

Brunswick School Board

MINUTES

Wednesday, November 10, 2010

7:00 p.m.

Maine Street Station

16 Station Avenue

Room 217

School Board Members Present: Corinne Perreault, Chairman;
James Grant, Vice Chairman;
Janet Connors, James Matthew Corey,
John Jones, Michele Joyce,
Michelle Small, Byron Watson

School Board Members Absent: Marybeth Latti

Staff Members Present: Paul Perzanoski, Superintendent;
Gregory Bartlett, Assistant
Superintendent; James Oikle, Business
Manager; Jean Skorapa, Curriculum
Director/Interim Principal, Jordan
Acres School; David Brunette, Director
of Grounds & Transportation;
Andrew Kosak, Teacher; Richard Ryan,
Bus Driver; Christine Patton,
Administrative Secretary

Guests: Beth Brogan, The Times Record; Vladimir
Douhovnikoff, Dana Bateman, Leslie
Levy, Andrea Loeffler, Jeff Austin,
parents; Becky Shepherd, Brunswick
Community Educational Foundation;
Richard Ellis, Brenda Clough, others

Call to Order

Mrs. Perreault called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance

Adjustments to the Agenda

Addition to Item 149 a. 9. First Reading of Existing Policy FILE: ACAD
Hazing;

Delete in Item 149: Consideration to rescind Policy Files FICFA Hazing
and JKGA Time Out Rooms and Therapeutic Restraint

Consent Agenda Action

None

Old Business

143. Consideration of the Minutes of October 13, 2010

MOTION: Watson SECOND: Jones VOTE:7-0-1 (Connors abstained)

TO: Dispense with the reading of the minutes of October 13, 2010, and approve them as printed.

144. Communications/Correspondence

Ms. Small said she received communication regarding school equity. She presented information about poverty in schools.

Mrs. Perreault commented on the recent death of Hal Myrick.

145. Discussion - Redistricting

Mr. Brunette made a presentation on several redistricting options for K-2 students for school year 2011-2012. Board members discussed several proposals. Mr. Perzanoski said he would gather more information for the December 1 Board workshop.

146. Public Participation

Several members of the public spoke about redistricting concerns for school year 2011-2012.

147. Superintendent's Report

FOCUS REPORT - Leveled Literacy Intervention Data Collection
Report for 2009-2010 - Mrs. Skorapa

Mrs. Skorapa reported on results for Brunswick students enrolled in the Leveled Literacy Intervention (LLI) program. She said a majority of those in the program showed significant progress.

- a. Building and Equipment Use: Independent Zumba Fitness - use of Coffin School and Brunswick High School for Zumba fitness classes; Youth Theater Benefit - use of Crooker Theater for scholarship benefit performance; Maine Bike Rally Organization - use of high school cafeteria and gym for Maine Bike Rally weekend; Pathway Vineyard Church - use of junior high for church services; Bath Area Family YMCA - use of junior high school cafeteria for Freedom Tour parent meeting; Friends of Curtis Library - use of junior high gymnasium for annual library book sale; Longfellow School Alumni Committee - use of alumni room at Hawthorne School for planning Longfellow School celebration event

- b. Resignations: Deborah Barker, Kindergarten Teacher, Coffin School
David Brunette, Director of Grounds and Transportation
Charles Totten, Night Custodian, Brunswick High School

- c. Recognition

- 1. Fall Sports Standings

- Mr. Perzanoski reported on fall sports standings for the junior high and high schools.

- 2. United Way Award

- Mr. Perzanoski was pleased to report that the Brunswick School Department was presented the United Way Education Division Award.

- d. Donations

- 1. VM Ware User Group

- The Superintendent reported that the VM Ware User Group donated money to Brunswick High School for new video projectors.

- 2. Comcast Internet Service

- Mr. Perzanoski announced that Comcast continues to provide free high-speed Internet service to Brunswick schools.

- e. Budget Update - Mr. Oikle

- Mr. Oikle reported that the Brunswick High School Class of 1959 donated \$6,000 to the Brunswick Area Student Aid Fund. He said that the federal government has given the school department \$284,301 in impact aid.

- f. Brunswick Community Educational Foundation - Becky Shepherd

- Ms. Shepherd announced that the foundation is looking for new members to carry on its work of funding programs not covered by the school budget.

