

Blue Hill School Committee Meeting
January 8, 2014
Blue Hill Consolidated School
Minutes

A. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 5:00 p.m. by Chair John Richardson, followed by the salute to the flag.

Members Present: John Richardson, Ben Wootten, Annie Rice, Jan Snow, Susan Keenan arrived at 5:14 p.m.

Members Absent: None

Others Present: Mark Hurvitt, Della Martin, Beth Jackson, Anne Berleant, reporter for *The Penobscot Bay Press*, Sean Walsh, Tracy Gandy, Franklin Burke, Matt Jurick

B. Flag Salute

C. Approval of the Minutes of Previous Meetings

1. A motion was made by Ben Wootten, seconded by Jan Snow, to approve the minutes of the December 11, 2013 meeting. Motion passed 4-0.

D. Approval of the Agenda

A motion was made by Annie Rice, seconded by Ben Wootten, to approve the agenda as presented.

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 and is attached to the office minutes.
2. Principal’s Report – Della Martin’s written report was handed out and is attached to the office minutes.
3. Superintendent’s Report – None.
4. PTF Report – Clubs have started: Garden Club, Ukulele’s, Calligraphy
PTF is working on teacher appreciation.
5. Building and Grounds Committee Report
Franklin Burke was present to report on all the leaking on January 6th, from both flat roofs. An insurance claim has been filed. The roofing company has been contacted to fix the problem.

H. Old Business

1. Pre-K Report

Nothing new. Next meeting is February 5th

I. New Business

1. To Approve BEEM Grants -

A motion was made by Ben Wootten, seconded by Jan Snow, to approve the BEEM grants enclosed.

Motion passed 5-0.

2. To Appoint an Ed Tech III for the Remainder of the 2013-2014 School Year -

A motion was made by Ben Wootten, seconded by Annie Rice, to follow the Superintendent’s nomination and to appoint Lindsley Simmons as a long-term substitute Ed. Tech. I for the remainder of the 2013-2014 school year.

Motion passed 5-0.

3. To Appoint a Long Term Substitute Teacher for Grade 6 -

A motion was made by Annie Rice, seconded by Ben Wootten, to follow the Superintendent’s nomination and to appoint Kat Hudson as the long-term substitute grade 6 teacher for Katie Danielson.

Motion passed 5-0.

4. First Reading of the Visitors to School Policy #1100 –

The committee has not met.

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I. New Business (continued)

5. To Acknowledge Receipt of the School Lunch Program Comparative Financial Statements with Independent Auditor's Report for the Fiscal Years Ended June 30, 2013 and 2012 –
A motion was made by Ben Wootten, seconded by Susan Keenan, to acknowledge receipt of the report.
Motion passed 5-0.

6. To Acknowledge Receipt of the Blue Hill School Department Financial Statements and Supplemental Schedules for the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2013 –
A motion was made by Ben Wootten, seconded by Annie Rice, to acknowledge receipt of the report.
Motion passed 5-0.
Jim Wadman, the auditor, will call John Richardson, Board Chair, as per the new law.

7. Discussion of Union 93 Mission Statement –
The Board commented on it, mostly unfavorably. Ben Wootten is the Blue Hill representative to the January 22nd meeting.

8. First Draft of the 2014-2015 School Budget –
The Board will go over it, page by page, on January 15th.

9. Executive Session per 1 M.R.S.A. § 405 (6)(A) For the Purpose of Principal Contract Matters
A motion was made by Ben Wootten, seconded by Jan Snow, to enter into an Executive Session per 1 MRSA § 405 (6)(A) for the purpose of principal contract matters with the Board, Della Martin and Mark Hurvitt.
Motion passed 5-0.

Time In: 5:50 p.m. Time Out: 6:25 p.m.

10. Possible Action on Principal Contract Matters
Upon returning to open session, a motion was made by Ben Wootten, seconded by Susan Keenan, to extend Della Martin's contract until June 30, 2016.
Motion passed 5-0.
Financial terms will be set on January 15th.

11. Executive Session per 1 M.R.S.A. § 405 (6)(A) For the Purpose of Personnel Matters –
A motion was made by Ben Wootten, seconded by Jan Snow, to enter into an Executive Session per 1 MRSA § 405 (6)(A) for the purpose of personnel matters with the Board, Della Martin, Franklin Burke and Mark Hurvitt.
Motion passed 5-0.

Time In: 6:30 p.m. Time Out: 6:50 p.m.

12. Possible Action on Head of Custodian Contract Matters
Upon returning to open session, a motion was made by Ben Wootten, seconded by Jan Snow, to extend Franklin Burke's contract until June 30, 2015.
Motion passed 5-0.
Financial terms will be set on January 15th.

J. Items for Next Month's Agenda

K. Signing of Vouchers – The vouchers were signed.

L. Adjournment – The meeting was adjourned at 6:53 p.m. by Chair John Richardson.

Respectfully submitted,

Mark E. Hurvitt
Superintendent of Schools