

**BOARD WORK SESSION
SEPTEMBER 18, 2006**

The Bangor Area School Board met for a Board Work Session in the Slater Conference Room on Monday, September 18, 2006. The meeting was called to order at 7:46 p.m. by President Joseph Boyle.

ROLL CALL

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

Michael Baird	Present	Kevin Pruett	Present
Robert Blake	Present	Albert Ronca	Present
Bruce Cameron	Present	Olav Sandnes	Absent
Charles Cole	Present	Joseph Boyle	Present
Pamela Colton	Present		

ADMINISTRATION

Mr. Reinhart, Dr. Horvath, Mr. DeFelice, Mr. Farnan, Mr. Lucrezi, Mrs. Kocher, Mrs. Walker, Mrs. Gary, Mrs. Bustos, Mr. Stonehouse, Mrs. Awigena and Mr. Wiencek represented the Administration.

STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE

Carly Boos was present.

SOLICITOR

Don Spry was absent.

BANGOR AREA EDUCATIONAL ASSOCIATION

Ms. Evans was present.

BANGOR AREA EDUCATIONAL SUPPORT PERSONNEL ASSOCIATION

No one was present.

PUBLIC

There was 1 person from the public present.

PRESS

The Express-Times – Douglas Brill was present.

The Morning Call – Fred Walter was present.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

SUPERINTENDENT'S INFORMATION REPORT

Mr. Reinhart reported that all the district's administrators are certified in National Incident Management System introductory training which will enable them to assist in coordinating crisis readiness.

Mr. Stonehouse reported that an overheated tar pot on the roof of the new wing of Washington Elementary School was the source of smoke that filled the school and forced the evacuation of students and staff on Monday, September 18, 2006.

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ATHLETIC REPORT

Mr. Farnan reported:

- There is an increase in the number of students participating in sports this fall season.
- The field hockey team is currently undefeated.
- Mr. Nelson an Upper Mt. Bethel Township Supervisor, has been working with the school district and the township to reconstruct the cinder track that surrounds the band practice field. The township has brought in their equipment to clear the weeds that have grown around the track and have also rolled the field hockey field for the district.
- The first night soccer game is currently being played at Bangor Park on the multipurpose field that was recently reconstructed by the park board.

DISCUSSION OF PROPOSED MOTIONS:

1. Accept the following resignations:

1. Robin LaBar, choral director at DeFranco Elementary, effective immediately;
2. Susan Wiencek, instructional aide, effective immediately;
3. Jody Pennington, instructional aide, effective immediately;
4. Belinda Anderson, 7th grade team leader, effective immediately;
5. Scott Morro, DeFranco Elementary yearbook advisor, effective immediately;
6. Jane Oliver, instructional aide, effective immediately;
7. Cody Hendershot, assistant middle school football coach, effective immediately.

2. Approve the attached lists of field trips and conferences.

Mr. Pruett stated that he was happy to see that the 4th and 5th grade classes will be going to Harrisburg this year.

3. Approve the following staff appointments:

1. Charles Woolley, part-time van driver, at the contracted rate of \$14.22 per hour, effectively immediately;
2. Promote Brenda Hockenberry from 4 hours per day cafeteria worker at DeFranco Elementary to 4.5 hours per day cafeteria/cashier worker at DeFranco Elementary, at the contracted rate of \$12.41 per hour, effective immediately;
3. Promote Marion VanHorn from 4.25 hours per day cafeteria worker at Five Points Elementary to 4.75 hours per day cafeteria/cashier worker at DeFranco Elementary, at the contracted rate of \$12.41 per hour, effective immediately;
4. Regina Devlin as part-time personal aide, five hours per day, at Bangor Area High School, at the contracted of \$13.27 per hour, effective August 28, 2006. (replacing P Walters)

Mr. Reinhart requested to speak to the personnel committee directly following the work session.

