

Brunswick School Board

MINUTES

Wednesday, June 13, 2012
6:30 p.m. for Executive Session
Regular Meeting Followed
Brunswick Station
16 Station Avenue
Room 217

Board Members Present: James Grant, Chair; Corinne Perreault, Vice Chair; Brenda Clough; Janet Connors; James Matthew Corey; Richard Ellis; Michele Joyce; Michelle Small; William Thompson

Board Members Absent: None

Staff Members Present: Paul Perzanoski, Superintendent; Gregory Bartlett, Assistant Superintendent; Paul Austin, Director of Student Services; James Oikle, Business Manager; Cheryl White, Administrative Consultant; Christine Patton, Administrative Secretary

Guests: Stephen Ciembroniewicz, Dana Bateman, Brunswick Police Officer, others

Call to Order

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

Adjustments to the Agenda

None

Executive Session

60. Consideration of Executive Session Per to 1 MRSA 405(6)(A) to Discuss/Interview the Superintendent's Nomination for the Position of Principal, Coffin Elementary School

Motion: Joyce Second: Corey Vote: Unanimous of the Board Members

Approved to enter executive session per 1 MRSA 405(6) (A) to interview and discuss the Superintendent's nomination for the position of Coffin Elementary School Principal.

The Board entered executive session at 6:33 p.m.

The Board reconvened in public session at 6:55 p.m.

61. Consideration of Any Appropriate Action as a Result of Item 60

Motion: Small Second: Ellis Vote: Unanimous of the Board

Voted to authorize the Superintendent to negotiate a two-year contract to hire Stephen Ciembroniewicz for the position of Principal of Coffin School, effective July 1, 2012.

Consent Agenda Action

*Items 62, 63a and 65 were removed from the consent agenda.

Motion: Thompson

Second: Connors

Vote: Unanimous of the Board

Approved the following consent agenda items:

63. Policy and Planning Committee

- b. First Reading of Proposed Policy FILE: IJNDB Student Computer & Internet Use and On-Line Safety for a Second Reading

64. Appointment of School Physician Services for 2012-2013

Martin's Point Health Care LLC (Brunswick-Bowdoin location) to provide the services of School Physician for the period July 1, 2012, through June 30, 2013, for a cost of \$1,500.

66. Applications for State and Federal Funds

- a. Authorized the Superintendent of Schools to apply for federal funds, including NCLB which includes Title I, II and any other federal, and state funds that may be available for the 2012-13 school year.
- b. Authorized the Superintendent of Schools to file applications and reports to make such representation and commitments on behalf of the Board as are required to obtain financial assistance under the U.S. Department of Education Impact Aid program and/or the U.S. Department of Defense Impact Aid program.

67. Authorization for Contracts

- a. Authorized the Superintendent of Schools to enter into such contracts for special education and other services as may be necessary for the 2012-13 school year.
- b. Authorized the Superintendent of Schools to enter into an agreement with SAD 75 for adult education and food service management for the 2012-13 school year.
- c. Authorized the Superintendent of Schools to enter into a contract with Maine Region 10 Technical High School for transportation services for the 2012-13 school year.
- d. Authorized the Superintendent to execute purchase orders and to negotiate and execute contracts and other necessary documents, commitments and representations on behalf of the Board within budget constraints as may be necessary to conduct the mission of the school department. The Superintendent may delegate this authority as necessary.
- e. Authorized the Superintendent to enter into a contract with Bath Area Family YMCA and Family Focus to provide before and after school child care for the 2012-13 school year.

68. 2012-2013 Salaries for Non-Contracted Administrators and Technology Staff

Approved the 2012-2013 salaries for non-contracted administrators and technology staff as recommended by the Budget and Finance Committee, Negotiations Committee and as approved in the 2012-2013 operating budget.

