

## MINUTES

### BANGOR SCHOOL COMMITTEE REGULAR MEETING

7:00 p.m., Wednesday, September 27, 2023

School Committee Members Present: Chair Marwa Hassanien, Vice Chair Timothy Surette, Sara Luciano, and Imke Schessler-Jandreau, Clare Mundell, Ben Sprague and Susan Sorg

A. 1. & 2. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Chair Marwa Hassanien and the pledge of allegiance followed.

B. Adjustments to the Agenda:

No adjustments to the agenda

C. Public Comments:

Michael Norton spoke about events that have happened on August 26 of various years past as well as his desire to implement a media reform day in the future.

Doug Dunbar works with Penobscot County cares, he spoke regarding expanding the Narcan Training in Bangor to help combat the overdose crisis.

D. 1. a. VOTED 7-0 to approve acceptance of the proposed Altria settlement.

b. VOTED 7-0 to approve Ben Sprague as the delegate for the MSBA Annual Delegate Assembly.

D. 2. a. Bangor Grade 4-12 Principals updated the Committee on Positive Behavioral Interventions and Supports (PBIS) for grades 4-12.

b. Superintendent Tager reported the following teacher reassignments for the 2023-2024 school year:

Rebecca Tower from Social Worker at (.5) James F. Doughty School and (.5) Fairmount School to Special Education Teacher (Resource Room) at Bangor High School.

Lindsay Chadbourne from Social Worker at Abraham Lincoln and 14<sup>th</sup> Street Schools to Social Worker at Abraham Lincoln and Fruit Street Schools.

c. Superintendent Tager reported the following resignations:

Erica Swift	Special Education Teacher	Downeast School
Dawn Beswick	Special Education Teacher	James F. Doughty School

E. 1. a. 1. VOTED 7-0 to approve the Minutes of the September 13, 2023 Regular School Committee Meeting.

b. 1. VOTED 7-0 to approve the unaudited June 2023 Financial Report.

- c. 1.a. VOTED 7-0 to approve the following extra-duty assignments for school year 2023-2024:

Kaitlin Dolloff	Sophomore Class Advisor	Bangor High School
Justin Jacques	Sophomore Class Advisor	Bangor High School
Dan Considine	(.3) IEP Coordinator	Bangor High School
Thomas Leonard	(.5) IEP Coordinator	Bangor High School
David Johnson	(.25) IEP Coordinator	Fairmount School
Joni Buck	(1.75) IEP Coordinator	Fairmount School
Abigail Lawrence	(.5) Dramatics Advisor	James F. Doughty School
Nellie Kelly (1 <sup>st</sup> yr)	(.5) Dramatics Advisor	James F. Doughty School

- d. Committee Member Ben Sprague shared the following donations:

To Downeast School from GE, school supplies and backpacks, having a total dollar value of \$200.

To Downeast School from the Charleston Church, backpacks, having a total dollar value of \$200.

To Downeast School from Northern Light, classroom snacks, having a total dollar value of \$200.

To Fruit Street School from Christy Perkins, backpacks, having a total dollar value of \$300.

To Vine Street School from Katie Howell and Northern Light, classroom snacks, having a total dollar value of \$125.

To Vine Street School from Anonymous, school supplies and backpacks, having a total dollar value of \$320.

To Abraham Lincoln School from Donald Sawyer, a cash donation for the school garden, having a total dollar value of \$2,500.

To James F. Doughty School from RC Management, McDonald’s coupons for staff members, having a total dollar value of \$250.

To William S. Cohen School from RC Management, McDonald’s coupons for staff members, having a total dollar value of \$100.

VOTED 7-0 to approve all donations.

- F. 1. Member Tim Surette spoke about teacher resignations, specifically special education teachers. Superintendent Tager will be offering exit interviews going forward.

Member Sara Luciano offered teacher data that she has collected over multiple years to Member Surette.

Chair Hassanien asked for information about how the schools are managing with the special education vacancies.

Member Clare Mundell requested additional information from Doug Dunbar.

Member Sara Luciano thanked Principal Fournier and Fruit St PTO for the recent Fall Fair.

- F. 3. Member Sorg updated the Committee on the start of the year at UTC.
- H. 1. Important dates were reviewed by Chair Marwa Hassanien.
- I. Member Imke Schessler-Jandreau thanked the Principals for the PBIS presentation as well as for their work in providing coverage for the current vacancies.
- J. VOTED 7-0 to adjourn the meeting at 7:55 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,



James R. Tager  
Superintendent of Schools