- g. District Flu Vaccination Clinic

- Mr. Perzanoski announced that there is a flu vaccine clinic for students scheduled for December 11, 2010, at Jordan Acres School.

h. Interim Principal for Jordan Acres School

Mr. Perzanoski said an ad was placed Sunday to advertise for an interim principal at Jordan Acres School.

i. Negotiations Committee Meeting Date

Mr. Perzanoski offered two dates for the Negotiations Committee to meet to discuss the teachers' contract.

j. Response to Strategic Planning Ad

Mr. Perzanoski said that there are several firms interested in assisting the school department with strategic planning. The deadline for receiving proposals is November 15, 2010.

k. Grant Application - BHS Salad Bar

The Superintendent announced that he has given support to a grant application from The Great American Salad Bar Project to provide a salad bar for Brunswick High School.

Mr. Perzanoski said there is a Preschool Survey on the school website.

148. Board Chair's Report

a. Election Results

Mrs. Perreault congratulated Janet Connors on her re-election, and Brenda Clough and Richard Ellis on their election to the School Board.

b. MSBA Delegate Assembly Report - Ms. Joyce

Ms. Joyce reported on workshop sessions she attended, and resolution results decided by the MSBA Assembly.

c. October 27, 2010, Workshop Report - Mr. Grant

No report

d. December 1, 2010, Workshop, 6:00 p.m., Maine Street Station - Redistricting and Strategic Planning

Mrs. Perreault announced the workshop topics would include redistricting and preliminary steps for strategic planning.

e. Letter to Town Manager Regarding Funds for Facilities Studies

Mr. Perzanoski explained that a letter would be sent to the Town Manager to request funds for initiating improvements to Jordan Acres, Coffin and Brunswick Junior High Schools.

149. Committee Reports

a. Policy Committee - Ms. Small

Mr. Grant moved, with a second by Mrs. Connors, to combine and approve the following policies. The vote was unanimous of the Board members present to approve:

1. Proposed Policy FILE: BBBAB STUDENT LIAISON TO THE SCHOOL BOARD with changes to paragraph 3.
2. Proposed Policy FILE: EEBB EMPLOYEE USE OF PRIVATE VEHICLES TO TRANSPORT STUDENTS as amended.

MOTION: Perreault SECOND: Connors VOTE: Unanimous of the
Board Members
present

TO: Approve amending bulleted section 7 to add younger and smaller students to sit in backseat as per state law.

3. Proposed Policy FILE: EEBB-E1 EMPLOYEE REQUEST TO USE PERSONAL VEHICLE FOR SCHOOL BUSINESS as presented.
4. Proposed Policy FILE: EEBB-E2 PERSONAL VEHICLE CHECKLIST as presented.
5. Proposed Policy FILE: EEBB-E3 PARENT/GUARDIAN PERMISSION FOR TRANSPORTATION BY PRIVATE VEHICLE, WAIVER, RELEASE AND AGREEMENT TO HOLD HARMLESS as presented.
6. First Reading of Proposed Policy FILE: JKAA TIME OUT ROOMS AND THERAPEUTIC RESTRAINT for a second reading as presented.
7. First Reading of Proposed Policy FILE: JKAA-R TIME OUT ROOMS AND THERAPEUTIC RESTRAINT for a second reading as presented.
8. First Reading of Existing Policy FILE: ACAD HAZING for a second reading as presented.

b. Curriculum Committee - Ms. Joyce

Ms. Joyce reported that the committee reviewed Life Management, Business Management and Word Processing curriculums.

c. Elementary School Building Committee - Mrs. Connors

Mrs. Connors reported that the committee had a construction update, heard committee reports and reviewed a change order.

d. SAD 75/Brunswick Joint Task Force - Mr. Perzanoski

Mr. Perzanoski said the Task Force heard committee reports and finalized surveys for staff, students and parents.

New Business

150. Consideration of Approval of Life Management (Consumer and Life Studies) Curriculum

Ms. Joyce moved, with a second by Mrs. Connors, to combine and approve Items 150, 151, 152. The vote was unanimous of the Board members present to approve:

Item 150: Brunswick High School Life Management (Consumer and Life Studies) Curriculum as presented.

Item 151: Brunswick High School Business Management Curriculum as presented.

Item 152: Brunswick High School Word Processing Curriculum as presented.

153. Calendar/Announcements

None

154. Future Agenda Items

Ms. Joyce suggested examining the Board workshop process.

Mrs. Perreault asked school board members to consider participating on the student liaison selection committee.

Adjournment

Mrs. Perreault adjourned the meeting at 9:28 p.m.

Paul K. Perzanoski, Secretary
Brunswick School Board