

Blue Hills Regional District School Committee Fifty-Seventh District Committee

District School Committee Meeting July 20, 2021 ZOOM Meeting 7:00 PM

Per Governor Baker's order suspending certain provisions of the Open Meeting Law, G.L. c. 30A sec. 20, the public will not be allowed to physically access this School Committee meeting. Members of the public can access the meeting via live stream at the link provided below.

A. Call to Order: Time: 7:02 PM

Members in Attendance;

Eric Erskine (Chair) – Braintree, Aidan Maguire, Jr. (Secretary) – Canton, Thomas Polito -Dedham, Taryn Mohan – Holbrook, Kevin Connolly (Vice Chair) – Norwood, Sheila Vazquez – Westwood, and Chuck Gisondi - Treasurer

Members Not in Attendance:

Francis Fistori - Avon, Clinton Graham - Milton, and Rachelle Jeanty - Randolph

Administration in attendance:

Jill Rossetti - Superintendent-Director, Michelle Resendes – Business Manager, Geoff Zini – Principal, and David Galego - Facilities Director

B. Public Comment: None

C. Treasurer's Report and Warrant: Chuck Gisondi Warrant # 23 for FY21 and Warrant number 1 for FY22

FY21: Warrant #23 for \$3,158,051.16 Motion to approve Warrant #23 for \$3,158,051.16 made by Eric Erskine, Braintree Second: Kevin Connolly, Norwood Vote, Roll Call: Motion carried unanimously by those members in attendance FY22: Warrant #1 for \$39,265.91Motion to approve warrant #1 for 39,265.91 was made by Eric Erskine, BraintreeSecond: Kevin Connolly, NorwoodVote, Roll Call: Motion to approve Warrant #1 was approved unanimously by members in attendance

D. Superintendent's Report: Jill Rossetti

- Staffing Report Update

Hiring is well underway to fill open positions for September. This includes covering maternity leaves, etc. It has proved difficult to find qualified candidates for vacancies. We are currently looking for additional ways and venues to attract new personnel.

- DESE Regulations on Admissions DESE has noted October 1, 2021 the date to make any revisions to policies and admissions.

E. Minutes Approval: (Vote is Required)

June 15, 2021: Tabled until August 2021 meeting

F. DSC Chair Report: Chair Eric Erskine

- Evaluation Subcommittee for Superintendent, Treasurer, and Recording Secretary Mr. Erskine assigned the evaluations of the Superintendent-Director, Treasurer, and Recording Secretary to Mr. Polito as he started and has almost completed this task. There are two missing evaluations that he requested be finished and submitted to Tom Polito so he would be able to finish the evaluation process.

The committee will go into Executive Session at the end of this meeting.

G. DSC Sub-Committee Reports: N/A

H. Administration Reports:

1. Principal's Report: Geoff Zini

- Scheduling

Mr. Zini spoke to the Committee about scheduling and how the change from vocational/academic weeks flow. He also spoke about how the regulations come into play such as social distancing. Preparing for the fall is underway.

- Professional Development Update

This coming year Professional Development for staff and faculty will be much more robust and is geared toward what faculty and staff want and need with topics taken from both surveys and task force findings.

2. Business Manager Report: Michelle Resendes:

- Update

800 Randolph Street, Canton, MA 02021 Phone: (781) 828-5800 Fax: (781) 828-0794 Serving Avon – Braintree – Canton – Dedham – Holbrook – Milton – Norwood – Randolph - Westwood Ms. Resendes told the Committee that the Audit was almost complete and the preliminary results are favorable. Further, she informed the group that she was close to closing out FY21.

Michelle Resendes gave a brief update on ESSER II grants saying that the funds that may not have been available as previously planned, were in fact going to be available.

I. Unfinished Business: None

J. New Business Topics: None

K. Executive Session: Yes

L. Future Business:

The next DSC meeting is Tuesday, August 24, 2021 at 7:00 PM.

M. Adjournment: (Vote Required) 7:24 PM

Motion to Adjourn made by Eric Erskine, Braintree Second: Kevin Connolly, Norwood Vote, Roll Call: Motion to Adjourn was carried unanimously

Minutes Approved by DSC on August 24, 2021

Minutes Recorded by: Pamela Donnellan, Admin. Secretary to the Superintendent

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