

**BLACKSTONE-MILLVILLE REGIONAL  
DISTRICT SCHOOL COMMITTEE  
MINUTES OF MEETING**

**April 7, 2010**

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

Michael J. Buckley, Chairman  
Ann M. Lesperance, Vice Chairperson  
Charles K. Singleton, District Secretary  
Lynn M. Landry, District Treasurer  
Catherine A. Robinson, Assistant District Treasurer  
John J. Eldridge, Member  
Diane C. Robin, Member  
Steven Tringali, Member

Absent from meeting were Student Representatives Luke Perreault and Amanda Chamberlin.

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

The members reorganized the School Committee as follows:

**Motion:** It was moved by Mr. Buckley, seconded by Mr. Eldridge and **unanimously voted** by written ballot to elect Charles K. Singleton as Chairman of the Blackstone-Millville Regional District School Committee.

**Motion:** It was moved by Mr. Buckley, seconded by Mrs. Landry and **unanimously voted** by written ballot to elect Ann M. Lesperance to another term as Vice Chairperson of the Blackstone-Millville Regional District School Committee.

**Motion:** It was moved by Mrs. Landry, seconded by Mr. Buckley and **unanimously voted** to elect Steven J. Tringali as Secretary of the Blackstone-Millville Regional District School Committee.

**Motion:** It was moved by Mrs. Robinson, seconded by Mrs. Lesperance and **unanimously voted** to elect Lynn M. Landry to another term as Treasurer of the Blackstone-Millville Regional District School Committee.

**Motion:** It was moved by Mrs. Landry, seconded by Mr. Buckley and **unanimously voted** to elect Catherine A. Robinson to another term as Assistant District Treasurer of the Blackstone-Millville Regional District School Committee.

**Motion:** It was moved by Mr. Buckley, seconded by Mrs. Lesperance and **unanimously voted** to elect Donna M. Scungio to another term as Non-Member Assistant District Treasurer.

**Motion:** It was moved by Mr. Eldridge, seconded by Mr. Tringali and **unanimously voted** to elect Harold D. Gould to another term as District Counsel.

The Student Representatives were not present this evening.

### **Consent Agenda**

**Motion:** It was moved by Mr. Buckley, seconded by Mrs. Lesperance and **unanimously voted (Mr. Tringali abstained from part A. since he was not present for the meeting)** to approve the Consent Agenda which includes Minutes of Meeting of March 25, 2010 and Warrants.

There were no items for Public Forum.

### **Report of Superintendent**

**Motion:** It was moved by Mr. Buckley, seconded by Mrs. Lesperance and **unanimously voted** to approve the purchase of the Marching Band and WinterGuard jackets and patches for a grand total of \$7,748.20 with funds being taken from the Superintendent's Office account.

Mr. Eldridge feels that he is being a realist and asked that the Committee look at this large purchase in the future.

Mr. Buckley stated that the policy of purchasing jackets and patches for Marching Band Members who win Districts has gone back to the inception of the school.

Superintendent Shaver-Hood provided the members with the FY10 expenditure ledger. They are beginning to encumber funds. They will continue to review the budget, will pre-purchase items in April and will address the shortfalls as they get closer.

Superintendent Shaver-Hood stated that Massachusetts was not one of the states chosen for Race to the Top grant funds. However, they are now getting ready to apply for the 2<sup>nd</sup> round of funding.

Superintendent Shaver-Hood has met with the 5<sup>th</sup> grade teachers and they are moving forward with curriculum in this area. Mrs. Tessier is spending time with the lower grades as much as possible.

Superintendent Shaver-Hood stated that there are currently two candidates for the Student Services Director Position. She will share the outcome with the Committee at a later time.

Superintendent Shaver-Hood was contacted by the Massachusetts School Building Authority. A representative will be conducting a walk through the buildings over the next two weeks to rate them.

Superintendent Shaver-Hood was approached by the Parent Organization who would like to purchase equipment for the JFK/AFM Complex playground. Town Administrator, Ken Bianchi has agreed to this, but asked the School Committee for its approval first. Once they have given their approval Mr. Bianchi will present it to the Board of Selectmen for a vote.

**Motion:** It was moved by Mrs. Robinson, seconded by Mrs. Landry and **unanimously voted** to approve the purchase of gym equipment for the JFK/AFM Complex by the Parent Organization.

### **Committee Forum**

Mr. Tringali stated that the search for the principal at the Complex was a great experience and they currently have a few very good candidates.

Mr. Buckley thanked everyone in the community for their kindness and sympathy for the loss of his mother. He will be attending the trip to Washington, D.C. tomorrow with the school band and is looking forward to this trip. The last time the band participated in the parade was in 1975.

Mr. Singleton was very thankful for his nomination. He stated that Mr. Buckley is extremely knowledgeable and he will have big shoes to fill. He looks forward to the School Committee's continued movement in a positive direction.

**Motion:** It was moved by Mrs. Lesperance, seconded by Mr. Buckley and **unanimously voted** to enter into Executive Session at 7:37 p.m. for the purpose of discussing budget issues and office personnel and to come out of Executive Session for the purpose of adjourning the meeting. The motion was followed by a roll call vote.

**Motion:** At 8:21 p.m. it was moved by Mrs. Lesperance, seconded by Mr. Buckley and **unanimously voted** to adjourn the meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

Monique F. Simard  
Recording Secretary

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_  
Steven J. Tringali, District Secretary