

**Brunswick School Board**  
**MINUTES**  
Wednesday, October 11, 2017  
Regular Meeting 7:00 p.m.  
**Executive Session following**

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; William Thompson; Elina Woolever, school liaison
- School Board Members Absent: Elizabeth Sokoloff; Benjamin Tucker
- Staff Members Present: Paul Perzanoski, Superintendent; Kelly Wentworth, Business Manager; Shanna Crofton, BHS Principal; Scott Smith, Director of Building, Grounds, and Food Service; Brian Pressley, BHS Teacher; Susan Alexander, Administrative Assistant
- Guests: Brunswick Police officer; Barry Logan; David Watson; other community members; and members of the press.

**Call to Order/Pledge of Allegiance/Roll Call**

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

**Adjustment to the Agenda**

None

**Consent Agenda Action**

Items on the Consent Agenda passed unanimously without objection.

\*87. Consideration of Approval of the Minutes of September 13, 2017

\*88. Consideration of Approval of the Minutes of September 27, 2017 Special Meeting

\*89. Consideration of Appointment of Certification Support Team Members

Teachers new to teaching in Maine work with a mentor for two years as part of the process for professional certification. The staff mentors listed are recommended by the Professional Learning Communities Support System (Certification Committee). 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>     |
|-----------------------|---------------------|--------------------|-----------------|
| Brunswick High School | Sonya Armer         | Margaret Dalrymple | 2 <sup>nd</sup> |
|                       | Mike Misner         | Sarah Campbell     | 2 <sup>nd</sup> |
|                       | Jacob Goldstone     | Andrew McCullough  | 2 <sup>nd</sup> |
|                       | Brad Williams       | Bob Van Milligan   | 1 <sup>st</sup> |
|                       | Patrick Hurley      | Margaret Dalrymple | 1 <sup>st</sup> |

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|---------------------------|-----------------|---------------------------|-----------------|
| Brunswick Jr. High School | Shelly Prophet  | Susanna Sharpe            | 2 <sup>nd</sup> |
|                           | Amy Sanfasin    | Mary Lord                 | 1 <sup>st</sup> |
| Harriet Beecher Stowe     | Kevin Fisher    | Emily Moll                | 2 <sup>nd</sup> |
|                           | Pamela Brewer   | Emily Moll                | 2 <sup>nd</sup> |
|                           | Jill O'Connor   | Vicki Farsaci             | 1 <sup>st</sup> |
|                           | Hanne Gramins   | Kathy Buttner             | 1 <sup>st</sup> |
| Coffin Elementary School  | Kelsey Ketchum  | Joyce Foley/Sharon Harvie | 2 <sup>nd</sup> |
|                           | Minh Canfield   | Shannon Erb               | 2 <sup>nd</sup> |
|                           | Katherine Marro | Libby Hunt                | 1 <sup>st</sup> |
|                           | Coley Stetler   | Charlotte Mastropasqua    | 1 <sup>st</sup> |

### Old Business

None

### Communications/Correspondence

Building Committee continues to receive emails regarding the new construction.

### Public Participation

None

### Superintendent's Report

#### a. Building and Equipment:

- Brunswick Parks and Recreation – use of schools
- Aspire Program - use of HBS
- Merrymeeting Adult Education – use of BHS
- Girl Scouts of America – use of schools
- Girls on the Run - use of HBS
- Arts Are Elementary – use of Hawthorne School
- Brunswick Bay Mobile Home Coop - use of BHS
- BAYFL – use of high school

#### b. Resignations for the purpose of retirement at the end of the 2017-18 school year:

- Lisa Cushman, BJHS Assistant Principal, 31 years of service  
We will miss her contributions and wish her the best of luck.

#### c. Curriculum Coordinator – P. Perzanoski

Mr. Perzanoski welcomed Jay Ketner, the new Curriculum Coordinator who started last Thursday. We are looking forward to his contributions.

#### d. Budget Report – K. Wentworth

Mrs. Wentworth went over the current budget summary sheet.

#### e. RunBrunswick – B. Logan

Mr. Logan is the president of RunBrunswick which is a group of community members who came together about a year ago to organize fundraising activities to support the renovation of the high school track. Their goal is to raise \$900,000. They have already reached a number of milestones which include committee formation of a board and committees; the approval of 501C3 application which allows them to be a legal non-profit organization; formation of a website, runbrunswick.org; and will also soon have a FaceBook page and Instagram account. It has been a team effort.

## f. BHS Wrestling – S. Crofton

BHS and Mt. Ararat High School Coop Wrestling Team was previously approved and the two-year agreement has expired. BHS would like approval to continue the coop team for another two years.

90. Move to approve the BHS Wrestling Coop Team to continue for another 2 years.

Motion: Grant                      Second: Thompson                      Vote: Unanimous of the Board members present

## g. NEASC Update – S. Crofton

BHS is up for their two-year progress report. After the accreditation review 2 years ago, there were recommendations to be addressed immediately and others that were to be addressed over the 5 and 10-year period. Ms. Crofton went over the recommendations and progress toward meeting those recommendations.

