

The Barnstable School Committee met on Monday, May 18, 2015, in the Town Hall Hearing Room. Present were Chair Margeaux Weber, Vice-Chair Stephanie Ellis, and Committee members Chris Joyce, Fran McDonald and Patrick Murphy. Also present were Student Envoys Olivia Brodt and Donnie Brodd, Dr. Mary Czajkowski, Kristen Harmon and Bill Butler.

Ms. Weber called the meeting to order at 7:02 PM.

Core Values

Ms. Weber recited the Core Values of the Barnstable School System.

Video or Audio Recording of the Meeting

Ms. Weber reminded everyone that the meeting was being telecast and recorded on Channel 18. Anyone who wished to make a recording of the session must notify the Chair.

Highlight in Education

- Dr. Czajkowski stated that she attended the Mass BioEd Foundation Innovative School of the Year with students Sabrina Doherty and Benjamin Griffin, teachers Beth Anderson, Susan West and Valerie Lahteine, and Principal Patrick Clark a few weeks ago and asked them to speak about the program.
- Ms. Doherty spoke about how her forensics and biotech classes helped her discover what she wanted to do: major in chemical engineering in college. She hopes to use a lot of what she learned at Barnstable High School in the future.
- Mr. Murphy asked what equipment was bought with the grant. The group explained that they were given \$18,000 two years ago. They have a cell electro freezer, buffers and mini PCRS. They use the mini PCRS to train 8th graders and run a lab with them. Ms. Anderson worked really hard for the application and did most of writing.

Approval of the Minutes

- Motion by Ms. Ellis, seconded by Mr. Murphy, and the Committee voted unanimously to approve the minutes of the regular and the District Leadership Council meetings of Monday, April 9, 2015.
- Motion by Ms. Ellis, seconded by Mr. Murphy, and the Committee voted unanimously to approve the minutes of executive sessions held on January 15, 2014; February 26, 2014; April 16, 2014; June 18, 2014; July 21, 2014; August 8, 2014; October 7, 2014; November 17, 2014; December 8, 2014; January 15, 2015; February 4, 2015; March 4, 2015; March 16, 2015; and April 9, 2015.

Report of the Student Envoys

- Mr. Brodd stated the senior prom will be on May 29th with an after prom celebration to keep students safe. He asked the public to help fund the after prom celebration through the Go Fund Me page. Next week will be the last week of school for seniors. The drama club is performing a Mid Summer's Night Dream. The tennis team has six individuals vying for the south sectional individual title.
- Ms. Brodt spoke of the Student Council's blood drive that raised 40 units of blood. The new Student Council Officers have been elected. The National Honor Society is doing a book drive for HYWest. The first annual clothing swap at BHS is underway where you recycle clothes rather than throw them away. The military support club is collecting cell phones.
- Mr. Brodd thanked the School Committee for the past year that he and Ms. Brodt served as Student Envoys and wished Dr. Czajkowski good luck next year.

Public Comment

Jeannie Randall, President of Barnstable's SEPAC, thanked the school administrators and school committee members who attended the Wind Beneath My Wings Awards, which recognizes those who help students receiving special education. There were many nominations and 2 winners: Debra Stevenson, Speech and Language Pathologist at Centerville, and Jen Siliberto, Teacher Assistant and Paraprofessional at HyWest and a Special Olympics Coach. The election for SEPAC Officers was held and Ms. Randall will continue to serve as President and Kathy Bent as Vice President.

School Committee Comments and Sub-Committee/Liaison Reports

- Mr. Joyce attended the dedication of the little league field behind BCHMCPS and the School Committee was mentioned along with Dr. Czajkowski and Dave Kanyock. Mr. Joyce is the liaison to Cape Cod Collaborative and he had a tour of their facilities and is amazed at what they offer and the challenges they have.
- Ms. Weber congratulated the Little League for their new field. It looks awesome and she is happy with whatever assistance the school could provide. She also wanted to let public know about public use of fields. There are meeting to discuss making the policy consistent across all fields. There will be a public discussion at a later date.

Superintendent's Report

- Dr. Czajkowski introduced three new administrators that will be starting in their new positions on July 1, 2015:
 1. Kari Morse will be the new Director of Gateway. Ms. Morse thanked everyone for the opportunity and cannot wait to start.
 2. Nicole Caucci will be the new Principal of the Enoch Cobb Early Learning Center. She has been a special educator for 16 years for kids all ages and abilities. For the last 9 years, she has been at an integrated preschool in Plymouth where she began to do administrative tasks and became the Asst. Director before becoming Interim Preschool Director in Barnstable. She looks forward to continuing to work with the students and staff.
 3. Karen Cloutier is the new BWB Principal. Ms. Cloutier stated that she cannot begin to tell everyone how excited she is to be in Barnstable – it is part of her life plan to be on Cape. She welcomes the challenge and thanked the staff and administrators.
- Dr. Czajkowski stated that she met with the Town Manager and the FY16 budget presentation is on June 4th and the school budget is 2nd on the list. She sent a letter to Town Council thanking them for their support.
- BHS graduation is on June 6th.
- Dr. Czajkowski along with Mr. Butler, Ms. Harmon and Mr. Clark had a conference call with NEASC. The six New England states have concerns with their standards and how overlapping they are with the states' standards. They are piloting with 9 districts and have not completed the work. They will discuss their program with Barnstable in the Fall. Barnstable pointed out the redundancy of what they are asking the schools to do: reports and site visits.
- Dr. Czajkowski stated the 4th episode in the B2BTV Wellness Series is complete and on the BPS website. This episode is about a parent and the family challenges associated with addiction.
- Dr. Czajkowski congratulated Senior Class President Margot Rice for being nominated and receiving the Boston Globe Award for Female Student Athlete.

