

Brunswick School Board

MINUTES

Special Meeting

June 7, 2012

Brunswick Station

16 Station Avenue

School Board Members Present: James Grant, Chair; Brenda Clough; Janet Connors;
James Matthew Corey; Michele Joyce; Richard Ellis;
Michelle Small; Julia Brown, Student Liaison

William Thompson arrived at 6:10 p.m.

School Board Members Absent: Corinne Perreault, Vice Chair

Staff Members Present: Paul Perzanoski, Superintendent; Gregory Bartlett, Assistant
Superintendent; Paul Caron, Facilities Director

Guests: Jeff Larimer, Harriman Inc.

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Mr. Grant.

Pledge of Allegiance

Adjustment to the Agenda

Item 55 was moved to the end of the agenda.

56. Consideration of Discussion about Financial Matters and Bonding Process from Town of Brunswick Officials

The Board had a review of the bonding process, financing timetable and roles of the Department of Education and Bureau of General Services.

57. Consideration of Discussion on Alternatives at Jordan Acres School

Mr. Larimer from Harriman Inc. spoke about new possibilities for Jordan Acres and Coffin Schools, and a time frame for the bus garage.

58. Consideration of Any Action on a Facilities Master Plan

Ms. Small moved, with a second by Ms. Joyce, to approve Option 3 (Close Jordan Acres School, grades K-2 in a renovated Coffin School). The vote was 6-2 (Corey, Ellis opposed). The motion passed.

Mr. Corey moved, with a second by Ms. Joyce, to accept Pre Kindergarten. The vote was 5-3 (Connors, Grant, Thompson opposed). The motion carried.

By unanimous consent of the Board members present, an amendment to add the bus garage was approved.

A motion was made by Mr. Ellis, seconded by Ms. Joyce, to reconsider the vote to have the junior high renovation in year one.

There was a motion and a second to table this item but the vote was 4-4 (Joyce, Ellis, Grant, Connors opposed) and the motion to table failed.

The motion to add the junior high renovations in year one passed by a vote of 6-2 (Small, Thompson opposed).

59. Board Chair Report

Mr. Grant reminded Board members about the Special Meeting on June 27 at 6:00 p.m. at Hawthorne School to discuss the Superintendent's annual evaluation and review his contract.

Mr. Grant also formed a subcommittee to review applications for Region 10 Cooperative Board community members.

55. Consideration of Student Liaison to the School Board

Mr. Grant presented Julia Brown with a plaque for her service as the Board's first student liaison.

Ms. Joyce moved that the Board continue with the student liaison program, and Mr. Corey seconded. It was unanimous of the Board members present to approve.

Ms. Small made an amendment, seconded by Mrs. Connors, to have the student liaison be elected by the student body. The vote on the amendment was 2-6 (Ellis, Clough, Corey, Grant, Joyce, Thompson opposed). The amendment failed.

Mr. Thompson moved, with a second by Ms. Joyce, to have two students (1 senior, 1 junior) as liaisons. This motion was removed with the consent of Mr. Thompson and Ms. Joyce.

Mr. Ellis moved to have two students serve as student liaisons. There was no second.

Mr. Thompson moved to make an amendment, seconded by Ms. Joyce, to have the student liaison selected as outlined by policy, then be voted on by the student body. The vote on the amendment was 7-0-1 (Corey abstained). The amendment passed.

Adjournment

By unanimous consent the meeting adjourned at 7:37 p.m.



Paul K. Perzanoski, Secretary
Brunswick School Board