

**REGULAR BOARD MEETING  
OCTOBER 22, 2007**

The Bangor Area School Board met for a Regular Board Meeting in the Slater Conference Room on Monday, October 22, 2007. The meeting was called to order at 8:02 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	Present	Kevin Pruett	Absent
Robert Blake	Present	Albert Ronca	Present
Bruce Cameron	Present	Olav Sandnes	Present
Charles Cole	Present	Joseph Boyle	Present
Pamela Colton	Present		

Everyone joined in saying the Pledge of Allegiance.

ADMINISTRATION

Mr. Reinhart, Ms. Mulroy, Mr. DeFelice, Mr. Gunnels, Mrs. Walker, Mrs. Bustos, Mrs. Kaminski, Mr. Lucrezi, Mr. Kondisko, Mr. Holmes, Mr. Tripler, Mr. Farnan, Mrs. Jacobi, Mrs. Kocher, Mrs. Murray, Mrs. Awigena and Mr. Wiencek represented the Administration.

STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE

Carly Boos was present.

SOLICITOR

Don Spry was present.

BANGOR AREA EDUCATIONAL ASSOCIATION

Ms. Ronco was present.

BANGOR AREA EDUCATIONAL SUPPORT PERSONNEL ASSOCIATION

Mr. Hoescht was present.

PUBLIC

Two people from the public were present.

PRESS

The Express-Times – No one was present.

The Morning Call – Erin Tucker 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:

Dr. Baird moved the motion and Mr. Cole seconded the motion.

All members present voted in favor and the motion carried. (8 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 September 24, 2007 and the Work Session of October 15, 2007.

Mr. Blake moved the motion and Dr. Baird seconded the motion.

All members present voted in favor and the motion carried. (8 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 \$1,807,187.75.

Dr. Baird moved the motion and Mrs. Colton seconded the motion.

All members present voted in favor and the motion carried. (8 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 September 2007.

Dr. Baird moved the motion and Mr. Cameron seconded the motion.

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

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

Mr. Nelson asked the board to reconsider the appointment of Head Varsity Softball Coach because he believes that he is well qualified and wants the position.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Mr. Blake reported that an executive session was held prior to the meeting to discuss personnel and possible litigation.

**SUPERINTENDENT'S INFORMATION REPORT**

Ms. Mulroy presented the board members with the following information:

- Slater Family Network annual report.
- Spring Musical Positions and budget.
- Request for a Middle School trip to Williamsburg.
- Request for a High School Choral trip to Williamsburg.

**STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE**

None

**ACTION AGENDA**

**RESIGNATIONS**

**07-10-P/NP-01**

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

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1. Melissa Owens as elementary special education teacher, effective upon release by the Superintendent;
2. Charles Woolley as head middle school football coach, effective September 26, 2007;
3. Betty Knecht as activities/study hall monitor at Bangor Area Middle School, effective October 30, 2007;
4. Rodney Bruch as van driver, effective October 13, 2007, with intent to retire;
5. Brenda Hockenberry as cafeteria worker, effective immediately.

Dr. Baird moved the motion and Mr. Blake seconded the motion.

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

**STAFF APPOINTMENTS**

**07-10-P/NP-02**

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

1. Victoria Kropf and Troy Schoeneberger as M.A.R.K. Program after-school lead tutors at Bangor Area Middle School and Bangor Area High School, at a stipend of \$1,000 each, effective for the 2007-2008 school year, ending on or before June 30, 2008;
2. Melissa Mastrogiovanni as part-time cafeteria worker/cashier at Washington Elementary School, 3 hours per day, at the contracted rate of \$12.41 per hour, effective October 23, 2007;
3. Melissa McShane as part-time personal instructional aide, at Bangor Area High School, five hours per day, at the contracted rate of \$17.27 per hour, effective October 23, 2007;
4. Loren Rabbat as part-time instructional aide, at Bangor Area High School, five hours per day, at the contracted rate of \$17.27 per hour, effective October 23, 2007;
5. Denise Laurito, Sandi Miller, and Tracy Finkbeiner as M.A.R.K. after-school tutors, at \$20 per hour, effective immediately until on or before June 30, 2008;
6. Ann Ealey as S.A.I.L./Title I part-time instructional aide, at Five Points Elementary, five hours per day, at the contracted rate of \$13.27, for the 2007-2008 school year;
7. Elizabeth Smith as TPE German instructor at Bangor Area High School, at step 8 of the Masters +45 scale, \$46,450, prorated, effective February 1, 2008;
8. Judi Williams-Gibson as first aid officer, at the contracted rate of \$18.21 per hour, effective immediately.

