

BANGOR SCHOOL COMMITTEE AGENDA
REGULAR MEETING
7:00 p.m., February 8, 2012
City Hall Council Chambers

Strategic Goals
(AE) Academic Excellence
(PE) Professional Excellence
(QIP) Quality Instructional Program
(ES) Environment for Success

Mission: The Bangor School Department will offer high quality instruction and comprehensive programs to provide academic excellence for all students.

A. Call to Order

1. Welcome
2. Pledge of Allegiance

B. Adjustments to the Agenda

C. Public Comments (*Public participation procedures are listed in the Bangor School Committee brochure.*)

D. Superintendent's Proposals and Updates

1. Action Items - none
2. Informational Items
 - a. Report of Retirements
 - b. LD 1003 Update - ES

E. Business Action Items

1. Action Items
 - a. Minutes
 1. Regular Meeting of January 25, 2012
 - b. Personnel – PE
 1. Extra-Duty Assignment

F. Committee Updates

1. Comments and Questions from the Committee
2. Representatives' Reports - ES
 - a. Dropout Prevention
 - b. Friends of Cameron Stadium
 - c. Safe and Drug-Free Schools Committee
 - d. Southern Penobscot Regional Program for Children With Exceptionalities
 - e. United Technology Center
 - f. Other

G. Reports - none

H. Information Items

1. Important Dates:
February 29, 2012 Regular School Committee Meeting - 7 p.m. Council Chambers
March 14, 2012 Regular School Committee Meeting - 7 p.m. Council Chambers

I. Questions and Comments from the Committee

J. Executive Session

Executive Session for the purpose of consultation with the school attorney concerning the legal rights and duties of the School Committee. 1 M.R.S.A. Subsection 405(6)(F)

K. Adjournment

SYNOPSIS OF AGENDA ITEMS

REGULAR MEETING OF Wednesday, February 8, 2012

- D. 2. a. I am reporting several retirements.
- b. Director of Pupil Services Patti Rapaport and I attended a meeting between DHHS and the Department of Education officials regarding Medicaid reimbursement to school systems and the proposed concept bill LD 1003 to recreate school based systems. I will provide you with an update of the status of this issue.
- E. 1. a. I am recommending approval of the draft Minutes of the January 25, 2012 Regular School Committee Meeting.
- b. I am recommending approval of an extra duty assignment for the 2011-2012 school year.
- J. Motion: To go into Executive Session for the purpose of consultation with the school attorney concerning the legal rights and duties of the School Committee pursuant to 1 M.R.S.A. Subsection 405(6)(F).

D R A F T
MINUTES

BANGOR SCHOOL COMMITTEE
REGULAR MEETING
7:00 p.m., Wednesday, January 25, 2012

School Committee Members present: Chairman Phyllis Guerette, Kate Dickerson, Nichi Farnham, Beth Grant, and Christine Szal. Vice Chairman Warren Caruso and Committee Member Jay Ye were unable to attend.

A. 1.&2. The Bangor School Committee Regular Meeting was called to order by Chairman Guerette at 7:01 p.m. and the Pledge of Allegiance followed.

D 1. a. Superintendent Betsy Webb recommended approval of five new courses at Bangor High School beginning in the Fall of 2012. Principal Paul Butler reviewed each of the courses and the proposed instructors.

School Committee Members asked questions about the proposed courses.

VOTED 5-0 to approve the proposed courses.

2. a. Superintendent Webb introduced Assistant Superintendent Donna Wolfrom who gave an overview of the role of the Literacy Coaches. Teachers Shelley Morin, Kristi Charette, Kristy McClure, and Shana Curtis presented a PowerPoint, which included video clips and highlights of their work. Teacher Cathy Hanscom also spoke about the strength of the Literacy Coach model.

School Committee Members offered many supportive comments of the work and sharing of knowledge from coach to teacher and school to school.

E. 1. a. 1. VOTED 5-0 to approve the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of January 11, 2012

b. 1. Superintendent Webb recommended approval of the December 2011 Financial Statement.

VOTED 5-0 to approve the December 2011 Financial Statement as presented.

c. Superintendent Webb recommended acceptance of the following donation:

To James F. Doughty School from Billie-Jean Niedorowski, a cash donation, having a total dollar value of \$250.

VOTED 5-0 to accept the donation with gratitude.

d. 1. Superintendent Webb recommended approval of the Second Reading of Policy ICA – 2012-2013 School Calendar.

VOTED 5-0 to approve Policy ICA 2012-2013 School Calendar.

F. 1. Committee Member Dickerson expressed her support of having the School Committee join Councilor Ben Sprague's proposed resolution regarding the proposed MaineCare cuts and the impact on the City of Bangor.

Superintendent Webb recommended that considering her role as the Superintendent and her job responsibility of providing information to the School Committee so that they may make informed decisions, she would like to see the text of the resolve and research the intent and possible ramifications.

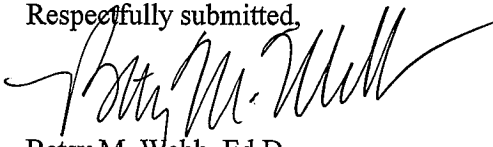
Chairman Guerette shared that the School Committee and the City Council had a productive workshop to discuss general issues regarding the FY13 budget.

2. d. Committee Member Grant reported that the Southern Penobscot Regional Program for Children with Exceptionalities (SPRPCE) Board had a meeting recently. Phyllis Guerette was re-elected as the Chair of the SPRPCE Board. Committee Member Grant also discussed the structural changes to the SPRPCE Board, the upcoming budget process, the regional professional development sessions, and the letter to Maine's congressional delegates expressing support for the 40% federal commitment to funding of special education.
- H. Chairman Guerette reviewed the important dates.
- I. School Committee Member Farnham reported that the Bangor High School Varsity Hockey team just won their game 4-0.
- J. By roll call vote (5-0) the Committee voted to enter Executive Session at 8:13 p.m. for the purpose of discussion regarding collective bargaining with the Teachers' Bargaining Unit according to 1 M.R.S.A. Subsection 405 (6)(D).

The Committee returned to Public Session at 9:10 p.m.

The meeting adjourned at 9:11 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Betsy M. Webb, Ed.D.
Superintendent of Schools