

**Blue Hill School Committee Meeting**  
**May 11, 2011**  
**Blue Hill Consolidated School**  
**Minutes**

A. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 5:00 p.m. by Chair Jon Smallidge followed by the salute to the flag.

Members Present: Alice Herrick; Anne Rice; Jon Smallidge; John Richardson

Members Absent: Susan Keenan

Others Present: Mark Hurvitt; Della Martin; Beth Jackson; Lori Wessel; Craig Maynard; Dan Paradis; Geoff Clarke; Matt Jurick; Colin Powell and Anne Berleant, reporters for *The Weekly Packet*; Kim Williamson; Audrey Means; Penny Ricker; Julie Koblinsky; Jan Snow; Ben Wootten

B. Flag Salute

C. Approval of the Minutes of Previous Meetings:

1. A motion was made by Jon Smallidge, seconded by Annie Rice, to approve the April 13, 2011 minutes with an amendment on Page 2. H. Old Business item 2. Pre-K Discussion: ... as is commonly done. "Financial info to be distributed at that time, too." The last straw poll....

Motion passed 4-0.

. Approval of the Agenda:

A motion was made by Alice Herrick, seconded by Annie Rice, to approve the agenda with the addition of E. Communications – Specialist Presentation and I. New Business item #10. Coaching Appointment.

Motion passed 4-0.

E. Communications:

Silvana Cuello, William Schubeck, Penny Ricker, Audrey Means and Matt Jurick all spoke about the potential benefits and detriments in allowing 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> graders choice in specials. The Board asked good follow up questions. As this is a matter of scheduling, Della Martin will produce a draft schedule as she sees fit, and the board will look at it, for information purposes, at the June meeting.

F. Comments and/or Questions from the Public:

None

G. Reports

1. GSA Report:

GSA will send release forms for Blue Hill 9<sup>th</sup> grade students in order that the grades of Blue Hill students can be tracked.

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

3. Superintendent's Report:

- Mark Hurvitt reported on the large interest in the vacant positions, which close on Friday, May 20<sup>th</sup>.
- He reported on the potential Tanburg Unit Grant.

4. Other Reports: None

5. PTF Report: Beth Jackson's report is enclosed with the office minutes.

Jan Snow commented on the wonderful job the PTF did with Teacher Appreciation Day.

6. Building and Grounds Committee Report:

Geoff Clarke, Dan Paradis and Craig Maynard went over the Blue Hill system with the board and answered questions. There will need to be some additional HVAC work done before the school year ends. Honeywell also handed out a report for the board.

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H. Old Business

1. Board Goals: This was skipped over.
2. Continued Math Discussion:  
Julie Keblinsky was in attendance. There was further discussion on Math programs. Everyday Math, Singapore, and Investigations were mentioned.
3. 7-8 MLTI Discussion:  
Matt Jurick is sending out a questionnaire. Hopefully, the results will be compiled before the June board meeting, and the results will be shared at that time.
4. Contracted Maintenance Services Discussion:  
Reported on efforts in Brewer and Farmington. The Board is not moving forward with this at this time.

I. New Business:

1. The April 1<sup>st</sup> Enrollment Report was noted.
2. To Approve the Draft 2011-2012 School Year Calendar:  
A motion was made by Alice Herrick, seconded by Annie Rice, to approve the draft 2011-2012 school year calendar as presented. Motion passed 4-0.
3. To Approve the Lawn Mowing Bid for the May 15, 2011 through Fall 2011 Season:  
  
A motion was made by Alice Herrick, seconded by Annie Rice, to award the Lawn Mowing Bid for the Malcolm Saunders Field to Steve Bemiss, of Glassource, Inc. at a bid price of \$1,400.00 for the May 15, 2011 through Fall 2011 season. Motion passed 4-0.
4. Possible Executive Session per 1 M.R.S.A. § 405 (6)(A) for the Purpose of Appointment of Employees:  
The Board did not enter into an executive session.
5. To Approve Teachers Going Onto Continuing Contract for the 2011-2012 School Year:  
  
A motion was made by Alice Herrick, seconded by Annie Rice, to follow the Superintendent's nomination and to approve Katie Danielson as a teacher going onto a continuing teacher contract for the 2011-2012 school year. Motion passed 4-0.  
  
A motion was made by Alice Herrick, seconded by John Richardson, to follow the Superintendent's nomination and to approve Mark Baxter as a teacher going onto a continuing teacher contract for the 2011-2012 school year. Motion passed 4-0.
6. To Approve Teachers Going Onto 2<sup>nd</sup> Year Probationary Contracts for the 2011-2012 School Year:  
  
A motion was made by Alice Herrick, seconded by Annie Rice, to follow the Superintendent's nomination and to approve Cathy Gage as a teacher going onto a 2<sup>nd</sup> year probationary teacher contract for the 2011-2012 school year. Motion passed 4-0.  
  
A motion was made by John Richardson, seconded by Alice Herrick, to follow the Superintendent's nomination and to approve Matthew Jurick as a teacher going onto a 2<sup>nd</sup> year probationary teacher contract for the 2011-2012 school year. Motion passed 4-0.  
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**I. New Business (continued)**

7. To Approve Support Staff for the 2011-2012 School Year:

A motion was made by John Richardson, seconded by Alice Herrick, to follow the Superintendent's nomination and to appoint the following contracted support staff for the 2011-2012 school year: Jerin Smith, Assistant Secretary; Jerin Smith, Assistant Cook; Loretta Smith, Secretary; Foster Smith, Custodian; Christopher Ford, Custodian; Kathie Koontz, Assistant Cook; Robin Mitchell, Head Cook; Lisa Leighton, Ed. Tech. I; Chandra Bisberg, Ed. Tech. III; Catherine Reuter, Ed. Tech. II; Susan Snyder, Ed. Tech. II; Jane Haldane, Ed. Tech. II; Michael Jezak, Ed. Tech. III; Jessica Hutchins, Ed. Tech. II; Christina Jezak, Ed. Tech. II; Debra Kingston, Ed. Tech. III; Laurie Friend, Ed. Tech. II; Jan Leach, Ed. Tech. I; Deborah Candage, School Nurse.

Motion passed 4-0.

8. Glacial Energy/Bangor Hydro Discussion

Mark Hurvitt will ask a Glacial Energy representative to attend the June board meeting for a short presentation.

9. Summary of Accounts

The Summary of Accounts was noticed. The Board would like to spend additional HVAC money in the 2010-2011 budget, once Honeywell gets back to us.

10. A motion was made by Alice Herrick, seconded by Annie Rice, to follow the Superintendent's nomination and to appoint Alexandra Wessel as the Girls "B" Softball Coach for the 2010-2011 school year.

Motion passed 4-0.

J. Signing of Vouchers – The vouchers were signed.

K. Adjournment - The meeting was adjourned at 7:05 p.m. by Chair Jon Smallidge.

Respectfully submitted,

Mark E. Hurvitt  
Superintendent