

**SCHOOL COMMITTEE  
BARRINGTON PUBLIC SCHOOLS  
BARRINGTON, RHODE ISLAND**

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**Minutes of School Committee Meeting 03/25/10**

A regular meeting of the Barrington School Committee was held on Thursday, March 25, 2010 at the Administration Office. Mr. Hasenfus called the meeting to order at 7:40 p.m. Present were Mr. Hasenfus, Dr. Shea, Mr. Guida, Mrs. Oberg, Mr. Tarro, Dr. Calise and Dr. McIntyre. Dr. Flanagan was absent.

Mrs. Kate Brody led the Committee in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

**Achievement Recognition**

Dr. McIntyre commended both the students (members of the American Computer Science League) and Mr. Mario Correia, High School math teacher, who finished in first place in the 24<sup>th</sup> Annual Providence College High School Computer Programming Contest.

Dr. McIntyre was pleased to report that the Barrington Eagles Robotics Team at Middle School tied for third place at the Annual Technology Conference at New England Tech.

Additionally, Dr. McIntyre expressed congratulations to Ann Marie Marino, who was named Rhode Island Female Cross Country Coach of the Year.

**Approval of Minutes**

**Mrs. Oberg moved and Dr. Shea seconded to approve the minutes of the regular School Committee meeting of 03/04/10 as written. Following the motion being amended by Mrs. Oberg and seconded by Mr. Guida to add at the bottom of page 3 “regarding a personnel matter regarding a specific teacher”, the motion was approved as amended 4-0.**

**Mrs. Oberg moved and Mr. Guida seconded to approve the minutes of the Executive Session School Committee meeting of 03/04/10 as written. The motion passed 4-0. It was noted that the minutes were sealed and one vote was taken.**

**Approval of Financials**

None were available for approval this evening.

**Information and Proposals**

Dr. Calise presented an overview of student achievement via the District’s Annual Report. Mr. Hurley and Mr. Messore explained plans developed to improve NECAP scores in math and writing going forward. A power point presentation was used as the basis of their presentations. Much discussion took place with comments and questions from the School Committee and audience regarding various aspects of the presentations.

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**General Public Discussion and Information**

Dr. McIntyre indicated that no decisions have been made yet regarding possible cuts to the proposed SY 11 budget (specifically with regard to librarians) in response to a question from a member of the audience.

Administrators and members of the Committee noted that no decision has been made at the State House regarding a state aid funding formula in response to a question from a member of the audience. Mr. Guida emphasized that the District will continue to make a case for a fair and equitable funding formula.

Some other questions and comments were made by the audience regarding the recent math NECAP test scores and the opinion of one member of the audience regarding the hiring of math tutors for some students.

There was no **Old Business from Superintendent and Staff.**

**Old Business from School Committee**

Mrs. Oberg suggested that a discussion regarding the School Committee Fundraising policy be tabled until a later meeting.

**New Business from Superintendent and Staff**

**Mrs. Oberg moved and Mr. Guida seconded to approve the resignations of Sarah Bhuta, HS Science and Rose Gillooly, ELA Curriculum Leader. The motion passed 4-0.**

**Mrs. Oberg moved and Mr. Guida seconded to approve the request for a leave of absence for Lauren Tucciarone, HS, Art. The motion passed 4-0.**

Following Dr. McIntyre's explanation, it was the consensus of the Committee to defer approval of the 2010-2011 school calendar until the next meeting to consider closing school on September 9<sup>th</sup> in observance of the Jewish Holy Day.

Following Mr. Tarro's overview of the Door Replacement Bid:

**Mrs. Oberg moved and Mr. Guida seconded to adopt the recommendation of Mr. Tarro with respect to the award of the Exterior Door Replacement Bid for Primrose Hill and Nayatt to Goldense Building Products in an amount not to exceed \$19,914 which was the lowest evaluated qualified bidder. The motion passed 4-0.**

There was no **New Business from School Committee.**

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**Discussion of Future Agenda Topics**

Mr. Hasenfus asked that the Committee put on a future agenda a discussion of Binding Arbitration legislation.

**General Discussion to Guide Future Recommendations**

April 1st                      7:30 p.m.              @ PH Community Engagement - Goal #1  
Special Education Update – Goal #2  
Facilities Update – Goal #4

**General Public Discussion and Information.**

No issues were raised at this time.

No Executive Session was necessary.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:30 p.m.