

# MINUTES of the Regular Schedule 2011 Meeting "FORTY-SEVENTH DISTRICT SCHOOL COMMITTEE"

Membership: Francis J. Fistori, Avon; Germano John Silveira, Braintree; Vice Chairman Aidan G. Maguire, Jr., Canton; Chairman Joseph A. Pascarella, Dedham; Secretary Robert S. Austin, Holbrook; Mr. Fess Joyce, Milton; Mr. Kevin L. Connolly, Norwood; Mr. Richard Riman, Randolph and Mr. Charles W. Flahive, Westwood.

## Tuesday, January 3, 2012

The Blue Hills Regional Vocational School Forty-Seventh District School Committee Regular Schedule Meeting was called to order promptly at **7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, January 3, 2012** at the Blue Hills Regional Vocational Technical School, William T. Buckley District School Committee Board Room 207A, 800 Randolph Street, Canton, Massachusetts. Chairman Joseph A. Pascarella presided.

#### ROLL CALL and PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE \*

MEMBERS PRESENT: Messrs. Austin, Fistori, Flahive, Joyce, Maguire, Pascarella, Riman and Silveira

MEMBERS ABSENT: Mr. Connolly

OTHERS PRESENT: Mr. James P. Quaglia – Superintendent-Director

Mr. Charles J. Gisondi - Treasurer

Mr. Brandon Phillips, School Year 2011-12 Representative to the District School Committee

Mr. David W. Proule, BHRT Business Manager

\*On occasion, individual(s) attending the meeting do not sign the attendance sheet.

Chairman Joseph A. Pascarella announced that the District complies with the inception of the revised Open Meeting Law in effect, as of July 1, 2010. This meeting is being recorded in person by Secretary Robert S. Austin and Mr. Richard Riman. All documents referred to within the meeting are in the Meeting-Record File.

**NOTE**: The listings of matters on the meeting's respective agendas are those reasonably anticipated by the Chair which may be discussed at the meeting. Not all items listed may in fact be discussed and other items not listed may also be brought up for discussion to the extent permitted by law.

- 2. Visitors with Business for the Committee and Public Comment: None.
- 3. **Minute Approval** Chairman Pascarella moved for the approval of previous meeting minutes. Member Richard Riman moved to approve the Tuesday, Regular Schedule Meeting of December 20, 2011, as presented. Member Fess Joyce seconded the motion. Motion was taken to a vote and it was **UNANIMOUSLY**

Voted: to approve the minutes of the Tuesday, December 20, 2011 Regular Schedule Meeting Minutes.

### 4. Communications:

Agenda – DSC Regular Session Meeting, Tuesday, January 3, 2012

**Minutes** – "Draft" Tuesday, December 20, 2011 Regular Session District School Committee Minutes **Emails:** Regular transmissions of emails are sent to the District School Committee with/on information and activities relative to the operation of the school. The District is intent on using this cost-saving method of communication within its operation. Sent emails are archived and available for the inspection of any and all interested parties.

- 5. Student Representative Mr. Brandon Phillips was recognized by Chairman Joseph A. Pascarella. Mr. Phillips had no report.
- DSC Chair Report Chairman Pascarella had no report.
- 7. DSC Subcommittee Reports:
  - Personnel & Negotiation Was taken to executive session to safeguard the integrity of the contract discussions.
  - Warrant No concerns.
  - Athletic & Extracurricular Subcommittee The Sub-Committee has a meeting scheduled on Tuesday, January 17,

2012 at 5:30 p.m. in Room 207A.

- Buildings, Facilities, Safety & Security Subcommittee A meeting was conducted at 5 p.m. this evening. Chairman
  Robert S. Austin reported that no action was taken but numerous topics were discussed including the hot water tanks,
  RFQ for House Doctor, pool deck, culinary floor and water line repair.
- 8. **Unfinished Business:** Member Richard Riman questioned fairness of Fees and Rentals for use of facilities. Superintendent-Director Quaglia stated that he will follow up this item with Tom Cahill for clarification.
- 9. New Business: None.

