

Blue Hill School Committee Meeting
July 12, 2005
Blue Hill Consolidated School
Minutes

A. Call to Order - Roll Call

The meeting was called to order at 7:02 p.m. by Chair Ann Louise d'Entremont followed by the salute to the flag.

Members Present: Ann Louise d'Entremont; Ben Wootten; Susan Keenan; Prudy Heilner

Members Absent: Jon Smallidge

Others Present: Mark Hurvitt; Fred Cole; Isaac Kestenbaum; Mike Young

B. Flag Salute

C. Approval of Agenda

Ben Wootten moved and Prudy Heilner seconded to approve the agenda with the addition of I.9 "Set Board Goals Session for 2005-2006." The motion passed 4-0.

D. Approval of Minutes of Previous School Board Meetings

1. Ben Wootten moved and Prudy Heilner seconded to approve the minutes of the June 8, 2005 meeting. The motion passed 4-0.

E. Communications

Letter of Resignation from Rachel Leach is enclosed with the office minutes.

Letter from Bronwyn Meredith-Umphrey requesting a leave of absence for the 2005-2006 school year is enclosed with the office minutes.

Coaching Letter from Robert McCormick is enclosed with the office minutes.

Letter from Maegan Haney Requesting Athletic Director Position for 2005-2006 is enclosed with the office minutes.

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F. Comments and/or Questions from the Public

None

G. Information

1. GSA Report - New grading standard at GSA is 70% passing rather than 60%.
- Ten percent of GSA students identified as special education.

2. Principal's Report - Fred Cole's report is enclosed with the office minutes.

3. Superintendent's Report - Mr. Hurvitt is leaving on July 13th to the Catskills; returning on July 19th.

4. Other Reports/Information - None

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H. Old Business

1. J.W. Sewall Assessment Report - Mike Young

Mr. Young went over the draft report which was received by the board on June 8, 2005.

His presentation lasted 7:17 p.m. until 7:52 p.m. There were several items which the board requested changed, among them: sorting differently of priorities, and adding exterior painting. At this point, there are seventeen Priority-1 items. Mark Hurvitt will call Mr. Young on August 1st and will compare notes so that he can turn the draft into a final report. In the meantime, board members are encouraged to contact Mr. Hurvitt with revisions before August 1st.

I. New Business

1. Ben Wootten moved and Prudy Heilner seconded to accept Rachel Leach's letter of resignation effective the end of the 2004-2005 school year with regrets.

The motion passed 4-0.

2. Ben Wootten moved and Prudy Heilner seconded to follow the superintendent's recommendation and to approve Bronwyn Meredith-Umphrey's request for a one year leave of absence for the 2005-2006 school year.

The motion passed 4-0.

3. Possible Appointment of a Special Education Middle Level Ed. Tech. II

This was tabled until August.

4. Possible Appointment of a Custodian

This was tabled until August.

5. Ben Wootten moved and Susan Keenan seconded to follow the superintendent's nomination and to appoint Bob McCormick to the following coaching positions

for the 2005-2006 school year: Intramural Soccer; Intramural Basketball; Gymnastics; Intramural Boys/Girls Baseball/Softball

The motion passed 4-0.

Ben Wootten moved and Susan Keenan seconded to follow the superintendent's nomination and to appoint Maegan Haney to the following positions for the 2005-2006 school year: Athletic Director for the Fall, Winter, Spring and Coed Soccer "A" Coach

The motion passed 4-0.

6. Transportation RFP Review

Mark Hurvitt handed out the potential RFP which will be advertised in late August in order for the board to award the bid at its October meeting. This will appear as an agenda item in August for board approval. In the meantime, please get comments and revisions to Mark Hurvitt between now and then. The bid will go out requesting three and four buses this time.

7. The Summary of Accounts was available for review.

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I. New Business (Continued)

8. Discuss/Appoint Board Negotiating Team

The board reached consensus that Ben Wootten will be a negotiator.

Ann Louise d'Entremont will have a conversation with Jon Smallidge and either one of those two will be the other negotiator.

9. The board will have a special meeting for goal setting for 2005-2006 on July 26th beginning 7:00 PM until 8:30 PM at Blue Hill Consolidated School.

J. Signing of Vouchers

The vouchers were signed.

K. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 8:26 p.m. by Chair Ann Louise d'Entremont.

Respectfully submitted,

Mark Hurvitt
Superintendent