

**REGULAR BOARD MEETING
SEPTEMBER 22, 2008**

The Bangor Area School Board met for a Regular Board Meeting in the Slater Conference Room on Monday, September 22, 2008. The meeting was called to order at 7:40 p.m. by Board President, Joseph Boyle.

ROLL CALL

Board Secretary, Stephen G. Wiencek, called the roll and recorded the following board members in attendance:

Michael Baird	Arrived 8:30 p.m.	Michael Goffredo	Present
Robert Blake	Present	Kevin Pruett	Present
Steve Bussenger	Present	Albert Ronca	Present
Bruce Cameron	Absent	Joseph Boyle	Present
Pamela Colton	Present		

Everyone joined in saying the Pledge of Allegiance.

ADMINISTRATION

Mr. Reinhart, Ms. Mulroy, Mr. DeFelice, Mrs. Kocher, Mrs. Walker, Mr. Borden, Mrs. Bustos, Mr. Lucrezi, Mr. Farnan, Mr. Vlasaty, Mrs. Davis, Mr. Newman, Mrs. Kaminski, Mr. Hendershot, Mrs. Murray, Mrs. Awigena and Mr. Wiencek represented the Administration.

STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE

Asher Schiavone was present.

SOLICITOR

Jessica Moyer was present.

BANGOR AREA EDUCATIONAL ASSOCIATION

Mr. Olson and Mr. Connelly were present.

BANGOR AREA EDUCATIONAL SUPPORT PERSONNEL ASSOCIATION

Mr. Layton and Mrs. Rabbat were present.

PUBLIC

No one was present.

PRESS

The Express-Times – Doug Brill was present.

The Morning Call – No one was present.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of School Directors of the Bangor Area School District approve the Agenda as an order of business:

Mrs. Colton moved the motion and Mr. Goffredo seconded the motion.

All members present voted in favor and the motion carried. (7 Yes, 0 No)

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APPROVAL OF MINUTES

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of School Directors of the Bangor Area School District approve the Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of August 25, 2008 and Work Session of September 15, 2008.

Mrs. Colton moved the motion and Mr. Ronca seconded the motion.

All members present voted in favor and the motion carried. (7 Yes, 0 No)

PAYMENT OF BILLS

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of School Directors of the Bangor Area School District approve the Payment of Bills in the amount of \$4,993,311.05.

Mrs. Colton moved the motion and Mr. Pruett seconded the motion.

Mr. Blake expressed his concerns with the amount of the Colonial League dues. Mr. Blake asked if the description on check #48337 to Shamokin School District was a typing error since it does not total properly.

Mr. Wiencek stated he will look at the check and inform Mr. Blake of the results.

All members present voted in favor and the motion carried. (7 Yes, 0 No)

TREASURER'S REPORT

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of School Directors of the Bangor Area School District approve the Treasurer's Report for the period ending August 2008.

Mr. Pruett moved the motion and Mr. Blake seconded the motion.

All members present voted in favor and the motion carried. (7 Yes, 0 No)

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Mr. Blake reported that there was an executive session held to discuss personnel.

SUPERINTENDENT'S INFORMATION REPORT

Mr. Reinhart stated he has the information for the National School Board Association Convention to be held April, 2009 in San Diego, CA. Mr. Reinhart stated he would like to have the reservation made soon if anyone is planning on attending.

Mr. Reinhart stated he gave the board members a list of committee assignments and would like to know if there are any revisions or changes.

Mr. Reinhart stated the Pennsylvania School Board Association Convention is in October, 2008 and he would like to know if any members wish to join him and Mr. & Mrs. Ronca for the PNC bank dinner.

Mr. Reinhart stated he was concerned because only four students were signed up for the free vision screening offered by the Slater Family Network & Community Schools. Mr. Reinhart stated he delivered an Alert Now message to the parents in hopes of getting more students to sign up for the program.

Mr. Farnan and Mr. Reinhart asked for input from board members on the use of facilities and charges to the organizations. The board members directed administration to charge any organization that collects money for the events being held in the schools. The board concluded to charge the Bangor Jr. Slaters Wrestling organization for custodial and security services only.

STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE

Mr. Schiavone stated the school is very excited with the success of the football team.

Mr. Schiavone stated the students are upset that the fourth lunch is running out of food on a daily basis including milk on one given day.

ACTION AGENDA

STUDENT BOARD REPRESENTATIVE

08-09-C-01

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of School Directors of the Bangor Area School District appoint Asher Schiavone as the Board's student representative for the 2008-2009 school year.

