Brunswick School Board

MINUTES
Thursday, February 14, 2019
7:30 p.m.
Council Chambers
Town Hall
85 Union Street

School Board Members Present:  James Grant, Chair; Benjamin Tucker, Vice Chair; Teresa Gillis; Celina Harrison; Joy Prescott; Sarah Singer; Elizabeth Sokoloff; Maddie Wayne, Student Liaison; Tyler Patterson, BHS Student Liaison

School Board Members Absent:  Mandy Merrill; Elizabeth Sokoloff

Staff Members Present:  Paul Perzanoski, Superintendent; Greg Bartlett, Interim Assistant Superintendent; Barbara Gunn, Student Services Director; Shanna Crofton, Curriculum Coordinator; Sue Woodhams, Technology Director; Scott Smith, Director of Building, Grounds, and Foods; Troy Henninger, BHS Principal; Tim Gagnon, BHS Assistant Principal; Walter Wallace, BJHS Principal; Heather Blanchard, HBS Principal; Steve Ciembrowicz, Coffin School Principal; Brian Pressley, BHS Teacher; Sue Alexander, Administrative Assistant.

Guests:  Corey Perreault, past Board member; Gino Ring, Substance Abuse Counselor at BHS; Brunswick Police Detective John Roma, BHS School Resource Officer; community members and members of the press.

Call to Order/Pledge of Allegiance/Roll Call
Mr. Grant called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m., led the Pledge of Allegiance and asked for a roll call.

Adjustment to the Agenda
Remove Megan Amero-Daniel from the new staff list

Under Board Chair’s Report move presentation to Old Business.

Consent Agenda Action
Items on the Consent Agenda passed unanimously without objection.

*9. Consideration of Approval of the Minutes of January 16, 2019
   Consideration of Approval of the Special Meeting Minutes of January 23, 2019

Old Business
Presentation:  The Board Chair presented Corey Perreault with a plaque and thanked her for her years of service to the School Board.

Communications/Correspondence
None

Public Participation
None
Superintendent’s Report

a. Building and Equipment Use:
   - Brunswick Parks and Recreation – use of schools
   - Merrymeeting Adult Education – use of BHS
   - Girl Scouts of America – use of schools
   - Aspire Program – use of HBS
   - Bath Area Family YMCA - use of schools
   - Brunswick Police Department – use of BJHS gym
   - Seeds of Independence – use of BJHS cafeteria
   - SAGE Swingers Square and Round Dance Club – use of BJHS gym
   - Brunswick Youth Lacrosse – use of HBS Community Room
   - Arts Are Elementary – use of schools
   - Independence Association – use of BHS Cafeteria
   - Brunswick Bay Mobile Home Co-op – use of BHS

b. New Staff
   - Emilia Casillas, Library Ed Tech II, BJHS
   - Meaghan O'Leary, Secretary, BJHS
   - David Dutton, night custodian, HBS

c. Publication in National Arts Magazine
   The Superintendent recognized Emily Moll, HBS Art Teacher, for her article on Sailors’ Valentines which was recently published in a national art magazine.

d. HBS Budget Request
   Included in the Board packet is a letter from third grade teachers at HBS to the Board to consider a new position.

e. Budget Report – Ms. Wentworth
   Business Manager was unable to be here tonight.
   An overview of the 2020 budget was given by Shanna Crofton, summarizing our budget process. She also went over this year’s budget calendar.

f. Vaping Report – Mr. Bartlett
   A presentation was given by Walter Wallace, BJHS Principal; Brunswick Police Detective John Roma; Gino Ring, Substance Abuse Counselor; and Tim Gagnon, BHS Assistant Principal. Vaping is a national epidemic and this presentation gave information on vaping and the steps that both the high school and junior high school are taking to help with the prevention and education of our students on vaping.

Board Chair’s Report

The Board Chair acknowledged Joy Prescott as the past chairperson and thanked her for all her hard work.

a. Student Liaison Report – M. Wayne & T. Patterson
   The Student Liaisons reported on events happening in our schools.

b. 2019 Board Goals
   They met on January 23rd and the draft of the new board goals is in the Board packet for review. Any suggestions should be given to the Superintendent so goals can be finalized at the next meeting.
Committee Reports
   a. Personnel & Negotiations Committee
      Negotiations have begun with the bus drivers/custodians union.
   b. Student Services Committee
      Tabled
   c. Budget & Finance Committee
      This week’s meeting was cancelled due to snow. The next committee meeting will be held on March 13th. There will be a budget workshop on February 27th and March 6th.

New Business
10. Consideration of the Superintendent’s Nomination of Teacher for 2018-2019 School Year
    Vote to elect the following teacher for the 2018-19 school year:
    Benjamin Clark, Social Studies Teacher, Brunswick High School
    Motion: Thompson       Second: Singer       Vote: Unanimous of Board members present
    Vote to approve new BHS Social Studies teacher.

11. Consideration of First Read Policies:
    a. Revised Policy FILE: ADC: Tobacco Use and Possession
    b. Revised Policy FILE: ADC-R: Tobacco Use and Possession: Administrative Procedure
    c. Revised Policy FILE: BBBAB: Student Liaison to the School Board
    d. Revised Policy FILE: JICH: Substance Use by Students
    The Chair asked Board members to review the First Read Policies and notify him, the Superintendent, or the Policy Committee of any questions or comments.

Calendar/Announcements
March 28th is the Incoming Kindergarten Parent Night at Coffin School

Future Agenda Items
None

Adjournment
By unanimous consent the meeting adjourned at 8:15 p.m.

[Signature]
Paul K. Perzanowski, Secretary
Brunswick School Board