

**Blackstone-Millville Regional District School Committee**  
**Minutes of Meeting**  
**April 4, 2013**

The Blackstone Millville Regional District School Committee met in the library of the Frederick W. Hartnett Middle School at 7:00 p.m. with the following members present:

Re-organization of the School Committee took place which resulted in the following:

New member -William F. Chaplin, Jr.

William F. Chaplin, Jr., Chairperson  
Steven J. Tringali, Vice Chairperson  
Wendy L. Greenstein, District Treasurer  
Catherine A. Robinson, Asst. District Treasurer  
Erin P. Vinacco, District Secretary  
Michael J. Buckley, Member  
Diane C. Robin, Member  
Brian T. Faulkner, Member

Also in attendance was Kimberly B. Shaver-Hood, Superintendent of Schools.

The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States was recited.

Nomination was taken for Chairperson.

**Motion:** It was moved by Mrs. Robin, seconded by Mr. Tringali to nominate Mr. Chaplin for Chairperson.

**Motion:** It was moved by Mr. Buckley, seconded by Mrs. Greenstein to nominate Mrs. Vinacco for Chairperson.

Written ballots were taken and the vote was as follows:

Mr. Chaplin – 5 votes

Mrs. Vinacco – 3 votes

Mr. Chaplin became the new School Committee Chairperson.

Nomination was taken for Vice Chairperson.

**Motion:** It was moved by Mr. Faulkner, seconded by Mrs. Robin to nominate Mr. Tringali for Vice Chairperson.

**Motion:** It was moved by Mrs. Vinacco, seconded by Mr. Buckley to nominate Mrs. Greenstein for Vice Chairperson.

The vote was a tie – 4 votes for Mr. Tringali and 4 votes for Mrs. Greenstein.

A second vote was taken and this vote resulted in a vote of 5 votes for Mr. Tringali and 3 votes for Mrs. Greenstein.

Mr. Tringali became the new Vice Chairperson.

**Motion:** It was moved by Mr. Faulkner, seconded by Mrs. Robinson to nominate Mrs. Robin for District Secretary.

**Motion:** It was moved by Mr. Buckley, seconded by Mrs. Greenstein to nominate Mrs. Vinacco for District Secretary.

A vote was taken which resulted in a vote of 7 votes for Mrs. Vinacco and 1 vote for Mrs. Robin.

Mrs. Vinacco became the new District Secretary.

Nomination was taken for District Treasurer.

**Motion:** It was moved by Mr. Buckley, seconded by Mrs. Vinacco to nominate Mrs. Greenstein for District Treasurer.

**Motion:** It was moved by Mrs. Robin, seconded by Mr. Faulkner to nominate Mrs. Robinson for District Treasurer.

A vote was taken which resulted in a vote of 5 votes for Mrs. Greenstein and 3 votes for Mrs. Robinson.

Mrs. Greenstein became the new District Treasurer.

Nomination was taken for Assistant District Treasurer.

**Motion:** It was moved by Mr. Faulkner, seconded by Mrs. Robin to nominate Mrs. Robinson as the Assistant District Treasurer.

**Motion:** It was moved by Mr. Buckley, seconded by Mrs. Greenstein to nominate Mr. Faulkner as the Assistant District Treasurer.

A vote was taken which resulted in a vote of 5 votes for Mrs. Robinson and 3 votes for Mr. Faulkner.

Mrs. Robinson became the new Assistant District Treasurer.

**Motion:** It was moved by Mrs. Robin, seconded by Mrs. Robinson and unanimously voted to nominate Donna M. Scungio as Assistant District Treasurer.

**Motion:** It was moved by Mrs. Robin, seconded by Mr. Faulkner and unanimously voted to nominate Harold D. Gould as District Counsel.

Mr. Buckley asks the Committee to begin thinking about and planning for a successor for Mr. Gould.

Mr. Chaplin thanks the voters for voting him in as Chairperson.

**Motion:** It was moved by Mrs. Robin, seconded by Mrs. Greenstein and unanimously voted to approve Consent Agenda A (excluding Minutes of Meeting of March 20<sup>th</sup>).

**Motion:** It was moved by Mrs. Robin, seconded by Mr. Faulkner (7 in favor, 1 abstain – Mr. Chaplin) to approve the Minutes of Meeting of March 20, 2013.

Anna Franciosa, Student Representative gave her report. She stated that there was a track meet, baseball game and tennis match today at BMR. MICA will be held at Foxboro High School tomorrow and in Hopkinton over the weekend. Senior prom will be held at Kirkbrae Country Club on April 18<sup>th</sup> this year.

### **Subcommittee Reports**

**Strategic planning** spoke on a meeting planned – they will wrap up core values in the next couple of meetings.

**Policy** – there were no items to report.

**Regional Agreement** – they would like to set up a meeting in the next two weeks.

**Legislative** – Mr. Buckley stated that a debate on the legislative bill is scheduled for Monday.

**Facilities** – there were no items to report.

**Communications** – Meetings are live and simultaneously broadcast on the web.

### **Report of the Superintendent**

**Motion:** It was moved by Mrs. Robin, seconded by Mr. Faulkner to accept School Choice in the District for FY14.

Discussion on the motion was taken:

Mr. Buckley wants to know what we are doing to make the District more appealing.

Mrs. Vinacco wants to change the eligibility date of kindergarten enrollment from August 15<sup>th</sup> to a date between September 1<sup>st</sup> and September 15<sup>th</sup> to attract more people.

Ms. Shaver-Hood will take a survey of other towns to see what they are doing.

They will promote the before and after school program. Mrs. Greenstein wants them to start looking for a director of this program.

The motion on the table to accept School Choice was unanimously approved.

MSBA update – The projects will begin by this summer and they still intend to have everything mobilized for the last week of school and hopefully meet their timelines.

### **Public Forum**

Mrs. Cote is concerned about the cancelation of the Negotiation meeting. She is asking for more consideration when changing dates and times.

### **Committee Forum**

Mrs. Vinacco – welcome to Bill Chaplin.

Mr. Faulkner – recognition for Marshall Maltis on making Eagle Scout on Sunday.

The Millville library walk-a-thon will be coming up. Mr. Faulkner wants to give Kevin McCourt recognition for working so hard with the student council.

Mrs. Robin – thanked everyone who came out to vote.

Mr. Chaplin – said thank you for the opportunity to serve on the School Committee. He will improve at each meeting.

**Motion:** It was moved by Mrs. Robin, seconded by Mr. Faulkner and unanimously voted to adjourn the meeting at 7:55 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Monique F. Simard  
Recording Secretary

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_  
Erin P. Vinacco, District Secretary