

BIDDEFORD SCHOOL DEPARTMENT
November 22, 2011

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REGULAR SCHOOL COMMITTEE MEETING
7:00 p.m. – City Hall Council Chambers

Minutes

- A. Call to Order:** Mayor Twomey called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.
- B. Roll Call:** Mayor Twomey, Peggy Bean, Roberta Bernier, Tammy Fleurent, Nathan Mills, Laura Seaver, Sean O'Neil and Elyse Oliver. **Also in Attendance:** Sarah-Jane Poli.
Excused: Alexandra Clarke, Tony Michaud and Jeff Porter.
1. **Pledge of Allegiance:** Mayor Twomey led everyone in the Pledge of Allegiance.
 2. **Adjustments to the Agenda:** None
 3. **Consideration of Minutes:** 10/25/11
Mrs. Bean moved and Mrs. Bernier seconded, unanimous vote, to accept the minutes of 10/25/11.
 4. **Public Participation:**
Bil Moriarty, Ward 5, asked if the stipends had to be voted on tonight. Miss Poli indicated that stipends are part of the collective bargaining agreement with the teachers.

Bob Mills, Ward 5, presented Mayor Twomey with a photo of City Hall to thank her for her service.
 5. **Old Business:** None
 6. **New Business:**
 - a. **Approve: 1st reading on the following policies:**
 - JJIAA**, Private School Students – Access to Public School Co-Curricular, Interscholastic and Extra-Curricular Activities
Mrs. Bean moved and Mrs. Bernier seconded, unanimous vote, to approve the above policy.
 - JJIAA-E1**, Private School Student Application for Participation in the Biddeford School District Co-Curricular Activities
Mrs. Bernier moved and Mrs. Bean seconded, unanimous vote, to approve the above policy.
 - JJIAA-E2**, Private School Student Application for Participation in the Biddeford School District Extra-Curricular Activities
Mrs. Bean moved and Mrs. Seaver seconded, unanimous vote, to approve the above policy.
 - JJIAA-E3**, Verification of Private School Student Eligibility for Participation in the Biddeford School District Co-Curricular Activities
Mrs. Seaver moved and Mrs. Bernier seconded, unanimous vote, to approve the above policy.
 - JJIAA-E4**, Verification of Private School Student Eligibility for Participation in the Biddeford School District Extra-Curricular Activities
Mrs. Seaver moved and Mrs. Bean seconded, unanimous vote, to approve the above policy.
 - a. **Approve: 2nd reading on the policies listed above:**
Mrs. Bernier moved and Mrs. Bean seconded, unanimous vote, to approve the above policies.
 - b. **Approve: Request to Reallocate 1 Stipend, BHS**
Mr. Mills moved and Mrs. Bernier seconded, unanimous vote, to use the unused JV Field Hockey stipend in the amount of \$2,210 for the JV Boys Lacrosse Coach for the school year 2011-2012.

c. Approve: Quote for 4 Smart Boards, BPS

Mr. Mills moved and Mrs. Bernier seconded, unanimous vote, to accept the bid in the amount of \$13,827 for 4 smart boards, speakers, cables, and installation from Valley Communications Systems.

d. Acknowledge Outgoing School Committee Members

Mayor Twomey presented the following school committee members with a plaque acknowledging their years of service: Peggy Bean, Roberta Bernier, Nathan Mills and Laura Seaver.

Co-Chair, Nathan Mills, on behalf of the Biddeford School Committee and the Superintendent, presented Mayor Twomey with a plaque acknowledging her years of service.

7. Resignations-Nominations-Appointments-Transfers:

Resignations: Accepted by the Superintendent.

- Denise Gagnon, Food Service Worker, BMS
- Gary MacMullen, Industrial Arts Technology Teacher, BHS

Appointments:

• **Winter 2011-2012 Coach Stipends, BHS (see memo in packet)**

Mrs. Bernier moved and Mr. Mills seconded, unanimous vote, to approve the above appointment.

• **John Schneider, Girls JV Varsity Basketball, BHS**

Mrs. Bernier moved and Mrs. Seaver seconded, unanimous vote, to approve the above appointment.

• **Winter 2011-2012 Coach Stipends, BMS (see memo in packet)**

Mrs. Bernier moved and Mrs. Seaver seconded, unanimous vote, to approve the above appointment.

• **BMS Stipends (see memo in packet)**

Mrs. Bernier moved and Mr. Mills seconded, unanimous vote, to approve the above appointment.

• **Ariel Narbis, JV Cheering Coach Stipend, BHS**

Mrs. Bernier moved and Mrs. Bean seconded, unanimous vote, to approve the above appointment.

• **Volunteers (see memo in packet)**

Mrs. Bernier moved and Mr. Mills seconded, unanimous vote, to approve the above appointment.

8. Reports of Standing Committees:

Finance – Mr. Mills reported the Finance Committee met this evening. They will be turning the committee over to the new school committee.

Policy Negotiations/Personnel – No Reports.

9. Reports of Special Committees:

Curriculum – Mrs. Fleurent reported the Curriculum Committee will meet in January 2012.

Student Representatives –

Ms. Oliver reported the winter sports have started. There are a lot of bottle drives and she encouraged the public to participate in them.

CIP, Transportation – No reports.

10. Superintendent's Report:

Miss Poli reported the following:

The Fall Athletic Awards Ceremony for Biddeford High School students was held on Thursday, 11/10, at 6:00 p.m. in the Tiger Gym. I am pleased to share with you that Principal Wolfe informed me that Ron Ouellette, Math Teacher at BHS, was recently honored by his colleagues in the Commonwealth Coastal Conference of the NCAA as Conference Coach of the Year. Mr. Ouellette coaches the men's and women's cross country teams at UNE. The UNE Nor'easters men's team placed second overall at the conference meet for the second year in a row.

Mr. Wolfe also sent a positive email that I'd like to share:

Dear Colleagues,

Elias and I had a good day today with the seniors who volunteered at the Habitat Rehab Project in Springvale. I wanted to relay something that Richard Parsons, President of Habitat of York County, told me this afternoon. He said that the students they have worked with from BHS are outstanding volunteers almost without exception –hard working, polite and are careful about what they do. He then told me that our students have rekindled his faith in their generation (he is 72). He said there are a lot of negative stories and images out there, but the Habitat leaders are just blown away by the civic ethic our kids show year after year. Just had to share that with you. Britt.

I received a phone call today from the Owner's Rep and spoke with Mr. Wolfe. They are having difficulty with the move and teachers may not be ready for Monday. I would like to wish everyone a Happy Thanksgiving!

11. Communications:

Mayor Twomey thanked Miss Poli, the staff, the principals and the school committee for the work they have done over the past four years.

12. Executive Session: None

13. Adjournment: Mrs. Bernier moved and Mrs. Bean seconded, unanimous vote, to adjourn at 7:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Sarah-Jane Poli, School Committee Secretary

Minutes Recorded: Karen Moody

Minutes Transcribed: Diane Milliard