’s Theater – use of HBS Cafeteria
 - Merrymeeting Adult Education - use of BHS
 - Brunswick Democratic Town Committee - use of Hawthorne
 - Alma-Lea's Dance Studio - use of Crooker Theater/Cafeteria
 - Sage Swingers Square and Round Dance Club - use of BJHS
 - Brunswick Bay Board Meeting - use of BHS

Midcoast Symphony Orchestra - use of Crooker Theater
 Brunswick Police Department - use of BHS
 PSO Kinderkonzert – use of Crooker Theater

- b. Donations:
- Yamaha Student Trombone to BJHS from Mary Owens
 - Monetary donation to BJHS from Mr. Mark Battle and Ms. Kathryn Thorson
- Thank them for their generosity.
- c. Recognition:
- BHS Scholastic Art Award
 Gold Key, Silver Key, and Honorable Mention winners were named and congratulated. Their works will be on display at the Maine College of Art on Friday.
- d. Resignation:
- Stacy Musica, HBS Math Interventionist, 2 ½ years of service
- e. Resignation for the purpose of retirement:
- Sharon Kloss, BJHS Math Strategist, 18 years of service
 - Lynette Kiernan-Ghoreyeb, BHS Teacher, 14 years of service
- Best of luck to all of them and thank you for your contributions.
- f. Arts Are Elementary Update – Kristi Hatrick and Kate Kalajainen
 AAE is a 36 year old Brunswick non-profit organization whose primary mission is to provide every K-5 classroom in Brunswick with their own teaching artist and their own art residency. An update was given of the work students have done with AAE since November of last year. They also went over their schedule for the remainder of this year. The selection process was explained as well as expenses, income and fundraising.
- g. Budget Report – K. Wentworth
 This month's budget sheet was explained. Work is continuing on the 2018 budget requests.
- h. DOE Efficiency Grant – P. Makin
 Our district has contacted neighboring districts, RSU 5, MSAD 75, RSU 1, West Bath School, and Wiscasset, to come together to develop a plan for cost efficiencies for transporting students under the McKinney-Vento Act and out-of-district placement. Work is continuing on a grant which is due the end of next week.
- i. Substitute Job Fair – P. Makin
 Along with the neighboring districts, RSU 5, MSAD 75, RSU 1, West Bath School, and Wiscasset, we are holding a Substitute Job Fair for people interested in substituting. We are hosting it at HBS on Saturday morning, March 11.
- j. Letter of Intent for REAL School building – P. Perzanoski
 The Board was asked to review the letter of intent for the REAL School building to move the program from Mackworth Island to the site on the old base.

Board Chair's Report

- a. Student Liaison Report – Elina Woolever
 Next week is winter carnival, spirit week at BHS. Eighteen students have already signed up for a wrestling program at BJHS that was recently approved. The Jewell Team at BJHS received a grant from the Casco Bay Estuary Partnership for their Casco Bay Interdisciplinary unit. HBS third

graders have been working with AAE. Coffin has a program called CUBS: Caught You Being Kind, Safe, and Responsible. They just reached a new record of 1500 student recognitions.

b. Board Objectives

Board members received a summary of the discussion held at the January workshop, where objectives were discussed. The adopted vision was read.

Committee Reports

a. Facilities & Maintenance Committee – S. Singer

They will be meeting March 16th at 3:30pm with the Town Finance Committee. There will be a proposal going to the committee for a regular report on building maintenance, so this will be a future agenda item.

b. Budget & Finance Committee – B. Tucker

The committee met this evening. There was discussion regarding recommendations that the school and town develop a long-term capital plan, and also a 3-year financial plan. The next meeting will be March 8th at 5:30pm and they are planning to do an overview of ED279 state subsidy so encourage Board members to attend.

c. Policy and Planning Committee – J. Prescott

The committee met January 26th and looked over the graduation requirements, IKF.

d. Personnel & Negotiations Committee – P. Perzanoski

The committee discussed job descriptions of the principals, and also discussed negotiations, one of which was voted on tonight, as well as some work agreements.

e. Curriculum & Program Development Committee – C. Perreault

The committee met on February 3rd. An additional PE class at the high school, a coding elective, and the course booklet descriptions were discussed. The next meeting is February 27th at 2pm.

f. Student Services Committee – M. Merrill

The committee met on February 6th. An overview of Student Services was given to the committee as well as clarification of various programs that are available in our schools. Information regarding available programs will be collected and posted to the website. Committee goals were discussed. The committee will be meeting the second Monday of every month.

New Business

14. Consideration of the Superintendent's Teacher Nomination for 2016-2017 School Year

Vote to elect the following Special Education Teachers for the 2016-17 school year:

Sara Nichols, Special Education Teacher, REAL School

Jacie Morrison, Social Worker, Coffin School

Motion: Thompson

Second: Perreault

Vote: unanimous by Board members present

15. Consideration of First and Second Read Policy:

Revised Policy FILE: IKF Graduation Requirements

Due to the time sensitivity of putting this into the new handbook, this will be a first and second read. Changes were explained.

Motion: Thompson

Second: Grant

Vote: unanimous by Board members present

Calendar/Announcements


Town Council voted to hold a public hearing on the referendum for the elementary schools on Tuesday, February 21 at 7pm.

Future Agenda Items

Invite legislature representatives to meet with the Board.

Adjournment

By unanimous consent the meeting adjourned at 7:50 p.m.


Paul K. Perzanoski, Secretary
Brunswick School Board