

Brunswick School Board  
**MINUTES**  
Wednesday, October 10, 2018  
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; Corinne Perreault; Sarah Singer; Elizabeth Sokoloff; William Thompson; Maddie Wayne, Student Liaison

School Board Members Absent: Mandy Merrill; Benjamin Tucker

Staff Members Present: Paul Perzanoski, Superintendent; Pender Makin, Assistant Superintendent; Kelly Wentworth, Business Manager; Brian Pressley, BHS Teacher; Sue Alexander, Administrative Assistant.

Guests: Community members and members of the press.

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

Ms. Prescott called the meeting to order at 7:01 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.

\*85. Consideration of Approval of the Minutes of September 12, 2018

\*86. Consideration of Approval of the Minutes of September 26, 2018 Workshop

\*87. Policy and Planning Committee

**Consideration of Second Read Policies:**

- a. Revised Policy FILE BCB: Board Member Conflict of Interest
- b. Revised Policy FILE DBJ: Procurement
- c. Revised Policy FILE DJH: Purchasing & Contracting: Procurement Staff Code of Conduct

\*88. Consideration of Appointment of Professional Learning Community Support System (Certification Steering Committee Members)

The staff members listed are recommended for the PLCSS Steering Committee (Certification Steering Committee). Please approve the Superintendent's nominations of the following Members:

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| Brunswick High School Representatives: | Deborah Bartley-Wing<br>Margaret Dalrymple (Committee Secretary)<br>Robert VanMilligan |
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| Brunswick Jr. High School Representatives: | Mary Lord<br>Susanna Sharpe |
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Harriet Beecher Stowe School Representative: Emily Moll (Certification Chairperson)

Coffin Elementary School Representative: Danielle Murphy

## **Old Business**

### **89. Discussion and Possible Action on Emergency Management Plan**

Administrative team went through the Emergency Management Plan over the summer. The content remains the same, codes were replaced as we are no longer using code language.

Move to adopt the Emergency Management Plan

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

## **Communications/Correspondence**

None

## **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
- BAYFL – use of HBS

### **b. Resignations:**

- Nathaniel Goddard, Library Ed Tech, BHS
- Pete Stevens, Talent Development teacher, 14 years of service

We wish them well and thank them for their service.

### **c. New Staff**

- Benjamin Gould, Library Ed Tech, BHS
- Sheryl Palese, Ed Tech, BHS
- Rodney Richard, Ed Tech, BHS
- Shawn Moore, Van Driver/Custodian, REAL School

### **d. Budget Report – K. Wentworth**

The Business Manager reviewed the expenditures through September 30, 2018. We currently do not have a soft freeze.

### **e. Updated SRO Memorandum of Understanding – P. Makin**

Work is in progress. We have been meeting with the SROs and the Deputy Police Chief, along with guidance from the Muskie School of Public Service and the Juvenile Justice Advisory Group, who are both working on a study of best practices when you have law enforcement in schools. The new SRO Memorandum of Understanding will be coming forward for approval soon.

f. Regionalization Project Referendum Question – P. Makin

We are preparing information, press releases, and letters to go out to the public to help voters understand what they are voting on, regarding the referendum question to approve Brunswick School Department's involvement in a Regional Service Center with nine other districts.

g. Letter to the Editor

On September 28 our Police Chief Richard Rizzo wrote a letter to the editor supporting a pre-school program in Brunswick. We would like to thank him publicly for this letter.

h. Parent Partnerships: Navigating the Public Schools

Ms. Makin and Mr. Perzanoski will have a presentation at Coffin School on October 23<sup>rd</sup> at 6:30pm. This presentation is mostly for new parents letting them know who to talk to with particular issues, or who is in charge of what areas, and where they may be located. There will be a PowerPoint presentation which will later be posted on our website.

i. Land and Water Commission Approval by Town Council

The Town Council has approved the concept of moving forward with the application to the grant we are looking at to help fund the track. The application is due November 17. We will continue to update you.

j. October 24<sup>th</sup> and November 28<sup>th</sup> Workshops

There are two Board workshops coming up. On October 24 we will be hearing from Nancy Weed and her staff at Region 10 Technical High School regarding plans for a comprehensive high school. Results of pre-school survey that was just concluded will also be discussed.