69. 2012-2013 Salaries for Contracted Cafeteria Workers, Resource Assistants, ESL Resource Assistants, ASL Interpreters, Migrant Service Providers, and Homebound Service Providers, and Administrative Secretarial Personnel

Approved the 2012-2013 Salaries for Contracted Cafeteria Workers, Resource Assistant, ESL Resource Assistants, ASL Interpreters, Migrant Service Providers, and Homebound Service Providers, Administrative Secretarial Personnel as recommended by the Budget and Finance Committee, Negotiations Committee and as approved in the 2012-2013 operating budget.

70. Approved the Marine Science Curriculum as Recommended by the Curriculum & Program Development Committee

71. Approved the Grade 9 Science Curriculum as Recommended by the Curriculum & Program Development Committee

72. Teacher Request for Leave of Absence

Approved a request from Jennifer Flewelling Tanguay, Literacy Coordinator at Brunswick Junior High School, for a leave of absence for school year 2012-2013.

*62. Minutes

Mr. Thompson moved, with a second by Mrs. Perreault to table the minutes of June 7, 2012, for revision and consider them at the next meeting. The vote was unanimous of the Board to approve this motion.

The following minutes were approved by unanimous consent:

Minutes of May 9, 2012
 Minutes of May 23, 2012
 Minutes of May 29, 2012

*63. Policy and Planning Committee – Ms. Small

a. First Reading of Proposed Policy FILE: IMGA Service Animals in Schools

Motion: Small Second: Connors Vote: Unanimous of the Board

Voted to table the first read of proposed Policy FILE: IMGA Service Animals in Schools and have the Policy and Planning Committee reconsider as discussed.

*65. Consideration of Authorization for the Superintendent to Sign Teacher Contracts

Motion: Perreault Second: Connors Vote: 7-2 (Small, Thompson opposed)

Authorized the Superintendent to sign teacher contracts before official Board action of said teachers from June 14, 2012, through October 2012.

Old Business

Ms. Small requested that the Budget and Finance Committee look over the facilities master plan vote from the special meeting on June 7, 2012.

Communications/Correspondence

Mrs. Perreault had correspondence from Grade 5 parents about the end of the school year.
Mr. Grant received a letter regarding accreditation at Brunswick High School.

Public Participation

None

Superintendent's Report

a. Dana Bateman – Volunteer Recognition

Ms. Bateman explained the volunteer program at Coffin School and recognized the volunteers.

b. K-2 Academic Review – Cheryl White, Paul Austin, Gregory Bartlett

Mrs. White gave a Power Point overview of the K-2 academic program, explained test scores and how they carry over to the classroom.

c. Building and Equipment Use for June 2012:

- Big Brothers and Big Sisters– use of the Stowe Discovery Room for a meeting
- Ocean Classroom Organization – use of Crooker Theater for a presentation
- Town of Brunswick – use of the junior high gym for June Primary and Election
- Maine Romance Writers of America – use of the Stowe conference room for a Chapter meeting
- Friends of Curtis Library – use of the junior high gym for annual book sale
- Brunswick Parks and Recreation – use of Stowe School for summer vacation camp and use of the high school track and tennis courts for summer track and tennis programs
- Jump Start Training Sessions – use of the high school gym for training sessions
- Bowdoin International Music Festival – use of Crooker Theater for practice and performances

d. Resignations:

- Peter Gardner, Assistant Principal, Brunswick High School
- Elena Eramo, Bus Driver
- Phillip Menard, Head Custodian, Coffin School
- Susan M. Smith, Psychological Services Provider
- Gregory Ferrell, Educational Technician III, Brunswick Junior High
- Gregory Bartlett, Assistant Superintendent (for the purpose of retire/rehire)

e. Recognition

- Great People Who Rock Award

Mr. Bartlett recently received the Keeping Maine's Children Connected "Great People Who Rock Award."

- Letter from Parent of Special Needs Child

Mr. Perzanoski received a letter from a parent of a special needs child thanking the special education staff for their efforts.

- Maine Fitness Awards

Mr. Perzanoski announced that Pat McCabe and Janet Rivard have been chosen as runners-up in the Youth-School Category by the Maine Governor's Council on Physical Activities.

