

Blue Hill School Committee Meeting
December 12, 2012
Blue Hill Consolidated School
Minutes

A. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 5:04 p.m. by Chair Pro Tem John Richardson followed by the salute to the flag.

Members Present: John Richardson; Ben Wootten; Susan Keenan; Anne Rice

Members Absent: Jonathan Smallidge

Others Present: Mark Hurvitt; Della Martin; Carolyn Heller; Anne Berleant, reporter for *The Penobscot Bay Press*; Doug Orville; Jessica Hutchins; Pamela Astbury, Matt Jurick; Annie Grindal; Sheila Irvine; Deb Kingston; Kathy Hally

B. Flag Salute

C. Approval of the Minutes of Previous Meetings

1. A motion was made by Susan Keenan, seconded by Ben Wootten, to approve the minutes of the November 14, 2012 meeting. Motion passed 4-0.

2. A motion was made by Ben Wootten, seconded by Annie Rice, to approve the minutes of the November 26, 2012 meeting. Motion passed 4-0.

D. Approval of the Agenda

A motion was made by Ben Wootten, seconded by Annie Rice, to approve the agenda with an amendment to move I. New Business item 5. to G. Reports item 6b. Motion passed 4-0.

E. Communications

None

F. Comments and/or Questions from the Public

None

G. Reports

1. GSA Report - Paul Perkinson's written report was handed out.

2. Principal's Report – Della Martin's written report is attached to the office minutes.

3. Superintendent's Report

a. Mark Hurvitt mentioned the Blue Hill MSMA Boardmanship Workshop on November 26th.

b. He mentioned that we are going to get hit with a state subsidy curtailment soon. Blue Hill should be okay in that we budgeted \$81,980.57 in state subsidy, but received \$163,961.15.

c. Mentioned that the Viking Lumber suit has been settled with the Board's recent payment of \$2,500.00.

4. PTF Report – None

5. Building and Grounds Committee Report

It was mentioned that there is continuing work on the water filter.

6. Other Reports

a. Curriculum Sub-Committee – None

b. Carolyn Heller went over the 2012-2013 Summary of Accounts page by page. The board had questions.

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H. Old Business

1. Blue Hill Pre-School Discussion: MOU from Child and Family Opportunities

Doug Orville was at the meeting to answer any questions from the board on a proposed collaboration between BHCS and CFO. The board wants a recommendation from the Superintendent and Principal in January on how to move forward with the issue.

2. First Reading of Concussion Policy

Need to work on the language of #3, Annie Rice will suggest some language. There will be a second reading in January.

3. YMCA After School Program Proposed Contract

A motion was made by Annie Rice, seconded by Ben Wootten, to approve. Motion passed 4-0.

Jessica Hutchins and Chelsea Robbins will be the staff members. It will be held in Rachel Nightingale's classroom. 2:40 p.m. to 3:25 p.m. will be recess. 3:30 – 6:00 p.m. will be homework, arts, crafts, snack. It will begin January 2, 2013.

4. To Amend Wording in policy #1320.1A

A motion was made by Ben Wootten, seconded by Annie Rice, to approve the amended policy 1320.1A. Motion passed 4-0.

5. Laptop Filter Follow Up

Matt Jurick is installing Net Nanny on the MLTI computers. He will use the default settings, with the exceptions of time filters. Net Nanny will be engaged Monday – Friday 5:00 am until 10:00 pm, Saturday-Sunday 5:00 am until 10:00 pm, max of 4 hours per day for student use each day. Policy 6305.B will need to be amended to reflect this in January.

A motion was made by Ben Wootten, seconded by Annie Rice, to purchase and deploy Net Nanny as presented by Matt Jurick at BHCS. Motion passed 4-0.

I. New Business

1. To Appoint Kate Kennedy and Anita Black as Eighth Grade Advisors

A motion was made by Ben Wootten, seconded by Susan Keenan, to follow the superintendent's nomination and to appoint Kate Kennedy and Anita Black as the Eighth Grade Advisors for 2012-2013 school year. Motion passed 4-0.

2. Second Reading of Amended Sports Policy

A motion was made by Ben Wootten, seconded by Susan Keenan, to table this until January. Motion passed 4-0.

Steve Williamson would propose that cross country runners and soccer players could play either sport on any given day.

3. To See If the Board Wishes to Delegate Their Votes for the Upcoming December 17th Joint Union #93 School Committee Meeting at the Penobscot School-

A motion was made by Ben Wootten, seconded by Annie Rice, to delegate their votes to John Richardson for the upcoming meeting. Motion passed 4-0.

4. Time Limit for Board Meetings

A motion was made by Ben Wootten, seconded by Susan Keenan, to establish a two hour limit, beginning in January, with the necessity of a motion, a second, and a unanimous vote of all present to extend beyond two hours. Motion passed 4-0.

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I. New Business (continued)

5. Summary of Accounts – This was done earlier on the agenda.
6. To Acknowledge Receipt of the Blue Hill School Department Lunch Program Comparative Financial Statements with Independent Auditor’s Report for the Fiscal Years Ended June 30, 2012 and 2011-
A motion was made by Ben Wootten, seconded by John Richardson, to acknowledge receipt of the Blue Hill School Department Lunch Program Comparative Financial Statements with Independent Auditor’s Report. Motion passed 4-0.
7. Add Time to the School Day?
Della Martin withdrew this item.
8. Public Participation Policy #8377 will be a first reading in January.
Annie Rice will come to talk to Mark about what information needs to be available at all board meetings.
9. Executive Session per 1 M.R.S.A. § 405 (6)(A) Labor Contract Negotiations
A motion was made by Annie Rice, seconded by Susan Keenan, to enter into an executive session per 1 M.R.S.A § 405 (6)(A) for the purpose of labor contract negotiations with the board and Mark Hurvitt. Motion passed 4-0.
Time In: 6:47 p.m. Time Out: 6:53 p.m.

Upon returning to open session, a motion was made by Ben Wootten, seconded by Susan Keenan, to approve the new support staff contract 2013-2016. Motion passed 4-0.

A motion was made by Ben Wootten, seconded by Susan Keenan, to accept a donation for \$1500.00 to fund the 2012 Boston Trip. Della Martin will report about the details at the January meeting.

J. Items for Next Month’s Agenda

K. Signing of Vouchers – The vouchers were signed.

L. Adjournment – The meeting was adjourned at 7:55 p.m. by Chair Pro Tem John Richardson.

Respectfully submitted,

Mark E. Hurvitt
Superintendent of Schools