Assistant Superintendent's Report

- Ms. Harmon stated that the Edwin Teaching and Learning, a DOE component that Barnstable has been using for the last three years as an assessment component, is shutting down. Barnstable was able to retrieve its data and assessments.
- Ms. Harmon stated that she is planning for the summer with the Summer PD Institutes, summer curricular development projects, Jumpstart to Kindergarten, title 1, MTSS course offerings for the district, Barnstable leadership, and new teacher and administrator orientation.

Item #051815-001 Replacement of Athletic Concussion Regulation with Concussion Protocol

Item #051815-002 Replacement of Food Allergy Policy with Severe Allergy Protocol

- Mr. Butler stated that Pam Ciborowski proposed replacing the athletic concussion regulation with a protocol.
- Ms. Ciborowski stated the policy is still accurate, but the concussion piece changes frequently. Protocols have forms that need to be changed often.
- Ms. Weber asked if a policy was needed under the law. Mr. Butler answered yes and it is the same with the food allergy protocol. Both policies have protocols that change often. The policy could be changed in June to include protocols.
- Mr. Murphy asked if the School Committee needed to vote on protocols. Mr. Butler said no, the modification to the policies would allow for changes in protocol. Mr. McDonald stated that he understands why the School Committee does not vote on protocols: leave that to the experts.

- Ms. Weber stated the policy is a guideline for the protocol. The protocol is administrative. This item needs to be on next agenda.

Item #051815-003 Superintendent Search Consulting Services

- Mr. Butler stated that BPS solicited quotes for the Superintendent search and the Cape Cod Collaborative/MASC and NESDEC quotes were received. Mr. Murphy and Mr. Joyce need to recuse themselves due to their positions on the Cape Cod Collaborative and MASC. At this time, the Committee can vote on one of the quotes or the subcommittee can contact the agencies for more information.
- Ms. Weber stated that she was leaning towards the later. Mr. McDonald asked if there was time to put off the vote. Mr. Butler said yes, the School Committee could vote at the June 15 meeting.
- Ms. Weber stated that she would like to hear what questions the Committee has and what additional information is needed and she will contact the agencies.

Item #051815-004 2015-2016 School Committee Meeting Schedule

- Mr. Murphy comments that he wanted to check the MASC schedule to see if there were any conflicts.
- Ms. Weber postponed the vote on the schedule until June's meeting.

Item #051815-005 Superintendent's Goals and Evidence Update

- Dr. Czajkowski stated that she just finished with the new administrator's sessions today. The focus was on collegial support and talking about the hard things.
- Dr. Czajkowski spoke briefly about Ms. Harmon working on DDMs this year and the work and preparation by the leadership team for the District Review.
- Dr. Czajkowski spoke about her tenure in Barnstable for the last four years. She built positive, working relationships with the town, Town Manager, BTA, School Committee, Town Council, legislators, administrators, staff, parents and students. She has had lunch and meetings with students, made house calls to parents, helped market Barnstable Schools and recruited and hired the Assistant Superintendent, Director of Facilities, Athletic Director and Principals.
- Other highlights include the removal of portable trailers, the new ELC, MTSS, and the return of BCHMCPS to a public school. She served as President of M.A.S.S. The collaboration with consolidated Human Resource was a great success.
- Dr. Czajkowski has been blessed with working with good people. She believes she is leaving Barnstable in a better place than when she arrived. She has had a great team working with her.
- The evaluation forms will be sent out this week, return them to Ms. Weber and she will compile the results for the next School Committee meeting.

Item #051815-006 District Review Presentations

- Dr. Czajkowski spoke about the District Review taking place over 4 days with focus groups, interviews and classroom visits focusing on six standards. The greatest strengths were in finance and human resources and the challenges were with district and school goals.
- Curriculum and Instructions strengths included the classroom being conducive to learning and data literacy. Challenges included alignment with assessment and time for PLCs.
- Professional Development strengths included DDMs and the mentoring program. Challenges included supervision and evaluation practices.
- Student Support strengths included having a Director of ELL and the MTSS program. Challenges included the ELLs are emerging and inconsistent across schools.
- Finance and Asset Management was Barnstable's strongest standard. The budget development is exemplary. The school and town work great together. There is transparency and efficiency with consolidation. Challenges included renovations and upgrades needed.
- Mr. Murphy stated the ELL piece is in process. As for the long range plan for buildings, he asked how the School Committee should be involved. Dr. Czajkowski stated taking an inventory of our systems and seeing when they were put in and when they need to be replaced. Mr. Kanyock can put together a plan of what we need.
- Mr. Murphy stated the elementary schools are old and would the community be willing to support needed upgrades.

- Mr. Joyce stated that a lot of work has been put into the schools with the money given by the Town Council. They are clean and bright.
- Mr. Murphy asked if there is a plan for the next 10 years. We need to look at what we need to plan for now for 10 years from now.
- Dr. Czajkowski stated they visited 67 classrooms, which is 4% of classrooms and made a judgment around curriculum and instruction. There was nothing in the report that the administration was shocked about.

Item # 051815-007 Approve Account Payable Warrant FY'15 Warrant #46

Motion by Ms. Ellis, seconded by Mr. Murphy, and the Committee voted unanimously to approve FY2015 Treasury Warrant #46 in the amount of \$181,173.07.

Executive Session

Motion by Ms. Ellis to go into executive session, and the Committee unanimously approved – not to reconvene in public session – to discuss strategy regarding collective bargaining with the BTA. Meeting in an open session may have detrimental effects on the School Committee bargaining position.

Adjourned 8:13 PM

Respectfully Submitted,

Jen Kruczek
Executive Assistant