Mrs. Colton moved the motion and Dr. Baird seconded the motion.

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

**EXTRA-CURRICULAR APPOINTMENTS**

**07-10-P/NP-03**

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

1. Susan Benenati as Teacher Apprentice Program advisor, at the contracted salary of \$1,070, effective beginning with the 2007-2008 school year;
2. James Burke as Sophomore class advisor, at the contracted salary of \$1,395, effective beginning with the 2007-2008 school year;

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3. Melissa Perrotta as foreign language department head, at the contracted salary of \$2,590, effective beginning with the 2007-2008 school year;
4. Barbara Wismer as head softball coach, at the contracted rate of \$4,860, effective beginning with the 2007-2008 season;
5. Christopher Connelly as high school concert choir director, at the contracted rate of \$1,645, effective beginning with the 2007-2008 school year;
6. Christopher Connelly as symphonic choir director, at the contracted rate of \$1,645, effective beginning with the 2007-2008 school year;
7. Christopher Connelly as assistant band front director, at the contracted rate of \$1,995, effective beginning with the 2007-2008 school year;
8. Jolene Connelly as assistant marching band director, at the contracted rate of \$3,400, effective beginning with the 2007-2008 school year;
9. Gregory Hartman as head varsity baseball coach, at the contracted rate of \$4,860, effective beginning with the 2007-2008 season;
10. Mark Hopstetter and Andrew Hartzell as track co-head coaches, at the contracted rate of \$4,860 each, effective beginning with the 2007-2008 season;
11. Todd Hallet and Tom Pysher as middle school football coaches for the remainder of the 2007-2008 season, with salaries as follows: Charles Woolley \$1,377.50, Todd Hallet \$688.75, and Tom Pysher \$688.75.

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)

**MENTOR TEACHERS**

**07-10-P-04**

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of School Directors of the Bangor Area School District approve the following mentors for the 2007-2008 school year, at the contracted rate of \$450:

Tarah Rawhouser for Cally Sipos  
June Zungolo for Marisa Manorek

Dr. Baird moved the motion and Mr. Cameron seconded the motion.

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

**COMPENSATED LEAVE OF ABSENCE**

**07-10-P-05**

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of School Directors of the Bangor Area School District approve the request for a compensated leave of absence for professional development for Tanya Peifly, elementary teacher at DeFranco Elementary, for the second semester of the 2007-2008 school year.

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

Mr. Spry stated the correct name for this leave is "Leave of Absence for Professional Development."

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

**FMLA STATUS**

**07-10-P/NP-06**

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

Dr. Baird moved the motion and Mrs. Colton seconded the motion.

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

**SUBSTITUTE LIST**

**07-10-P/NP-07**

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

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

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

**FIELD TRIPS AND CONFERENCES**

**07-10-C-08**

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

Dr. Baird moved the motion and Mrs. Colton seconded the motion.

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

**HOMEBOUND/TUTORIAL INSTRUCTION**

**07-10-C-09**

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of School Directors of the Bangor Area School District approve the attached request for homebound/tutorial instruction for student "206908," "203956," "202641," and "201506," "206198," and "204391."

Dr. Baird moved the motion and Mrs. Colton seconded the motion.

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

**CLASSROOMS FOR THE FUTURE**

**07-10-C-10**

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Directors of the Bangor Area School District approve the transfer of Hollie Schooley from business education to the Classrooms for the Future coaching responsibilities, as attached, beginning with the second semester of the 2007-2008 school year.

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

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

**MENTOR PAYMENT**

**07-10-P-11**

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of School Directors of the Bangor Area School District approve payment of \$440 to Sandra Gruppo for mentoring Adam Raines for the 2006-2007 school year.