Mrs. Colton moved the motion and Mr. Blake seconded the motion.

All members present voted in favor and the motion carried. (7 Yes, 0 No)

ACCESS COORDINATOR/SPECIAL EDUCATION SECRETARY

08-09-P-02

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Directors of the Bangor Area School District create the position of ACCESS Coordinator/Special Education Secretary in accordance with the terms and conditions of the support staff contract and with the attached job description.

Mrs. Colton moved the motion and Mr. Blake seconded the motion.

All members present voted in favor and the motion carried. (7 Yes, 0 No)

STAFF RESIGNATIONS

08-09-P/NP-03

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of School Directors of the Bangor Area School District approve the following staff resignations:

1. Susan Williams as mentor for Lauren Procopio for the 2008-2009 school year, effective immediately;
2. Lauren Madson, part-time school psychologist, effective immediately;
3. Dorothy Moyer, instructional aide, effective immediately;
4. Jeff Buist, sixth grade level coordinator.

Mr. Blake moved the motion and Mr. Pruettt seconded the motion.

All members present voted in favor and the motion carried. (7 Yes, 0 No)

STAFF APPOINTMENTS

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BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of School Directors of the Bangor Area School District approve the following staff appointments:

1. Promote Trudy Murray, LTS ESL instructor to TPE ESL instructor, at Step 10 of the Master's +45 scale, \$57,535, effective with the 2008-2009 school year;
2. Kara Derry, gifted instructor at Bangor Area High School, at Step 2 of the B+30 scale, \$43,499, effective with the 2008-2009 school year; (replaces M Geffers)
3. Mary Kelly, 2.25 hours per day cafeteria worker for the breakfast program at Bangor Area High School, at the contracted rate of \$13.42 per hour, effective immediately;
4. Promote Susan Buila from 3.5 hours per day cafeteria worker at Bangor Area High School, to 4.75 hours per day cafeteria worker at Bangor Area High School, at the contracted rate of \$13.42 per hour, effective immediately;
5. Annette Tolino, Project Success assistant, 45 extended hours at \$13 per hour, effective August 1, 2008 and ending September 30, 2008;
6. Promote Rachel Andes from LTS elementary teacher at Washington Elementary to TPE elementary teacher at Washington Elementary, step 1 of the Bachelor's scale, \$37,958, effective with the 2008-2009 school year; (A Ronco transfer)
7. Promote Tara Yeakel from LTS elementary teacher at Five Points Elementary to TPE elementary teacher at Five Points Elementary, step 1 of the Bachelor's scale, \$37,958, effective with the 2008-2009 school year; (J Buist transfer)
8. Promote Robert Newell from LTS language arts instructor at Bangor Area Middle School to TPE language arts instructor at Bangor Area Middle School, step 1 of the Bachelor's +15 scale, \$38,963, effective with the 2008-2009 school year; (S Pyne transfer)
9. Promote Anita Zeiber from 3.25 hours per day cafeteria worker at Bangor Area High School to 3.5 hours per day cafeteria worker at Bangor Area High School, at the contracted rate of \$13.42 per hour, effective with the 2008-2009 school year;
10. Annette Tolino and Cindi Wellerson, Project Success 21st Century Grant assistants, 3.5 hours per day, four days per week, at \$13.00 per hour, effective September 15, 2008 through May 7, 2009;
11. Nathalie Samuels, part-time personal aide, 5 hours per day, at the contracted rate of \$14.35 per hour, effective September 16, 2008;
12. Kelly McKeen, speech and language support teacher, Step 1 of the Bachelor's scale, \$37,958, effective upon release from her current employer;
13. Denise Paraschos, part-time instructional aide, 5 hours per day at the contracted rate of \$18.35 per hour, effective September 16, 2008;
14. Kimberly Wolfe, instructional aide/latchkey aide, 5 hours per day at the contracted rate of \$18.35 per hour, effective September 16, 2008;
15. Tighe Lane, security officer, at the contracted rate of \$11.61 per hour, effective upon receipt of his clearances;
16. Theodore Arnhold, TPE science teacher at Bangor Area High School, step 1 of the Bachelor's scale, \$37,958, effective September 23, 2008. (replaces D Wilkins)

Mr. Blake moved the motion and Mr. Pruettt seconded the motion.

