

**BRISTOL WARREN REGIONAL
SCHOOL COMMITTEE MEETING**

Monday, August 22, 2016

The bi-monthly meeting of the Bristol Warren Regional School Committee was held on Monday, August 22, 2016, in the cafeteria of Mt. Hope High School, 199 Chestnut Street, Bristol, RI. Chairman John Bento called the meeting to order at approximately 7:06 PM.

Present: John Bento, Chairperson; Paul Silva, Vice Chairperson; Karen Lynch, Secretary; Marjorie McBride, Treasurer; Diana Campbell, William O'Dell, and John Saviano; Mario J. Andrade, Superintendent; Diane Sanna, Assistant Superintendent; Mary Almeida, Director of Literacy & Title 1; Leslie Anderson, Director of Pupil Personnel Services; Pauline Silva, Director of Administration and Finance, and Andrew Henneous, Esq., District Solicitor

Absent: Erin Schofield and Lynn Wainwright

OPENING BUSINESS

All present were invited to join in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Chairperson Bento stated, for the record, that there was no need for an executive session.

SUPERINTENDENT'S RECOMMENDATIONS AND ISSUES

RECOMMENDATION #S2016-51

All items listed with an asterisk on the Consent Agenda are considered to be routine by the School Committee and will be enacted by one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless a committee member requests, in which event the items will be withdrawn from the general order of business and considered in the normal sequence of the agenda. Hearing none, Chairperson Bento asked for a motion.

MOTION: Mr. Saviano made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda; seconded by Mrs. McBride. The motion passed unanimously.

S2016-51 A-F: CONSENT AGENDA - PERSONNEL

A. GCD APPOINTMENTS: That the School Committee confirm the Superintendent's appointment of the following applicant to the position of Data Manager in accordance with Section GCD of the School Committee Bylaws as follows:

1. Barbara B. Kelleher Data Manager

**Effective: August 29, 2016, pending
satisfactory completion of
pre-employment
requirements**

**Reason: To fill a vacancy
(Retirement – N. Squatrito)**

Funding: Operational Budget

B. APPOINTMENTS: That the School Committee confirm the recommendation of the Superintendent to appoint the following applicants to the positions of Elementary Assistant Principal, Middle School Science Teacher, Middle School Social Studies Teacher, Secondary Mathematics Teacher and ESL Summer Tutor as listed below:

1. Renee A. Reis Assistant Principal – Hugh Cole

**Effective: Immediately, pending
receipt of certification and satisfactory
completion of pre-employment
requirements**

**Reason: To fill a vacancy
(Resignation – C. Mandese)**

Funding: Operational Budget

2. Jillian Schneider Science Teacher – Kickemuit Middle

**Effective: For the 2016-17 school year,
pending receipt of certification and
satisfactory completion of pre-
employment requirements**

**Reason: To fill a vacancy
(Resignation – K. Marshall)**

**Funding: Operational Budget
(5th Step/Masters)**

3. Jeremiah Ryan Social Studies Teacher – Kickemuit Middle

**Effective: For the 2016-17 school year,
pending receipt of certification and
satisfactory completion of pre-
employment requirements**

**Reason: To fill a vacancy
(Resignation – B. Rodrigues)**

**Funding: Operational Budget
(4th Step)**

**4. Katrina Traficante Mathematics Teacher – Mt. Hope
High**

**Effective: For the 2016-17 school year,
pending receipt of certification
and satisfactory completion of
pre-employment requirements**

**Reason: To fill a vacancy
(Resignation – A. Fayan)**

**Funding: Operational Budget
(1st Step/Masters)**

5. Jennifer S. Ramirez ESL Summer Tutor

Effective: Summer 2016 Only

Reason: To fill a new position

Funding: Operational Budget

C. BEFORE AND AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAM: That the School Committee confirm the recommendation of the Superintendent to appoint the following applicants to the School of the 21st Century, Before and After School Program, as listed below (pending sufficient enrollment to warrant running this program and DCYF CANTS clearance):

1. Meagan A. Lopes Child Care Site Coordinator (Part Time)

Effective: Immediately, for the remainder of the 2016-17 school year, pending satisfactory completion of pre-employment requirements

Reason: To fill a vacancy

Funding: Parent Fees/Self-Sufficient

2. Sara B. Pugliese Child Care Site Coordinator (Part Time)

Effective: Immediately, for the remainder of the 2016-17 school year,

**pending satisfactory completion of
pre-employment requirements**

Reason: To fill a vacancy

Funding: Parent Fees/Self-Sufficient

3. Kerry F. Allen Senior Child Care Provider (Part Time)

**Effective: Immediately, for the
remainder of the 2016-17 school year,
pending satisfactory completion of
pre-employment requirements**

Reason: To fill a vacancy

Funding: Parent Fees/Self-Sufficient

4. Cayley H. Dorr Senior Child Care Provider (Part Time)

**Effective: Immediately, for the
remainder of the 2016-17 school year,
pending satisfactory completion of
pre-employment requirements**

Reason: To fill a vacancy

Funding: Parent Fees/Self-Sufficient

D. KINDERGARTEN SCREENING TEACHERS: That the School Committee confirm the recommendation of the Superintendent to appoint the following individuals as Kindergarten Screening Teachers for the 2016-17 school year only:

Name

- 1. Susan Abilheira**
- 2. Maria Grace Arruda**
- 3. Angela Hawkins**
- 4. Paula Richards-Sousa**
- 5. Jacqueline Taylor**

E. EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES: That the School Committee confirm the recommendation of the Superintendent to appoint the following applicants to the extracurricular positions listed below for the 2016-17 school year only (pending certification, funding and sufficient sign-ups to warrant running these programs):

FALL COACHES – MT. HOPE HIGH

Sport Position Coach

- 1. Football Volunteer Coach Jason Proulx ***
- 2. Soccer (Girls) Asst. Coach Brittany Terra**

CLUB COACHES – MT. HOPE HIGH

Sport Position Coach

3. Cheerleading (Football) Head Coach Amanda DaCosta *

INTERSCHOLASTIC COACHES – KICKEMUIT MIDDLE

Sport Position Coach

4. Soccer (Boys) Head Coach James Shea *

5. Soccer (Boys) Asst. Coach Mariana McCormack *

*** Pending satisfactory completion of pre-employment requirements**

F. ATHLETIC EVENT SUPERVISORS/TIME CLOCK KEEPERS/TICKET TAKERS: That the School Committee confirm the recommendation of the Superintendent to appoint the following individual for the 2016-17 school year only as an Athletic Event Supervisor, Time Clock Keeper or Ticket Taker for the Bristol Warren Regional School District (pending certification, funding and sufficient activities):

Name Position

1. Adrienne Burke Time Clock Keeper/Ticket Taker

Dr. Andrade said that it was his honor and privilege to welcome the new appointees. He shared the new appointees' work achievements, educational backgrounds and their past academic accomplishments.

Chairperson Bento welcomed the new appointees on behalf of the School Committee.

RECOMMENDATION #S2016-52

That the School Committee, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, and supported by the Budget/Facilities Subcommittee, approve the Athletic Training Services Bid.

MOTION: Mrs. McBride made a motion to approve the Athletic Training Services Bid; seconded by Mr. Saviano.

DISCUSSION: Mrs. McBride stated that Olympic Physical Therapy was the only bidder for Athletic Training Services. Mrs. McBride commented that, if approved, the bid term for Olympic Physical Therapy would include a three year contract with two single year extensions.

Mrs. Silva, Director of Administration and Finance, stated that Olympic Physical Therapy is the District's current Physical Therapy Trainer.

The motion passed unanimously.

RECOMMENDATION #S2016-53

That the School Committee, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, and supported by the Policy & Curriculum

Subcommittee, approve the first reading of the Programs for Students with Disabilities Policy.

MOTION: Mr. Saviano made a motion to approve the first reading of the Programs for Students with Disabilities Policy; seconded by Mr. Silva.

DISCUSSION: Mrs. Campbell requested clarification regarding the changes to the Programs for Students with Disabilities Policy. Mrs. Anderson, Director of Pupil Services, responded that the policy was brought before the School Committee for the purpose of updating the language.

Mrs. Campbell questioned why the full School Committee would have to review and approve minor edits. Mrs. McBride responded that because the policy title changed as a result of the language updates, the full School Committee would be required to approve.

Mr. O'Dell asked for confirmation that the District's legal counsel reviewed the policy citing the changes made to the legal references within the policy. Mr. Henneous, the District's lawyer, stated that he had reviewed the changes to the policy and that it is in compliance with all statutes and regulations.

The motion passed unanimously.

RECOMMENDATION #S2016-54

That the School Committee, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, and supported by the Policy & Curriculum Subcommittee, approve the first reading of the Agenda-Meeting Format Policy (BDDB).

MOTION: Mr. Saviano made a motion to approve the first reading of the Agenda-Meeting Format Policy (BDDB); seconded by Mr. O'Dell.

DISCUSSION: Mrs. McBride stated that she has already shared several concerns regarding the revisions of the Agenda-Meeting Format Policy (BDDB) with Mrs. Schofield, Policy & Curriculum Subcommittee Chairperson, and Mr. Henneous, the District's lawyer.

A short discussion ensued regarding the difference between Public Comment and Public Forum from a legal standpoint.

MOTION: Mrs. McBride made a motion to amend the Agenda-Meeting Format Policy (BDDB) to only include the following statement: "The agenda will be set by the Chair in conjunction with the Superintendent"; seconded by Mrs. Lynch.

DISCUSSION: A lengthy discussion ensued in favor of the motion to amend the Agenda-Meeting Format Policy (BDDB) as stated.

The amended motion passed unanimously.

The motion to approve the first reading of the Agenda-Meeting Format Policy (BDDDB) passed unanimously.

Subcommittee/School Committee Reports & Initiatives

Budget/Facilities Subcommittee

Mrs. McBride stated that the next meeting will be held on Monday, September 19, 2016 at 6:00 p.m. She commented that the budget is in good shape. Mrs. McBride encouraged her fellow School Committee members to take a look at the Guiteras baseball field.

A short discussion ensued regarding the Colt Fund Policy.

Policy & Curriculum Subcommittee

Mrs. Schofield was not present to give a Policy & Curriculum Subcommittee update. Chairperson Bento reported that the next Policy & Curriculum Subcommittee meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, September 6th at 6:00 p.m.

Personnel/Contract Negotiations Subcommittee

Mr. Silva had nothing new to report.

Wellness Subcommittee

Chairperson Bento conveyed a message from Mrs. Wainwright, Wellness Committee Chairperson, who was not present at this

evening's meeting, that she had nothing further to share at this time.

Chairperson's Initiatives

Chairperson Bento stated there were no new Chairperson's Initiatives to discuss at this time.

ADJOURNMENT – 7:32 PM

MOTION: There being no further business to discuss, Mrs. Lynch motioned to adjourn the meeting at 7:32 PM; seconded by Mrs. Campbell. The motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Karen A. Lynch, Secretary

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