



**BELCHERTOWN PUBLIC SCHOOLS
REGULAR SCHOOL COMMITTEE MEETING
December 13, 2016**

LOCATION: Chestnut Hill Community School Auditorium

TIME: 7:00 p.m.

SCHOOL COMMITTEE MEMBERS: Ms. Dawn French, Chair; Dr. Thomas Laughner, Vice-Chair; Dr. Michael Knapp, Secretary, Ms. Myndi Bogdanovich, Member; Mr. Jeff Charron, Member

ADMINISTRATION: Mr. Brian Cameron, Assistant Superintendent and Director of Student Support Services; Dr. Shawn Fortin, Director of Teaching & Learning; Mr. Edward Dunn, Contracted School Business Manager

BHS STUDENT ADVISORY COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVES: Mr. Parker Mas

VISITORS:

AGENDA

Pledge of Allegiance

- I. Call to order
- II. Public comment regarding items on the agenda
- III. Special awards and presentations
- IV. Update from BHS Student Advisory Council representative – Mr. Parker Mass
- V. Approval of minutes (A.I.)
 - A. November 15, 2016, Regular Session
 - B. November 29, 2016, Regular Session
- VI. Reports and recommendations of the Superintendent
 - A. Communication to parents of professional release days
- VII. Personnel
 - A. Update as of December 13, 2016
- VIII. Unfinished business
 - A. Report on MASC Conference – Ms. French/Ms. Bogdanovich

- IX. New business
 - A. JBMS Out-of-State Field Trip Request – NYC (A.I.)
 - B. BHS Out-of-State Field Trip Request – Boys’ Lacrosse Teams (A.I.)
 - C. Acceptance of donation – Cold Spring School entry sign (A.I.)

- X. Reports of subcommittees
 - A. Curriculum & Instruction (Dr. Knapp/Mr. Charron)
 - B. Personnel & Policy (Ms. Bogdanovich/Dr. Laughner)
 - 1. Job Description – Director of Early Childhood (Possible A.I.)
 - 2. Job Description – Executive Assistant to the Superintendent (Possible A.I.)
 - 3. District Bullying Prevention & Intervention Policy and Plan
 - C. Property & Transportation (Ms. Bogdanovich/Ms. French)
 - D. Finance & Budget Subcommittee (Dr. Laughner/Mr. Charron)
 - 1. Warrants (A.I.)
 - 2. Update on revenue committee

- XI. Reports of school department liaisons
 - A. Healthy & Safer Schools Advisory Committee (Ms. French)
 - B. Technology Working Group (Dr. Laughner)
 - C. Collaborative for Educational Services (Dr. Knapp)
 - D. RADAR (Dr. Laughner, Mr. Charron)
 - 1. Update on RADAR

- XII. Correspondence
 - A. Agenda, December 13, 2016
 - B. November 15, 2016, Minutes
 - C. November 29, 2016, Minutes
 - D. Professional release days – letter to parents
 - E. Personnel Update
 - F. JBMS Out-of-State Field Trip Request – NYC (A.I.)
 - G. BHS Out-of-State Field Trip Request – Boys’ Lacrosse Teams (A.I.)
 - H. Memo regarding donated CSS sign
 - I. Job Description – Director of Early Childhood
 - J. Job Description – Executive Assistant to the Superintendent
 - K. District Bullying Prevention & Intervention Policy and Plan

- XIII. Vote to enter into Executive Session under M.G.L. 30A, §21, Parts (2) and (3) to discuss strategy with respect to collective bargaining with Unit A, Teachers, Unit B, Secretaries, Unit C, Custodians, Unit D. Food Service Employees, Unit E. Paraprofessionals and negotiations with single contract employees or litigation as conducting said business in open session would have a detrimental effect on the School Committee's bargaining or litigation position. The committee will not return to open session.

Vision Statement

Belchertown students, both individually and collaboratively, will be innovative thinkers, problem solvers and unique, creative contributors to their community and the world

Mission Statement

In the pursuit of excellence and the development of life-long learners, it is the mission of the Belchertown Public Schools to challenge and engage all students in a respectful, positive learning environment that fosters personal, social and academic growth in order to achieve success in a global society.

The Belchertown School Committee conducts its business in open session pursuant to Chapter 30A, Section 21 of the Massachusetts General Laws. The public is welcome to comment only on items on the agenda for this meeting as noted above. If you wish to address the School Committee regarding an item not on the agenda for this meeting, please contact the Superintendent of Schools at 413.323.0423 or via email at superintendent@belchertown.org to determine the best way to address your concerns (see [School Committee Policy BEDH](#)).