

**Blue Hill School Committee Meeting**  
**February 8, 2012**  
**Blue Hill Consolidated School**  
**Minutes**

A. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 5:03 p.m. by Chair Jon Smallidge followed by the salute to the flag. Members Present: Jon Smallidge, John Richardson, Alice Herrick, Annie Rice, Susan Keenan arrived at 5:07 p.m.

Members Absent: None

Others Present: Mark Hurvitt, Della Martin, Shelly Schildroth, Beth Jackson, Matt Jurick, Patty Clapp, Anne Berleant, reporter for the Penobscot Bay Press, Rachel Kohrman-Ramos, Ben Wootten, Carolyn Heller, Audrey Means, Jim Wadman

B. Flag Salute

C. Approval of the Minutes of Previous Meetings

1. A motion was made by Alice Herrick, seconded by John Richardson, to approve the minutes of the January 11, 2012 meeting. Motion passed 4-0.
2. A motion was made by Alice Herrick, seconded by John Richardson, to approve the minutes of the January 18, 2012 meeting. Motion passed 4-0.
3. A motion was made by Alice Herrick, seconded by John Richardson, to approve the minutes of the January 25, 2012 meeting. Motion passed 4-0.

D. Approval of the Agenda

A motion was made by Alice Herrick, seconded by Annie Rice, to approve the agenda as presented. Motion passed 4-0.

E. Communications

Jim Wadman went over the audit, page by page, with the Blue Hill board, answering questions. He has been auditing Blue Hill for twenty years and he hasn't met with the Blue Hill board until this point.

F. Comments and/or Questions from the Public

Matt Jurick had a question about paying students for summer technology work. Mark Hurvitt answered that it would not be out of district funds. Matt Jurick also requested that the board suspend its' food policy for the upcoming play he is directing, "Charlie and the Chocolate Factory", since the theme is all about candy.

A motion was made by Alice Herrick, seconded by John Richardson, to allow all food sales, except for soda, during the performances of "Charlie and the Chocolate Factory." Motion passed 5-0.

G. Reports

1. GSA Report – None

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

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### **G. Reports (continued)**

3. Superintendent's Report – Mark Hurvitt reported on his latest guess for the 2012-2013 state subsidy which is \$81,980.57.  
He noted Carolyn Heller's anticipated balances report, which was handed out.  
He noted that the email system will be down for improvements over February vacation.  
He reported on the meeting with Peninsula Montessori Pre School on January 31<sup>st</sup>. Annie Rice was also at that meeting.
4. PTF Report – None
5. Building and Grounds Committee Report – None
6. Other Reports - None

### **H. Old Business**

1. Board Goals 2011-2012 – Acknowledged
2. Report back on “Time Use In School Day” Committee  
John Richardson and Della Martin did a powerpoint presentation, concluding that the 3-8 school day is approximately 40 minutes short to fit in everything we want to do.
3. Update on Viking Lumber Lien  
A motion was made by John Richardson, seconded by Annie Rice, for Mark Hurvitt to send a letter to Viking Lumber cancelling BHCS' account as Viking Lumber has been unwilling to release its' lien against BHCS of \$5,056.99 and, at this point, it has turned into a claim against BHCS.
4. Math Curriculum Update  
There was quite a long discussion of the current Math program and the reasoning behind changing it. Patty Clapp read a letter from the 3-5 teachers opposing a change. The board remained committed to purchasing a new program, and having it start in September, 2012. Rachel Kohrman-Ramos will be involved in the process of choosing a new program. The board would like to approve the proposed program in April to allow for professional development before September. There is money set aside in the budget to buy a new program.

### **I. New Business**

1. A motion was made by Alice Herrick, seconded by Annie Rice, 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, 2011 and 2010.” Motion passed 5-0.
2. A motion was made by Alice Herrick, seconded by Annie Rice, to acknowledge receipt of the “Blue Hill Consolidated School Student Activity & Principal's Funds Comparative Financial Statements with Independent Auditor's Report.” Motion passed 5-0.
3. A motion was made by Alice Herrick, seconded by Annie Rice, to acknowledge receipt of the “Blue Hill School Department Financial Statements and Supplemental Schedules for the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2011.” Motion passed 5-0.

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I. New Business (continued)

4. Discussion of Draft 2012-2013 Budget  
This was tabled until February 9, 2012.

J. Items for Next Month's Agenda

- Add: Sports policy discussion
- Honor roll policy discussion
- Eighth grade trip to Boston approval.

K. Signing of Vouchers – The vouchers were signed.

L. Adjournment – The meeting was adjourned at 7:48 p.m. by Chair Jon Smallidge.

Respectfully submitted,

Mark E. Hurvitt  
Superintendent of Schools