All members present voted in favor and the motion carried. (7 Yes, 0 No)

**MENTOR TEACHERS
08-09-P-05**

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BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of School Directors of the Bangor Area School District approve the following mentors, at the contracted rate of \$475, for the 2008-2009 school year:

Hollie Schooley for Tara Zeiler
Lori Poliskiewicz for Amber Walters
David Moyer for Michael Cohen
Lee Harris for Nolan Gerencser
Sandy Gruppo for Johannes Sybrandy
John Sites for Thomas Fish
Lindsay Cancelliere for Jennifer DiTondo
Lydia Menio for Samantha Baas
Jo Devlin for Michael Sylvester
Hollie Schooley for Rachel Ring
Leslie Greffe for Trudy Murray
Deborah Lyon for Jessica Englert
Hollie Schooley for Danielle Bassi
Cathy Horne for Lauren Procopio
Lisa Tiwold for Amanda Albert
Jean Edgar for Ashley Hoffman
Rosalind Evans for Jennifer LaBranche
Denise Krouse for Christina Luey
Pamela Nelson for Lucy McLeod
Julia Boyer for Robert Newell
Edward Johnson for Lisa Kelton
Ted Jordan for Linda Farino
Hollie School for Cathy Hodges
Roberta Renaldo for Dana Mariano
Molly Pyne for Matthew Wehr
Michael Vidumsky for Tom DiRenzo

Mrs. Colton moved the motion and Mr. Pruett seconded the motion.

All members present voted in favor and the motion carried. (7 Yes, 0 No)

TITLE CHANGE

08-09-B-06

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of School Directors of the Bangor Area School District approve a title change and modifications to the job description of the district's reading supervisor, as attached.

Mrs. Colton moved the motion and Mr. Blake seconded the motion.

All members present voted in favor and the motion carried. (7 Yes, 0 No)

HOMEBOUND/TUTORIAL INSTRUCTION

08-09-C-07

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BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of School Directors of the Bangor Area School District approve the request for homebound/tutorial instruction for student #207285.

Mrs. Colton moved the motion and Mr. Blake seconded the motion.

All members present voted in favor and the motion carried. (7 Yes, 0 No)

MENTOR PAYMENT

08-09-B-08

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of School Directors of the Bangor Area School District approve payment of \$450 each to the following mentors:

Jo Devlin for Jessica Warren
Roberta Renaldo for Tina Keenan
Karen Prosser for Chris Derhammer

Mr. Pruett moved the motion and Mrs. Colton seconded the motion.

All members present voted in favor and the motion carried. (7 Yes, 0 No)

CONFERENCES & FIELD TRIPS

08-09-C-09

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of School Directors of the Bangor Area School District approve the attached lists of field trips and conferences.

Mrs. Colton moved the motion and Mr. Blake seconded the motion.

All members present voted and the motion carried. (6 Yes, 1 No) Mr. Pruett voted against the motion.

FMLA STATUS

08-09-P/NP-10

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of School Directors of the Bangor Area School District approve the attached list of employees on FMLA status.

Mrs. Colton moved the motion and Mr. Ronca seconded the motion.

All members present voted in favor and the motion carried. (7 Yes, 0 No)

POLICIES - SECOND READING

08-09-B-11

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of School Directors of the Bangor Area School District approve the attached policies for second reading:

005 Organization
006 Meetings
007 Distribution
008 Organization Chart
011 Board Governance Standards/Code of Conduct
217 Graduation Requirements
302 Employment of Superintendent/Assistant Superintendent
802 School Organization

Mr. Blake moved the motion and Mrs. Colton seconded the motion.

All members present voted in favor and the motion carried. (7 Yes, 0 No)

SUBSTITUTE LISTS

08-09-P/NP-12

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of School Directors of the Bangor Area School District approve the attached lists of district substitutes.

Mr. Goffredo moved the motion and Mr. Blake seconded the motion.

All members present voted in favor and the motion carried. (7 Yes, 0 No)

**PLANCON K - PROJECT FINANCING FOR THE GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS,
SERIES OF 2003, (LEASE NUMBER 033201)**

08-09-B-13

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of School Directors of the Bangor Area School District acknowledge receipt of Plancon Part K - Project Refinancing for Series B of 2007 General Obligation Bonds, establishing a temporary reimbursable percentage for the repayment of the bond issue until the final reimbursable percentage is determined.

Mr. Blake moved the motion and Mr. Pruett seconded the motion.