4. Approve the adoption and purchase of the following textbooks:

1. 75 copies of *Fokus Deutsch Beginning German I*, McGraw-Hill Higher Education, copyright 2000, at \$44.50 each, for a total of \$3,337.50 and 75 copies of the corresponding workbook, at \$23.50 each, for a total of \$1,762.50;

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2. 25 copies of *Career Choices*, Academic Innovations, copyright 2003, at \$25.95 each, for a total of \$648.75, and 100 copies of the consumable workbook, at \$7.95 each, for a total of \$795.00.

5. Approve the following extra-curricular appointments:

1. Ditta VanGemen as LTS Middle School Student Government Advisor, at the contracted rate of \$1,925, prorated, effective for the 1st semester of the 2006-2007 school year.

Mr. Pruett asked if this is a LTS position because the district is holding the position pending the return of Mrs. Griffin.

Mr. Reinhart responded that the position is to be returned to Mrs. Griffin if she returns to the district in January.

6. Approve the attached request for homebound/tutorial instruction for students "A," "B," and "C."

7. Approve the following mentors for the 2006-2007 school year, at the contracted rate of \$440:

Belinda Anderson for Dino Perelli (1st semester only)

8. Approve sending the following district representatives to the 2007 NSBA Convention in San Francisco, California:

9. Approve the attached lists of district substitutes.

10. Approve the existence of the following parent support groups for the 2006-2007 school year:

Bangor Football/Cheerleaders Parents Club
Bangor Boys Basketball Parents Club
Bangor Girls Basketball Parents Club
Bangor Area Field Hockey Boosters Association
Bangor Cross Country/Track Parents Club
Bangor Soccer Parents Club

Mr. Pruett question why some of the other parents groups were not included.

Mr. Reinhart stated that the Band Parents Organization is a registered group that files tax returns therefore the district does not have to approve it's existence.

Mr. Reinhart stated that the Chorus Organization was disbanded at the end of the 2005-2006 school year and the PTA has national affiliation so they will not need approval.

Mr. Reinhart stated that he will need to speak to the BSPEC organization.

OLD BUSINESS

Mr. Wiencek reported that one member chosen for the Act 1 Tax Study Commission is unable to serve on the committee and will need to be replaced at next week's meeting.

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Mrs. Colton reported that she will have the final dress code survey ready for approval next week.

NEW BUSINESS

Mr. Reinhart presented the board with a request from Mr. DiMinico for assistance with the large number of students that are participating in the various choirs.

Mr. Pruett requested that Act 4, Farm Land Preservation, be put on the agenda for the board meeting on September 25, 2006.

Mr. Cole asked if the high school counselors need additional summer time to resolve the scheduling problems prior to the start of school.

Mr. DeFelice stated that they do not need additional time but the time that they already have needs to be better planned next year.

Mr. DeFelice stated that when the PSSA scores became available in July the administration began changing schedules to accommodate the needs of students as a result of the test. Mr. DeFelice stated that a lot of the schedule change requests were from students who wanted a particular teacher, which were denied by the administration.

Mr. Cole asked if the teachers of the district can administer the EpiPen in case of an emergency.

Mr. DeFelice responded that the administration recently heard a presentation by Bernie Hoffman, a retired school administrator, who is a consultant on school laws. Mr. Hoffman stated that the teachers will need to be trained and the student's medical emergency card needs to have doctor permission for use of an EpiPen clearly stated in order for the teachers to administer the EpiPen legally.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Mr. Nelson urged the board to proceed with caution when investigating the future impact of Act 4 to the district. Mr. Nelson suggested that the district consider selling their development rights to the state for the Ott property.

Mr. Pruett asked Mr. Nelson for the status of the Ashley Project.

Mr. Nelson responded that there has been no Ashley Development Project presented to the Board of Supervisors.

ADJOURNMENT

The work session was adjourned at 8:53 p.m.

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

Respectfully submitted,

Stephen G. Wiencek
Board Secretary