Bourne Public Schools

BOURNE SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Regular Meeting Minutes

DATE: Wednesday, September 20, 2023
TIME: 6:00PM Regular Session
PLACE: Bourne High School Media Center, 75 Waterhouse Rd., Bourne, MA

ATTENDANCE

SCHOOL COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT: Chair Emily Berry; Donel Beals; Maureen Fuller; Kendellynn Gagne; Paul McMaster; Kari MacRae; Kerrie Scofield; Student Representative MacKenzie McMaster

SCHOOL COMMITTEE MEMBERS ABSENT:

OTHER ATTENDEES PRESENT: Dr. Kerri Anne Quinlan-Zhou, Superintendent; Dr. Barbara Starkie, Assistant Superintendent of Learning and Teaching; Jordan Geist, Director of Business Services; Kristin Donahue, Director of Special Education and Student Services; Chris Oliver, Director of Technology

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Emily Berry calls the meeting to order at 6:00PM.

2. PLEDGE TO THE FLAG

All stand for the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. PUBLIC INPUT

No public comments are made.

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4. REPORTS AND PRESENTATIONS

a. CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT, *Emily Berry, School Committee Chair*

- Chair Berry welcomes Student Representative MacKenzie McMaster to the School Committee.
- Correspondence: Blue Star Families Week Proclamation

Kerrie Scofield motions to approve Blue Star Families Week Proclamation; Seconded by Paul McMaster; Voice call vote passes 7-0-0 (Donel Beals not yet arrived)

- Chair Berry reads the Blue Star Families Week Proclamation**.** Bourne Public School will celebrate Blue Star Welcome Week September 23, 2023 through October 1, 2023.

b. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT, *Dr. Kerri Anne Quinlan-Zhou, Superintendent of Schools*

- Bourne Middle School Declared a Special Olympics Unified School- Dr. Zhou introduces Christine Borning and Lisa Maguire to share more about what it means to be a Special Olympics Unified Champion School. Mrs. Borning explains that the Middle School participated in Unified basketball last year when Special Olympics added Middle School sports and plans to add a Unified bocce team this year. Dr. Maguire adds that the high school currently runs Unified basketball and track teams. She explains that what's special about being named a Unified Champions School is that it's not just about the athletic aspect of the partnerships, it's also about students coming together, educating our community, and welcoming and embracing everyone. Mrs. Borning acknowledges Kristin Alexander who does most of the heavy lifting with Unified sports.
- School Improvement Plans SY23-24-Dr. Zhou says so much work has gone into this year's School Improvement Plans. She explains that a few years ago they were 3-year plans, then moved to 1-year plans and this is the second year of thoughtful, aligned 1-year plans. She says each school will review the basics of the plans, as well as look back at last year and a glimpse into the metrics they'll be using. She reminds the SC that they are only voting on this year's plan, the metrics sheet is about how they will measure all these things throughout the year to ensure realistic, action-oriented plans.
  - Bournedale Elementary-Liz Carpenito, Melissa Cieto, and Lisa Dix present the BES School Improvement Plan. Mrs. Carpenito reviews last year's School Improvement Plan Goals and their End of the Year status. Ms. Cieto walks through Goal #1 for SY 23-24: By June 2024, Bournedale Elementary School will collect and analyze multiple sources of data to ensure that all students have access to a diverse, equitable, and inclusive culture in BES. Mrs. Carpenito presents Goal #2: By June 2024, Bournedale Elementary School will create a list of experiences to build capacities and competencies for our PreK-2 students for our early childhood vision of a graduate. Mrs. Dix shares Goal #3: By June 2024, Bournedale Elementary School will participate in/host at least five outside of school activities that include community involvement and work to have multiple points of access to accommodate all families.
    - Kari MacRae comments that it's amazing to be bringing parents back in since she thinks many wish they could participate more.