All members present voted in favor and the motion carried. (7 Yes, 0 No)

VOLUNTEER FOOTBALL COACH

08-09-C-14

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of School Directors of the Bangor Area School District approve Gerry Bubba as a volunteer with the football program for the 2008-2009 season.

Mr. Blake moved the motion and Mrs. Colton seconded the motion.

All members present voted in favor and the motion carried. (7 Yes, 0 No)

FALL SPORTS WORKERS

08-09-P/NP-15

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of School Directors of the Bangor Area School District approve the attached list of fall sports workers.

Mr. Blake moved the motion and Mr. Goffredo seconded the motion.

All members present voted in favor and the motion carried. (7 Yes, 0 No)

POLICIES - FIRST READING

08-09-B-16

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of School Directors of the Bangor Area School District approve the attached policies for first reading:

- 112 Guidance Counseling
- 113 Special Education
- 218.2 Corporal Punishment
- 235 Student Rights
- 916 Volunteers

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Mr. Blake moved the motion and Mr. Pruett seconded the motion.

All members present voted in favor and the motion carried. (7 Yes, 0 No)

BUDGETARY TRANSFERS

08-09-B-17

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of School Directors of the Bangor Area School District ratify the attached listing of budgetary transfers made to reallocate funds for the 2007-2008 school year as authorized on June 30, 2008.

Mrs. Colton moved the motion and Mr. Blake seconded the motion.

All members present voted in favor and the motion carried. (7 Yes, 0 No)

**SLATE BELT COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS (SBCOG)
ARTICLES OF AGREEMENT CHANGES**

08-09-B-18

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of School Directors of the Bangor Area School District approve the recommended amendments and changes to the Articles of Agreement for the Slate Belt Council of Governments, including the suggested change by Attorney Gary Neil Asteak, enabling the SBCOG to obtain 501©(3) nonprofit status.

Mr. Pruett moved the motion and Mrs. Colton seconded the motion.

Mr. Blake expressed his dissatisfaction with the special deal that was given to Washington Township.

Mr. Goffredo asked why they were given the special deal.

Mr. Pruett stated they were given the reduced rate without voting power to keep them as part of the COG.

All members present voted in favor and the motion carried. (7 Yes, 0 No)

BUSINESS MANAGER'S 2008-2009 SALARY

08-09-P-19

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of School Directors of the Bangor Area School District set the salary of the district's business manager at \$99,083.50 for the 2008-2009 school year.

Mrs. Colton moved the motion and Mr. Blake seconded the motion.

Mrs. Colton stated this rate does not even put the salary in the top half of business managers in the Colonial IU 20.

All members present voted in favor and the motion carried. (7 Yes, 0 No)

EXTRA-CURRICULAR APPOINTMENTS

08-09-P/NP-20

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of School Directors of the Bangor Area School District approve the following extra-curricular appointments:

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1. Bradley Madden, High School Newspaper Advisor, at the contracted rate of \$2,170, effective with the 2008-2009 school year;
2. Stephan Panczer, Sophomore Class Advisor, at the contracted rate of \$1,550, effective with the 2008-2009 school year;
3. David Moyer, Teacher Apprentice Program Advisor, at the contracted rate of \$1,085, effective with the 2008-2009 school year;
4. Tracy Finkbeiner, L Team Leader at Bangor Area Middle School, at the contracted rate of \$2,480, effective for the 2008-2009 school year;
5. Molly Pyne, E Team Leader at Bangor Area Middle School, at the contracted rate of \$2,480, effective for the 2008-2009 school year;
6. Toni Bush, S Team Leader at Bangor Area Middle School, at the contracted rate of \$2,720, effective for the 2008-2009 school year;
7. Sandi Miller, A Team Leader at Bangor Area Middle School, at the contracted rate of \$2,880, effective for the 2008-2009 school year;
8. Alan Byerley, T Team Leader at Bangor Area Middle School, at the contracted rate of \$2,600, effective for the 2008-2009 school year;
9. Edward Johnson, R Team Leader at Bangor Area Middle School, at the contracted rate of \$2,720, effective for the 2008-2009 school year;
10. Michael Kreider, Innovator Leader at Bangor Area Middle School, at the contracted rate of \$2,720, effective for the 2008-2009 school year;
11. Michael Sylvester, DeFranco Elementary Student Government Advisor, at the contracted rate of \$2,015, effective with the 2008-2009 school year;
12. Julia Boyer, Middle School Literary Magazine Advisor, at the contracted rate of \$1,705, effective with the 2008-2009 school year;
13. Molly Pyne, Middle School Newspaper Advisor, at the contracted rate of \$1,240, effective with the 2008-2009 school year;
14. Richard Thompson, Head Varsity Wrestling Coach, at the contracted rate of \$6,820, effective immediately;
15. Andrew Krohn, Fall Strength and Conditioning Coach, at the contracted rate of \$2,325, effective with the 2008-2009 school year.

