

The Barnstable School Committee met on Tuesday, September 9, 2014, in the Barnstable Town Hall Hearing Room. Present were Chair Margeaux Weber, Vice-Chair Stephanie Ellis, and Committee members Chris Joyce and Fran McDonald. Also present were Dr. Mary Czajkowski, Kristen Harmon, Bill Butler, Town Council Liaison John Norman and Student Envoy Donnie Brodd. School Committee member Patrick Murphy was not in attendance.

Ms. Weber called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

### **Core Values**

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

### **Introduction**

Ms. Weber introduced Jen Kruczek as the new Secretary to the School Committee.

### **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.

### **Minutes**

Motion by Ms. Ellis, seconded by Mr. McDonald, and the Committee voted unanimously to approve the minutes of Monday, August 18, 2014.

### **Student Envoy**

- Ms. Weber welcomed Donnie Brodd, new Student Envoy, to the meeting and asked if he has anything to report.
- Mr. Brodd reported that the students at the high school were getting acclimated to the school year, sports were back in session and students were excited for Back to School Night on September 29.

### **Public Comment**

- Lorna Murphy, with the group Up With People, invited the community to the group's performance at Barnstable High School on Thursday, September 11, 2014. She explained Up With People's focus on community service, performing concerts and its benefit to the community.
- Tom Leckstrom introduced himself to their Committee as the new representative to Cape Cod Regional Technical High School in Harwich.
- Andrea Wood informed the Committee that she was leaving the Board of the Barnstable Community Horace Mann Charter Public School and Eric Steinhilber is taking her spot as the Chair. Ms. Weber thanked her for her hard work and effort.

### **School Committee/Liaison Reports**

Ms. Weber welcomed all back to work for the new school year. Ms. Weber thanked Dr. Czajkowski for inviting her and Ms. Ellis to speak with the teachers and staff at opening day. Ms. Weber congratulated the Barnstable Little League for winning the state championship and a \$100,000 grant for a field refurbishment.

### **Superintendent's Report**

- On opening day, September 2, 2014, enrollment was approximately 50 students higher than last year. With School Choice, we have more students entering Barnstable Public Schools than leaving.
- Thanked Dave Kanyock and his team for preparing all the schools over the summer.
- This past weekend, Dr. Czajkowski attended the MASS Meeting in Salem. Deb Delisle, Assistant Secretary to the US Department of Education, spoke about 5 points with respect to status of education.
- b2b tv "Superintendent's Corner" will be an informative monthly program featuring interviews.
- Four district priorities for this school year:
  - Continued work with educator evaluation
  - Partnership with NCLD
  - Opening bids for modular is this Friday, September 12, 2014
  - District Review to take place October 14-17, 2014

### **Assistant Superintendent's Report**

- Spent 1<sup>st</sup> day of schools traveling to the school and seeing everyone getting right to work.
- Barnstable High School's 3<sup>rd</sup> Credit for Life Fair will take place on November 21, 2014 for seniors.
- Barnstable Intermediate School restructured their schedule to have a 15 minute block at the end of the day to help students get organized.
- Hyannis West Elementary's Jumpstart program was a success for 40 students entering kindergarten.
- Open house curriculum dates were given for each school.

### **Item # 090914-001 School Attorney Evaluation**

Ms. Weber will summarize evaluation and move to adopt at the next meeting.

### **Item # 090914-002 Superintendent's Goals**

- Dr. Czajkowski presented her revised proposed 2014 – 2015 goals to the Committee.
- Mr. McDonald stated he appreciated speaking with Dr. Czajkowski and thanked her for taking the Committees' comments and feedback into consideration.
- Ms. Ellis stated she appreciated goals focused on community outreach, building leadership team and remaining in the classroom.
- Mr. Joyce commented on the community engagement and marketing of the schools. Educators need to tell their story, market themselves and speak of the good work they do.
- Ms. Weber stated the marketing shows off what we do and how it's good for community. Teachers don't always say what they do well.
- Motion by Ms. Ellis, seconded by Mr. Joyce, and the Committee voted unanimously to approve the Superintendent's goals for 2014-2015.