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Mr. Cole moved the motion and Dr. Baird seconded the motion.

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

**2007-2008 DEFRANCO SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT PLAN  
07-10-C-12**

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of School Directors of the Bangor Area School District approve the 2007-2008 School Improvement Plan for DeFranco Elementary School, as attached.

Mrs. Colton moved the motion and Dr. Baird seconded the motion.

Dr. Baird stated the board appreciates the effort and work of the administration to develop this plan.

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

**SOLICITOR'S REPORT**

None

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**COLONIAL INTERMEDIATE UNIT #20**

Mrs. Colton stated the Colonial IU will honor the Governor School Students at their meeting on October 24, 2007.

**CAREER INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY (CIT)**

No report.

**POLICY COMMITTEE**

Mr. Reinhart stated the policy needs to meet.

**ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE**

No report.

**SAFETY COMMITTEE**

No report.

**BANGOR AREA EDUCATION FOUNDATION**

No report.

**NORTHAMPTON COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE**

Dr. Baird reported that the board has narrowed the field of architects to 7 from the original 34 that were interested in designing the Monroe Campus.

**FINANCE COMMITTEE**

No report.

**PROPOSED/POSSIBLE NEW CONSTRUCTION**

Mr. Blake reported the renovations to Washington Elementary are progressing well. Mr. Blake stated the original building is beginning to look like a school.

**COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENT (COG)**

No report.

**OLD BUSINESS**

None

**NEW BUSINESS**

Mr. Cole stated he believes it is important for the board to discuss the trips to Williamsburg so the groups can proceed with making plans.

**OPEN AGENDA**

Mr. Cole made a motion to open the agenda to consider additional items and Mrs. Colton seconded the motion.

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

**HIGH SCHOOL CHORAL TRIP**

**07-10-B-13**

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of School Directors of the Bangor Area School District approve the attached request for a High School Choral trip to Williamsburg pending final details.

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

Mr. Reinhart stated he estimates a hundred or more students will participate in this trip. Dr. Baird asked how many teachers will be chaperones for the trip.

Mr. Reinhart stated it will be a mix of teachers and parents but he will need to ask Mr. Connelly the number of teachers that he will ask to join the trip.

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

**MIDDLE SCHOOL TRIP**

**07-10-B-14**

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of School Directors of the Bangor Area School District approve the attached request for a 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade trip to Williamsburg pending final details.

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

Mr. Blake asked the approximate number of students who would go on this trip.

Mrs. Colton stated the last trip had approximately 50 students.

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

**CREATION OF MUSICAL POSITIONS**

**07-10-B-15**

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of School Directors of the Bangor Area School District approve the creation of the attached positions for the 2007-2008 musical.

Mr. Cole moved the motion and Mr. Sandnes seconded the motion.

Mrs. Colton asked if the director is requesting the funds from the board to cover the deficit.

Mr. Wiencek stated that the student activity account balance will cover the deficit.

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Mr. Blake asked if the payment amounts are the same as the previous year.  
Mr. Wiencek stated the amounts are very close to the previous year.

Mr. Blake asked if any of the positions would be the duties of the stage manager.  
Mr. Reinhart stated that he will speak with Mr. Connelly to determine if there are any overlapping of duties.

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

Mr. Boyle asked Mr. Gunnels if there are enough chaperones for the middle school trip to New York City.

Mr. Gunnels stated that he will get that information and forward the information to Mr. Boyle.

**The board adjourned for executive session at 8:50 p.m.**

**The board reconvened at 9:10 p.m.**

**PRESERVE AT RIVERSTONE CONCEPT  
07-10-B-16**

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of School Directors of the Bangor Area School District after a preliminary review of the sketch plan of the Preserve at Riverstone the Bangor Board of School Directors support the concept of an industrial and commercial development and age-restricted housing in order to lessen the school tax burden on the district residents.

Mr. Cole moved the motion and Dr. Baird seconded the motion.

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

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

None

**ADJOURNMENT**

The motion to adjourn was made by Dr. Baird and Mr. Blake seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned at 9:20 p.m.

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

An audio and a video recording of this meeting are available for review.

Respectfully submitted,

Stephen G. Wiencek  
Board Secretary