## h. Option 6 Update – S. Crofton

Proficiency based statute requires students graduating in class of 2021 to have a diploma based on proficiency based graduation standards. A summary of the progress was given including transparency of learning expectations, multiple pathways, performance indicators, scoring criteria, systems of support for students, student enrichment opportunities, and graduation requirements. BHS was previously asked to have a dual report system which would have the traditional grade and the standards grade on the report card. However, would like approval to have dual record, but not report. The traditional percentage grade would be on the report card, but families and students would see the standards by logging onto PowerSchool. Transcript would show both grades and priority standards. Would also like approval to assess student achievement of standards using the “does not meet / meets” scale instead of a four-point scale. After discussion, there will not be a vote tonight but this will be brought back to the Board at the next meeting with a sample report card and transcript.

i. October 6<sup>th</sup> Professional Development

This past Friday we had a successful professional development program. There was a keynote speaker in the morning and 26 different seminars in the afternoon that teachers could pick from, many of them developed and carried out by members of our own staff.

## j. Superintendent’s Advisory Workgroups Meeting

Workgroups will start meeting on October 18<sup>th</sup> and will be looking at developing programs to increase multi-age opportunities up to grade six, visual and performing arts program, as well as a dual language program starting in kindergarten. We have 24 teachers and administrators that have volunteered to be a part of that process.

k. October 25<sup>th</sup> Workshop

Our four Legislators have been asked to join us at the workshop and three have confirmed they will be here.

**Board Chair’s Report**

## a. Student Liaison Report – E. Woolever

A new student representative will be joining us next month. Ms. Woolever gave a summary of what each grade is working on. There will be a flu clinic this Saturday at HBS from 8am to 1pm. Coffin School’s open house was well attended. The 7<sup>th</sup> annual read-a-thon began today at Coffin. BHS Guidance office is hosting Financial Aid Night on October 25<sup>th</sup> at 6pm in Crooker Theater. A BHS Parent/Guardian forum will be held on October 17<sup>th</sup>.

b. Appointment of Region 10 Board Member

The Board Chair appointed Richard Bray, a former technical education teacher, as Community Representative for the Brunswick School Board on the Region 10 Board.

c. Board Goals

No update on Board goals.

### **Committee Reports**

a. School Building Committee – S. Singer

The committee met on October 5<sup>th</sup>. Review of surveyor bids, and approved contracts for testing proposals as well as a surveyor. They heard public comments about concerns with construction. There were some changes proposed to the floor plan, including a possible reduction of an art room. The architects would like a final sign off on the plan in November. They will be meeting again on October 19<sup>th</sup>. JA demolition is planned for May.

b. Facilities and Maintenance Committee – S. Singer

The committee met this evening. Facilities Director, Scott Smith, gave a review of the capital improvement plan for all of the buildings. We are scheduled for a walk-through by the DOE on November 20<sup>th</sup>. An update on the Coffin School portable was also given.

c. Personnel and Negotiations Committee – J. Grant

The committee met and started to review two groups' contracts in preparation for negotiating with them.

d. Policy & Planning Committee – J. Prescott

The committee met on September 27<sup>th</sup> and received organized policy notebooks. They also looked at which policies they would be reviewing this year. There are 40-50 policies which are neither recommended nor required, so will be looked to see if some may be simplified or eliminated. Looking to also streamline Facilities Policy KF. The committee is scheduled to meet again on November 29<sup>th</sup>.

e. Student Services Committee – M. Merrill

The committee met on September 18<sup>th</sup> and were given an update on changes made at Coffin and BJHS regarding space issues. Martin Mackey gave a summary of the REAL School as they start the year in a new building in Brunswick. Barbara Gunn gave an update on Special Education and shared some concerns regarding a short-staff, and not enough funding for out-of-district placements. The next meeting is scheduled for December 6<sup>th</sup>.

### **New Business**

None

### **Calendar/Announcements**

This year BJHS will be performing a musical, Homeroom, on Friday November 3<sup>rd</sup> and Saturday, November 4<sup>th</sup> at 7pm in the BJHS gym. Tickets are \$8 and only sold at the door.

### **Future Agenda Items**

None

**Executive Session**

91. Consideration of Executive Session

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

Motion to enter executive session.

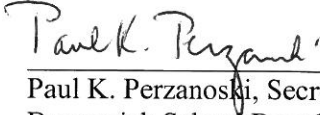
Motion: Grant                      Second: Perreault                      Vote: Unanimous by Board members present

Approved to enter executive session.

The Board entered executive session at 8:15 p.m. The Board will not re-entered public session.

**Adjournment**

Without objection Ms. Prescott declared the meeting adjourned at 9:36 p.m.

  
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Paul K. Perzanoski, Secretary  
Brunswick School Board