### **Item # 090914-003 Destination Imagination**

- Karen Murphy submitted a proposal for Destination Imagination as a fee-based extracurricular program.
- Ms. Weber stated the proposal is great, well thought out and doable.
- Ms. Ellis commented that we should not lock in the location of the regional tournament at Dennis-Yarmouth.
- Mr. Joyce commented he is always concerned to create a fee for anything, but appreciated the revised lower fee proposal and appreciated the work.
- Motion by Ms. Ellis, seconded by Mr. McDonald, and the Committee voted unanimously to approve a pilot program for Destination Imagination to become a fee-based extracurricular activity.

### **Item # 090914-004 BCHMCPS Enrollment Policy**

Mr. Butler stated that DESE has asked the school to delay submitting the enrollment policy amendment to the School Committee until DESE revises its checklist.

### **Item # 090914-005 Graduation Requirement Policy**

- Mr. Butler gave background information on the Graduation Requirement Policy in regards to the policy needing to be MassCore compliant, the wellness course credit being a local graduation requirement and the change of schedule was not approved last year.
- Dr. Czajkowski stated we should look at all the requirements to be MassCore compliant. This is an opportunity for the School Committee to look at all graduation requirements.
- Ms. Weber asked Mr. Butler where we are in Policy. Mr. Butler stated last January the School Committee approved to change the Personal Development credit to a credit of Wellness.
- Mr. Clark spoke of the need to focus on grades 9-12 earning 22 high school credits over 4 years with 6 periods daily. How do we phase in MassCore requirement of art, lab sciences, and world languages? There is a need to look at the schedule for the high school going forward (expansion, semesterizing), so the opportunities students have are increased.

- Ms. Weber stated the Committee would vote on this Policy at the next School Committee Meeting. She suggested two School Committee members present recommendations at the next Meeting. Ms. Weber and Mr. McDonald will head the recommendation presentation.

**Item # 090914-006      Student Absence Policy**  
**Item # 090914-007      Student Discipline Policy**  
**Item # 090914-008      Student Complaints Policy**  
**Item # 090914-009      Student Conduct Policy**

- Mr. Butler explained for the four Items listed above there were new student policies for public school districts and new law for disciplinary procedures.
- Ms. Ellis asked for a copy of the old policies for each area stated above. School Committee will need to repeal old policies and vote on the new policies at the next School Committee Meeting.

**Item # 090914-010      Preapproval for the BUES Water Circulation Pump Replacement Project**

- Mr. Kanyock explained the original three pumps are making noises and need to be replaced. The work can be done for the proposed amount.
- Motion by Ms. Ellis, seconded by Mr. McDonald, and the Committee voted unanimously to accept the bid of the lowest responsive and eligible bidder and award a contract for replacement of a hot water circulation pump at Barnstable United Elementary School for a value not to exceed \$75,000, as recommended by the Town Purchasing Agent.

**Item # 090914-011      Approval for the Boiler/Burner Maintenance/On Call Contract for Lamieux Heating, Inc.**

- Mr. Kanyock stated that Barnstable Public Schools have been without a maintenance company for a long time and need reliable service. The current staff does not have the expertise to maintain the equipment.
- Motion by Ms. Ellis, seconded by Mr. McDonald, and the Committee voted unanimously to accept the bid of, and award a contract to, Lamieux Heating, Inc. in the amount of \$14,750 per year for boiler/burner maintenance services and in the amount not to exceed \$50,000 per year, for a total not-to-exceed value of \$150,00 for three years, as recommended by the Town Purchasing Agent.

**Item # 090914-012      Approve Accounts Payable Warrant FY '15 Warrant #9**

- Dr. Czajkowski stated Warrant #9 had been through the Financial Department's checks and balances. Motion by Ms. Ellis, seconded by Mr. McDonald, and the Committee voted unanimously to approve Accounts Payable Warrant #8 in the amount of \$824,245.61.

Meeting Adjourned at 8:12 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jennifer Kruczek  
Executive Assistant