On November 28 the Superintendent's Advisory Group on Innovative Programming will give presentations on the three programs that they have been working on: Dual Language Program starting in kindergarten, Visual Performing Arts starting in grade 6-12, and increase in grade levels for multi-age from the current 1/2 to possibly 3/4 or 5/6.

k. 2019 School Board Meeting Schedule

Schedule given to Board members for feedback. They will not be voting on it until January.

### **Board Chair's Report**

a. Student Liaison Report – M. Wayne

The student liaison gave a summary of the many activities that are happening at each school. Open houses have been well attended. Beginning today a new part of this report will be a report of the BHS Student Government meetings. The meeting held today was very brief and school dances were discussed.

b. Board Goals

Per a Board goal, we will begin collecting information on families that have chosen to go to private schools, charter schools, or homeschool, in order to develop a survey to send to these families.

### **Committee Reports**

a. School Building Committee – S. Singer

The committee met on October 4 and received an update on the status of the contractors, the hazardous materials abatement, and a project update. The next meeting will be held on November 8th.

- Kate Furbish Elementary School Groundbreaking Ceremony
- Jordan Acres Elementary School Farewell and Reception

Today was the groundbreaking ceremony for the Kate Furbish Elementary School. It was a nice ceremony attended by about 150 people. Following the groundbreaking, there was a farewell toast to Jordan Acres. A Jordan Acres reception was also held tonight at Hawthorne.

- b. Budget & Finance Committee – B. Tucker  
None

- c. Personnel and Negotiations Committee – J. Grant

The committee met on September 26 and looked at more job descriptions and started to look at a negotiations schedule. They also started to look at the 20-21 budget considerations, and the committee felt strongly that there is a lack of some key personnel positions in the district. With a new school we will be looking at an assistant principal, pre-school classes, expansion of multi-age, dual language classes, civics and electives at the high school, expanding summer school, visual and performing arts 6-12, and a human resources director. The committee hopes that some of these positions can be funded through our budget process.

- d. Policy & Planning Committee – J. Prescott

The committee met on October 4 and considered some administrative team recommendations for potential revisions for our strategic framework goals. The committee recommended that the administration provide some specific language that will be considered at the next policy meeting which will be held on November 1 at 5pm.

- e. Student Services Committee – E. Sokoloff

The committee met on September 21 and got a special education update including behavioral health professionals now working in our school as a result of Connections for Kids. They were also shown the new special education referral forms. They discussed future agenda items which included looking at co-curricula and athletics to insure that all activities and practices align with school board and district goals. Next meeting is October 26 at 9:45am.

### **New Business**

#### **90. Consideration of the Superintendent's Nomination of Teachers for 2018-2019 School Year**

Vote to elect the following teachers for the 2018-19 school year:

- Matthew McGreevy, Instructional Strategist, HBS

Motion: Sokoloff      Second: Singer      Vote: Unanimous of the Board members present.

### **Calendar/Announcements**

Bottle can be donated at the redemption center on Bath Road for the BHS Theater Department.

Saturday, October 13, 8am-2pm: A giant yard sale at Hawthorne benefiting the theater trip to Edinburgh.

October 13, 8am-1pm: public flu clinic

October 13: Coffin's Harvest Festival

October 13, 9am-1pm: car wash fundraiser for HBS

October 17, 7-9pm: Fundraiser for TEAN, *A Show of Hands*, at Frontier Cafe. Food, beverage, live music, movie about TEAN, speakers, and an art auction. Tickets are \$25 for general and \$18 for educators.

October 20: BHS Band fundraiser at Chipotle Mexican Grill in Portland. Bring the flyer to them and buy a burrito and a portion will go toward the band's trip in April, hopefully to Disney.

October 25: Dining evening at Applebee's. 15% of your bill will support the BHS Players.

October 27, 12-2pm: A Zumba Halloween Party at Maine Pines. Donations to support the BHS Players.

November 3: All Elementary Craft Fair at HBS.

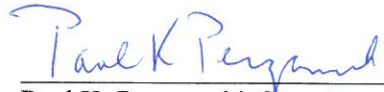
November 15, 16, 17 at 7pm with a 2pm matinee on the 17<sup>th</sup>: BHS fall play, *Flower for Algernon*, which is the play they will perform in Edinburgh.

### **Future Agenda Items**

None

### **Adjournment**

By unanimous consent the meeting adjourned at 7:30 p.m.

  
Paul K. Perzanoski, Secretary  
Brunswick School Board