- Donation

Brunswick Junior High School received a donation of materials from Maine Home Builders for its school garden.

- Maine Arts Teacher Leader

The Superintendent recognized Ashley Smith, Choral Teacher at BHS, as being selected to be one of 18 Teacher Leaders for Phase 2 of the Maine Arts Assessment Initiative.

f. Budget Update - Mr. Oikle

Mr. Oikle said that the audit was within normal accounting practices. He reported on the Jobs Bill, impact aid, the 2013 Budget, and an employee discount card.

g. Referendum Results

Mr. Perzanoski announced that the budget referendum was passed.

h. Central Office Summer Hours

The Superintendent announced summer hours of 8 a.m. - 4 p.m. at the central office at 46 Federal Street.

i. Summer School Offerings

Two courses are being offered this summer: algebra at the high school and art at the junior high.

Board Chair's Report

a. Special Meeting June 27 at 6:00 p.m. at Hawthorne (Superintendent Evaluation/Review)

Mr. Grant said the Board will meet at Hawthorne School for executive session for the annual review of the Superintendent's evaluation.

b. Citizen Representative Appointments to the Cooperative Board of Region Ten Technical High School

Mr. Grant appointed a subcommittee to make recommendation for citizen appointments to the Region 10 Cooperative Board.

He also announced Gallagher and LeBourdais Scholarship recipients.

Committee Reports

a. Curriculum and Program Development – Ms. Joyce

Ms. Joyce said the committee discussed Marine Science and the grade 9 science, home internet accessibility, and math placement criteria.

b. Policy and Planning Committee – Ms. Small

Ms. Small said the committee discussed the first read policies and had an update on student restraint practices.

c. Budget and Finance – Mr. Ellis

Mr. Ellis said the committee reviewed the budget process and capital improvement plan.

d. Maine Region 10 Cooperative Board – Mrs. Connors

Mrs. Connors reported that Region 10 is finalizing its budget.

e. Facilities and Maintenance Committee – Mr. Ellis

Mr. Ellis reported that the committee reviewed the Stowe punch list, discussed Crooker Theater and the bus garage.

f. Wellness Committee – Ms. Joyce

Ms. Joyce announced wellness goals for 2012-2013 and reported that all schools now have gardens.

New Business

73. Consideration of Superintendent's Nomination of Teachers for 2012-2013 School Year

Motion: Ellis Second: Corey Vote: 8-1 (Small opposed)

Voted to elect the following teachers for the 2012-13 school year:

Heather Caron, Kindergarten

Meredith Sciacca, Grade 1

74. Consideration of Any Revisions to the Budget Request for the School Department Operating Budget 2012-2013

None

75. Consideration of a Change in Start Time for School Board Meetings

Mr. Grant proposed 6:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. as start and stop times for school board meetings.

Ms. Small moved, with a second by Mr. Ellis, to have workshops begin at 7:00 p.m. The vote was 4-5 (Clough, Perreault, Joyce, Grant, Corey opposed). The motion failed.

Ms. Joyce moved, with a second by Ms. Clough, to have school board meetings begin at 6:30 p.m. and be over by 9:00 p.m. The vote was 4-5 (Small, Ellis, Perreault, Connors, Thompson opposed). The motion failed.

Ms. Joyce moved, with a second by Mrs. Connors, to have school board meetings end at 10:00 p.m. The vote was 8-1 (Ellis opposed). The motion passed.

Calendar/Announcements

Several Board members thanked the school staff for their efforts during a year of great transition.

Future Agenda Items

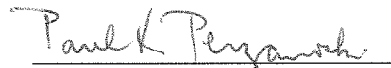
Mr. Grant suggested that the Political and Media Action Committee look into the role of the school board in hiring practices.

Mr. Corey suggested a review of the teacher evaluation process.

Ms. Small suggested discussion about school renovations.

Adjournment

By unanimous consent the meeting adjourned at 8:39 p.m.



Paul K. Perzanoski, Secretary
Brunswick School Board