

**BOARD WORK SESSION  
OCTOBER 15, 2007**

The Bangor Area School Board met for a Board Work Session in the Slater Conference Room on Monday, October 15, 2007. The meeting was called to order at 7:43 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	Present
Charles Cole	Present	Joseph Boyle	Present
Pamela Colton	Present		

ADMINISTRATION

Mr. Reinhart, Ms. Mulroy, Mr. DeFelice, Mr. Lucrezi, Mrs. Kocher, Mr. Gunnels, Mr. Tripler, Mr. Stonehouse, Mrs. Walker, Mrs. Bustos, Mr. Farnan, Mrs. Awigena and Mr. Wiencek represented the Administration.

STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE

Carly Boos was absent.

SOLICITOR

Don Spry was absent.

BANGOR AREA EDUCATIONAL ASSOCIATION

Mr. Olson was present.

BANGOR AREA EDUCATIONAL SUPPORT PERSONNEL ASSOCIATION

Mr. Hoechst was present.

PUBLIC

Henry Guarriello from D'Huy Engineering and Ron Angle were present.

PRESS

The Express-Times – No one was present.

The Morning Call – No one was present.

**SUPERINTENDENT'S INFORMATION REPORT**

Mr. Reinhart reviewed the following items that were included in the board packet with the board members:

- Letter from John Stoffa explaining a new program the county will initiate at the middle school.
- Thank you letter from the First Grade teachers at Five Points Elementary for the air conditioning that was installed.
- Letter Mr. Reinhart wrote to the Borough of Bangor requesting additional security and lighting around the stadium for the Bangor-Pen Argyl Football Game. Mr. Reinhart stated he requested the district administrators attend also as additional security.

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Mr. DeFelice presented the board with a proposal to hire an English as a Second Language (ESL) teacher. Mr. DeFelice stated the district had a significant increase in the number of ESL students and the current teacher is unable to properly educate all of the students under the state guidelines.

Mrs. Walker presented a power point presentation on the School Improvement Plan for the DeFranco Elementary School. The School Improvement Plan is aimed at improving the PSSA test scores.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

Mr. Angle presented the board with copies of the new proposal from the developers of Marshfield. The new project would be called The Preserve at Riverstone and would include 400 age-restricted units and 196 townhouses as well as warehouses, office buildings and medical buildings. Mr. Angle asked the board to consider endorsing the project if the developer removes the 196 townhouses from the proposal.

**ATHLETIC REPORT**

Mr. Farnan reported the following items:

- Stani Schiavone won the female District XI golf tournament and competed in the regional tournament earlier in the day but he did not have the results.
- The doubles lost a close match in finals of the individual district tennis match earlier in the day. The tennis team will be competing in the team district competition beginning on Tuesday, October 16, 2007.
- The field hockey team will compete in the Colonial League Tournament beginning on Tuesday, October 16, 2007 and in the District XI Tournament beginning the week of October 22, 2007.
- The Cross Country team will compete in the Colonial League Meet on Thursday, October 18, 2007.
- The October 19, 2007 football game will be broadcast on radio station FM1470 with Mr. Richard Smith as guest commentator.

**DISCUSSION OF PROPOSED MOTIONS:**

1. Approve the following staff resignations:

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.

2. 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. 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;
  3. Melissa Perrotta as foreign language department head, at the contracted salary of \$2,590, effective beginning with the 2007-2008 school year.
4. 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

5. 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 asked if this is the same as a sabbatical.  
Mr. Reinhart responded that this is a sabbatical.

Mr. Blake asked if she will be doing on-line classes.  
Mr. Reinhart stated he believes they are on-line classes.

6. Approve the attached list of employees on FMLA status.
7. Approve the attached list of district substitutes.
8. Approve the attached lists of field trips and conferences.

Dr. Baird asked about the educational value of the corn maze.

Mr. DeFelice stated the emotional support class is doing the corn maze after school as a team building experience with their teacher.

9. Approve the attached request for homebound/tutorial instruction for student "206908," "203956," "202641," and "201506."
10. Approve the transfer of Hollie Schooley from business education teacher to the Classrooms for the Future coaching responsibilities, as attached, beginning with the second semester of the 2007-2008 school year.

Dr. Baird asked who would teach Mrs. Schooley's classes next semester.

Ms. Mulroy stated the position would need to be posted but hopefully the current long-term substitute in the position this semester will apply.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

None

#### **OLD BUSINESS**

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Mr. Guarriello stated the contracts from D'Huy Engineering are currently being reviewed by the lawyers and asked if the board members had any questions.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

Mr. Hoechst asked the district to hire additional van drivers now that one current driver has resigned. Mr. Hoechst stated that the district does not have enough van drivers to cover all the van routes.

**ADJOURNMENT**

The work session was adjourned at 9:10 p.m.

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

Respectfully submitted,

Stephen G. Wiencek  
Board Secretary