- Bourne Intermediate School-Jane Norton, Amanda Kolby, and Lisa Dix present the BIS School Improvement Plan. Mrs. Norton reviews last year's goals and End of the Year status. She shares SY 23-24 BIS School Improvement Plan Goal #1: By June 2024, in order to increase prosocial peer to peer interactions and to reduce the number of major office referrals in SWIS for related offenses by five percent, all school staff will adopt and implement three new SEL strategies. Mrs. Dix introduces Goal #2: By June of 2024, students at BIS will show a 5 point increase in their average scaled score on the 2024 Math and ELA MCAS. Ms. Kolby shares Goal #3: By June of 2024, 90% of staff will clearly convey each lesson's learning objective(s) in student friendly language, afford opportunities for student voice and choice, and provide occasions for collaboration as evidenced by teacher observation feedback.
- Bourne Middle School-Christine Borning, Jessee Clements, and Kate Hartley present the BMS School Improvement Plan. Mrs. Borning reviews previous year goals and their status and introduces Goal #1: By June 2024, 85% of caregivers will report that they are satisfied with the communication offered by BMS staff. Mrs. Hartley shares some ways they are working to improve communication. Mrs. Borning presents Goal #2: By June 2024, Bourne Middle School will show a 5 point increase in average scaled scores for "all students" on the 2024 ELA and Math MCAS. Mrs. Clements reviews Goal #3:By the end of the 2023-2024 school year, 100% of classrooms observed during learning walks will be providing or sustaining in the areas of "engaging instruction" and "student ownership of learning."
- Bourne High School-Lisa Maguire, Nathan Dineen, Jesse Clements and Kate Hartley present the BHS School Improvement Plan. Dr. Maguire says the Administrators were able to come together as a brand new team with a fresh set of eyes to look at how to best move forward with this plan. She continues with reviewing last year's goal and end of the year status. Mr. Dineen introduces SY 23-24 BHS School Improvement Plan Goal #1: Engage students to increase active participation and interest in the learning process and build positive culture and climate, as evidenced by a decline in chronic absenteeism (more than 10% of the year) to under 20% and an increase in student connectedness to BHS as captured in future VOCAL data. Mrs. Hartley reviews Goal #2: Increase overall student proficiency on the MCAS assessments to 80% meeting or exceeding expectations in ELA, 75% meeting or exceeding expectations in math, and 75% meeting or exceeding expectations in STE. Mrs. Clements presents Goal #3: By June 2024, 100% of staff will post/articulate a mastery-based objective(s) for every lesson in student-friendly language and provide multiple opportunities for ongoing, authentic student discourse that empowers students to meet those objectives.
    - Maureen Fuller thanks everyone for their efforts on the School Improvement Plans on behalf of both our students and our teachers.

Maureen Fuller motions to approve all SY23-24 School Improvement Plans; Seconded by Kari MacRae; Voice call vote passes 8-0-0

- Transportation Update

- Jordan Geist thanks the bus drivers, the Bourne Police Department for everything they've done to assist in upcoming traffic issues, and Sue Downing for everything she's done to prepare. He says the impact so far has been tough at the Buzzards Bay Rotary and Main Street and reports the last bus arriving at BHS was 20 minutes late, last bus at BES arriving only a few minutes late and BIS about 5 minutes late. Afterschool traffic has been avoided so far. Sue Downing is making changes as necessary and will be changing a handful of BMS/BHS routes to start 10 minutes earlier.

- Announcements & Correspondence:
  - Upcoming Events Reminder: BPS Community Resource Fair takes place on 9/27 at 6PM at BHS

5. DISCUSSION ITEMS

- n/a

6. ACTION ITEMS

- Vote to approve BHS Safe Drivers Program Banner
  - Dr. Maguire says they were approached by a Farmers Insurance local rep, who has a student at BMS, to partner with them on their Partners In Safe Decisions program where in exchange for hanging a banner and posting two social media posts about safe driving they would award BHS a $750 grant to use as they see fit.

Paul McMaster motions to the Safe Drivers Program banner; Seconded by Kerrie Scofield; Voice call vote passes 8-0-0

  - Kari MacRae asks how long the banner will be hung for and Dr. Maguire says they were not given any time frame

- Vote to approve Warrants and Payroll

Kerrie Scofield motions to approve Warrants and Payroll; Seconded by Paul McMaster; Roll call vote passes 7-0-0 (MacKenzie McMaster not eligible to vote on Warrants and Payroll)

7. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

a. MASC Discussion and vote on delegate packet (October)

b. Student Spotlight on Bourne HS (October)
c. Accountability and MCAS (October)
d. C & I Spotlight on WIN (November)

8. **ADJOURN-*PAUL McMASTER MOTIONS TO ADJOURN REGULAR SESSION TO ENTER EXECUTIVE SESSION WITHOUT THE INTENTION OF RETURNING TO REGULAR SESSION; MAUREEN FULLER SECONDS; ROLL CALL VOTE PASSES 8-0-0***

Meeting ended at 7:30PM

List of documents and exhibits used (GL c.30A, sect 22(a))

Agenda Item	Document
0	School Committee Agenda

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,

Jessica Moerman
Recording Secretary