

**Blue Hill School Committee Meeting**  
**April 14, 2010**  
**Blue Hill Consolidated School**  
**Minutes**

A. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 4:59 p.m. by Chair Ben Wootten followed by the salute to the flag.

Members Present: Ben Wootten; Alice Herrick; Jon Smallidge; John Richardson; Susan Keenan  
Members Absent: None

Others Present: Mark Hurvitt; Fred Cole; Deb Kingston; Beth Jackson; Samantha Politte;  
Wendy Eaton; Jan Snow; Anne Rice

B. Flag Salute

\* Election of a Chair\*

Mark Hurvitt called for nominations and seconds. Ben Wootten was nominated and seconded.  
A motion was made by Jon Smallidge, seconded by John Richardson, to cease nominations.

Motion passed 4-0-1.  
Ben Wootten abstained.

Mark Hurvitt called for a vote on Ben Wootten's nomination.

A motion was made by Jon Smallidge, seconded by John Richardson, to elect Ben Wootten  
as Chair of the Blue Hill School Committee for the ensuing year.

Motion passed 4-0-1.  
Ben Wootten abstained.

C. Approval of the Minutes of Previous Meetings

1. A motion was made by Jon Smallidge, seconded by Alice Herrick, to approve the minutes  
of the March 10, 2010 meeting. Motion passed 5-0.

D. Approval of the Agenda

A motion was made by Jon Smallidge, seconded by Susan Keenan, to approve the agenda  
with the following amendments: Delete I. New Business item #2. Possible appointment of  
a principal and I. New Business item #8. Summary of Accounts; Add I. New Business item  
#2. Create a standing committee on buildings and grounds. Motion passed 5-0.

E. Communications

PTF Report – Beth Jackson handed out her written report which included recent and  
upcoming events.

F. Comments and/or Questions from the Public

None

G. Reports

1. GSA Report – Mark Hurvitt noted that John Greene is retiring in June.
2. Principal's Report – There was no written report in deference of ending at 7:00 p.m;  
before the middle school play. Jon Smallidge had a question about RTI.

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**G. Reports (continued)**

3. Superintendent's Report – Mark Hurvitt informed the board about the May 17<sup>th</sup> meeting beginning at 6:00 p.m. at the Blue Consolidated School with a representative from each town in Union 93 and Union 76. The goal will be to look at LD 570 and to see if the nine towns want to move in the direction of this new AOS organizational model.
  - The Union #93 meeting is scheduled for April 27<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m. at the Penobscot Community School.
  - The oil bid is out. Bids are due May 28<sup>th</sup>.
  - Policies are now on the Union 93 website.
  - There are two payables a month now. Board members will need to come to the Union 93 office at least once a month to sign warrants.
  - The results of the Blue Hill Budget Validation Referendum vote was 72-20 to affirm school budget.
  
4. Other Reports - None

**H. Old Business**

1. Board Goals – The board would like Matt Jurick to come to the May meeting to address PowerSchool issues.
  
2. Percent Comparisons MEA's and NECAP's  
These were enclosed and noted by the board.

**I. New Business**

1. A motion was made by Susan Keenan, seconded by Alice Herrick, to enter into an Executive Session per 1 MRSA § 405 (6)(A) for the Purpose of a Personnel Matter with the board and Mark Hurvitt. Motion passed 5-0.

Time In: 5:50 p.m. Time Out: 6:10 p.m.

Upon returning to open session, there was no action. The board decided to set up a special meeting on April 27<sup>th</sup> at 4:30 p.m. to nominate a principal candidate.

2. Standing Building and Grounds Committee –  
The board decided to set up a committee with Fred Cole, Gary Mitchell, John Richardson, one parent and one staff member.  
A motion was made by John Richardson, and seconded by Jon Smallidge, to set up this committee. Fred Cole will organize it and call for its first meeting. Motion passed 5-0.
  
3. Continuing Contract Teacher Assignments for the 2010-2011 School Year were noted as follows: Sherry Holbrook, Kindergarten; Heather Nelson, Kindergarten; Karen Larkin, First Grade; Melissa Norwood, First Grade; Judy Cole, Second Grade; Kathy Hally, Second Grade; Tara McKechnie, Third Grade; Michelle Schildroth, Third Grade; Janis Snow, Fourth Grade; Patricia Clapp, Fourth Grade; Maryanne Lewandowski, Sixth Grade; Cathy Snow, Seventh/Eighth Grade; Della Martin, Seventh/Eighth Grade; Fred Cole, Seventh/Eighth Grade; William O'Connell; Seventh/Eighth Grade; Audrey Means, General Music; Robert McCormick, Physical Education and Health; Silvana Cuello, Spanish; Beth Jackson, Library; Julie Mason, Technology; William Schubeck, Instrumental Music 80%; Megan Granger, Guidance; Nancy Bos, Special Education; Lori Wessel, Special Education; Julia O'Neill, Speech and Language 80%; Helen Graikoski, Reading Recovery 50%.

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**I. New Business (continued)**

4. Approval of BEEM Grants

A motion was made by John Richardson, seconded by Alice Herrick, to approve the \$2,250.00 grant to the greenhouse project. Motion passed 5-0.

5. Consideration to Match Funds for Future Boston Trips

There was discussion on out of state field trips. The board decided to repeat this item for discussion in May.

6. Discussion of Policy #6202 Concerning Private School Students Participation in School Activities – Fred Cole will propose some amendments which the board has talked about. In the meantime, a motion was made by John Richardson, seconded by Jon Smallidge to suspend the current policy until 6/30/2010, in order to facilitate and insure that the Blue Hill “A” baseball team will be able to field a team for the 2010 season. Motion passed 5-0.

7. Discussion of Policy #6400 Promotion and Retention –

A motion was made by Alice Herrick to accept new language. There was no second. After a brief discussion, this was tabled until May.

8. Summary of Accounts – This was not ready yet. This will be on the May agenda.

9. Discussion of Memorandum of Understanding with GSA on the Spanish Transition from BHCS – John Richardson passed out a proposal. Board members should send him comments. This will be brought up again in May.

10. Possible Delegation of Votes for the April 27<sup>th</sup> Joint Union 93 School Committee Meeting to be held at the Penobscot Community School beginning 7:00 PM  
- No delegation of votes.

J. Signing of Vouchers – The vouchers were signed.

K. Adjournment – The meeting was adjourned by Chair Ben Wootten at 6:56 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Mark Hurvitt  
Superintendent