Mrs. Colton moved the motion and Mr. Pruett seconded the motion.

All members present voted in favor and the motion carried. (7 Yes, 0 No)

SPEECH AND HEARING SERVICES

08-09-B-21

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of School Directors of the Bangor Area School District approve the purchase of the independent speech and hearing services from the following certified individuals effective immediately:

Mary Tafel	\$70 per hour
Lynn MacLeod	\$60 per hour

Mr. Pruett moved the motion and Mrs. Colton seconded the motion.

All members present voted in favor and the motion carried. (7 Yes, 0 No)

EXTENDED HOURS

08-09-NP-22

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of School Directors of the Bangor Area School District extend the hours of one part-time, personal aide position from five hours to full-time status, 7.5 hours per day due to the confidential needs of student #205584. The need for the full-time aide position is based solely on the terms of the current I.E.P.

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Mrs. Colton moved the motion and Mr. Pruett seconded the motion.

All members present voted in favor and the motion carried. (7 Yes, 0 No)

DISTRICT/TITLE I PRORATIONS

08-09-B-23

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of School Directors of the Bangor Area School District approve the attached District/Title I prorations for the 2008-2009 school year.

Mrs. Colton moved the motion and Mr. Blake seconded the motion.

Mr. Wiencek stated the first employee should be listed at 70% Title I funds and 30% district funds.

All members present voted in favor and the motion carried. (7 Yes, 0 No)

Dr. Baird arrived.

ACT 93 APPOINTMENT

08-09-P-24

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of School Directors of the Bangor Area School District appoint Gary Popick as school psychologist at a salary of \$52,000, prorated, with benefits through Act 93, effective for a period of 90 days.

Mrs. Colton moved the motion and Mr. Blake seconded the motion.

All members present voted in favor and the motion carried. (8 Yes, 0 No)

ALL HAZARD-PANDEMIC INFLUENZA CONTINGENCY PLAN

08-09-B-25

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of School Directors of the Bangor Area School District approve and adopt the Bangor Area School District All Hazard - Pandemic Influenza Contingency Plan, as attached, for use in maintaining readiness for such emergencies in the district.

Mrs. Colton moved the motion and Mr. Ronca seconded the motion.

All members present voted in favor and the motion carried. (8 Yes, 0 No)

OCTOBER 14, 2008 - NON-INSTRUCTION DAY

08-09-B-26

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of School Directors of the Bangor Area School District, in accordance with the recently ratified teacher contract, approve October 14, 2008, as a non-instruction day for students and a staff development day for the district's instructional staff.

Mrs. Colton moved the motion and Mr. Pruett seconded the motion.

All members present voted in favor and the motion carried. (8 Yes, 0 No)

NIMS

08-09-B-27

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of School Directors of the Bangor Area School District approves the adoption of NIMS language and procedures as part of local, state, and federal governments efforts to provide a standardized, comprehensive and consistent approach to emergency management activities.

Mrs. Colton moved the motion and Mr. Blake seconded the motion.

Mr. Reinhart stated this motion was recommended by Mr. Falcone.

All members present voted in favor and the motion carried. (8 Yes, 0 No)

PROJECT SUCCESS DIRECTOR'S 2008-2009 SALARY

08-09-B-28

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of School Directors of the Bangor Area School District approve a 4.5% increase in compensation to Sherry Clifford, Project Success Director, setting her current salary at \$38,665 for the 2008-2009 year (ending September 1, 2009).

Mr. Pruett moved the motion and Mrs. Colton seconded the motion.

All members present voted in favor and the motion carried. (8 Yes, 0 No)

SOLICITOR'S REPORT

Ms. Moyer presented the board members with a resolution to begin the preliminary work for pursuing the 2008 bond issue.

Mr. Boyle excused himself temporarily.

OPEN AGENDA

Mr. Blake made a motion to open the agenda and Mr. Pruett seconded the motion.

All members present voted in favor and the motion carried. (7 Yes, 0 No)

Mr. Boyle returned.