## 10. Administrative Reports (as needed):

- 10.1.1 **Treasurer:** Mr. Charles J. Gisondi was recognized by Chairman Pascarella. Treasurer Gisondi –stated that Mrs. Virginia M. (Ginny) Frew is preparing a letter of intent to continue her service on the Retirement Board. A Committee vote will follow letter submission.
- 10.1.2 **Business Manager** Mr. David W. Proule was recognized by Chairman Pascarella. Mr. Proule advised the Committee that he had received from School Counsel Matt Tobin a DEP, Lust Agreement which requires the signatures of the Committee Members. Member Riman commented that he would like all documents that require signature(s) be distributed beforehand for review. Mr. Proule advised the Committee that Wheatstone's cost will be paid from operational budget.
- 10.1.3 Assistant Superintendent/Principal Assistant Superintendent/Principal Michael J. Barrett was absent.
- 10.1.4 **Superintendent-Director James P. Quaglia** was recognized by Chairman Joseph A. Pascarella. Superintendent Director Quaglia presented the Committee with the following:
  - Water Main Break Superintendent-Director Quaglia advised the Committee that a water-main-pipe break was discovered on 12/22/11. "The possible cause was corrosion and frost heaves", stated Mr. Quaglia.
  - Meeting Cancel and Reschedule Recommendations: Mr. Quaglia discussed the February 21, 2012 meeting which would occur during February school break. A February 28<sup>th</sup> Special Meeting was discussed. Following discussions, Chairman Pascarella accepted a motion from Member Fess Joyce to cancel the regular District School Committee of Tuesday, February 21, 2012 and schedule a Special Meeting on Tuesday, February 28, 2012. Motion was seconded by Member Germano John Silveira. Motion was taken to a vote and it was UNANIMOUSLY

**VOTED**: to cancel the regular District School Committee of Tuesday, February 21, 2012 and schedule a Special Meeting on Tuesday, February 28, 2012

#### 11. Discussion or Suggestions for the Good of the District -

- Staffing Changes Member Charles W. Flahive commented on staffing changes and expressed concern.
- General Advisory Board/Committee Vice Chairman Aidan G. Maguire, Jr., commented that the Advisory Board
  process was giving little support for programs. Member Riman noted this opinion: He did not feel that many departments
  gave the necessary support to the Vocational Director in her efforts to identify their needs for this presentation. Other DSC
  Members concurred similarly.
- Future Off-Site Construction Projects Superintendent-Director Quaglia stated that both the towns of Holbrook and Braintree have municipal projects they would like to bring forward and an extension of deadline may be needed to accommodate town-project submissions.
- 12. Warrant Chairman Joseph A. Pascarella accepted motion for the following warrant:

Upon motion of Vice-Chairman Aidan G. Maguire, Jr., , seconded by Secretary Robert S. Austin, it was **UNANIMOUSLY VOTED:** to approve **FY12**, **Warrant No. 10**, **Vouchers 1052-1055**, **dated January 3**, **2012** in the

## amount of \$677,486.68.

- 13. **Executive session:** By **UNANIMOUS roll call vote**, the Committee voted to move into executive session as provided under executive session to discuss collective bargaining, strategies and/or possible litigation under Open Meeting Law, Chapter 30A, Section 21 (a) (b), 2, 3 of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts General Laws. Open meeting discussion may have a detrimental effect on the bargaining or litigating position of the public body and requires executive session. Chairman Pascarella advised the audience that the Committee would leave the executive session solely for the purpose of adjournment. Member Fess Joyce excused himself from the executive session.
- 14. **Adjournment** Following conclusion of all District School Committee's regular meeting and executive session. Chairman Pascarella accepted a motion from Member Germano John Silveira and seconded by Member Fran Fistori to close the Regular Session Meeting of the District School Committee.

It was unanimously:

VOTED: to adjourn the Regular Scheduled Meeting at 8:10 p.m.

The Committee's **next meeting** will be a **Regular Schedule Meeting** conducted in the **William T. Buckley District School Committee Board Room (#207A), on January 17, 2012** at 7:00 p.m. unless otherwise posted.

Minutes Approved

Respectfully submitted by:

Robert S. Austin, Secretary

Robert S. Austin, Acting, Recording Secretary