2008 FINANCING PROJECTS PRELIMINARY RESOLUTION

08-09-B-29

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of School Directors of the Bangor Area School District approve the 2008 Financing Projects Preliminary Resolution.

Mr. Blake moved the motion and Mrs. Colton seconded the motion.

Mr. Pruett asked what will be the amount of the bond issue.

Mr. Wiencek stated that will be determined after the bids are received.

Mr. Goffredo asked why this preliminary financing needed to be done.

Mr. Wiencek stated the financing needs to be approved prior to awarding the bids.

Mrs. Colton asked if the high school project can continue without approval of this resolution.

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Mr. Wiencek stated it cannot continue until this resolution is approved.

All members present voted and the motion carried. (7 Yes, 1 No) Mr. Goffredo voted against the motion.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

COLONIAL INTERMEDIATE UNIT #20

Mrs. Colton reported the board will be meeting on Wednesday, September 24, 2008.

CAREER INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY (CIT)

No report.

POLICY COMMITTEE

Mr. Blake reported the next meeting will be held the middle of October, 2008.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

Mr. Reinhart stated the Portland Industrial Park project is in the final stages.

SAFETY COMMITTEE

No report.

BANGOR AREA EDUCATION FOUNDATION

Mr. Reinhart stated the investments are taking a hit with the current market conditions.

NORTHAMPTON COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE

No report.

FINANCE COMMITTEE

No report.

PROPOSED/POSSIBLE NEW CONSTRUCTION

Mr. Blake stated the final provisions will be ready in the next 4 to 6 weeks.

COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENT (COG)

No report.

OLD BUSINESS

Mr. Connelly reviewed the request for the select choir to participate in the Boston Music Festival. Mr. Connelly stated this choir is a community service group of 17 students and they will be judged by a national organization. Mr. Connelly stated that currently it would be himself and Mrs. Connelly as chaperones but he could get an additional chaperone if necessary.

Mr. Reinhart asked if attendance to the festival is mandatory.

Mr. Connelly stated that was the intention when the student auditions for the group. Mr. Connelly stated there will be ample opportunities for fund raising and no student will be left behind because of financial needs.

Mr. Blake asked who will be in charge of security.

Mr. Connelly stated security is part of the package from the touring group.

Mr. Pruettt asked if the administration was proceeding with the hiring of a fourth high school guidance counselor.

Mr. Reinhart stated they will be hiring a fourth counselor.

Mr. Pruettt stated that the preschool scholarships will be the only program for preschool children.

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Mr. Reinhart stated the administration is looking at other ideas for the preschool program.

Mr. Pruettt asked if a guidance counselor was hired under the Project 720 grant.

Ms. Mulroy stated the district was unsuccessful in hiring a counselor under Project 720 because the grant is not renewable after this year.

Mr. Goffredo asked if the program for the PACT funding was submitted and accepted.

Ms. Mulroy stated the programs have been approved by the State Board of Education.

Mr. Goffredo asked if the administration was successful in combining existing programs under the PACT funding.

Ms. Mulroy stated the funding had to be used for new programs.

Ms. Mulroy stated the funding will be used for the READ 180 program which will assist 60 students in the 11th grade at a cost of \$60,000, an Academic Reading and Math program and the academic coaches.

Mr. Blake asked if the board will be receiving a report on the ACCESS program.

Ms. Mulroy stated the board will receive a copy of the monthly report.

Mr. Goffredo stated he met with Mr. Blake and Mr. Stonehouse to discuss the campus wide domestic water system. Mr. Goffredo stated the district may want to consider hiring a Water Quality Supervisor to address the problems with the water system and could possibly assume the duties at the sewer plant.

Mr. Goffredo stated there is infiltration of ground water into the sewage system around DeFranco Elementary School which is causing the system to overflow during rainstorms..

Mr. Blake stated this could possibly be resolved by installing linings in the pipes.

NEW BUSINESS

None

PUBLIC COMMENT

Mrs. Rabbat stated Upper Mt. Bethel Township is concerned who will be the watch dog for the COG under the new by-laws.

Mr. Pruettt stated the representative from Upper Mt. Bethel Township should bring the townships concern to the next COG meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

The motion to adjourn was made by Mr. Blake and Mr. Goffredo seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned at 9:45 p.m.

All members present voted in favor and the motion carried. (8 Yes, 0 No)

An audio recording of this meeting is available for review.

Respectfully submitted,

Stephen G. Wiencek
Board Secretary