



**BELCHERTOWN PUBLIC SCHOOLS  
REGULAR SCHOOL COMMITTEE MEETING  
April 25, 2017**

**LOCATION:** Swift River Elementary School Library

**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:** Ms. Karol Coffin, Superintendent; 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, Ms. Jennifer Champagne, CHCS Principal; Mr. Thomas Ruscio, JBMS Principal

**BHS STUDENT ADVISORY COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVES:** Mr. Parker Mas

**VISITORS:**

**AGENDA**

Pledge of Allegiance

- I. Call to order
- II. For emergency issues only, School Committee members' additions to the agenda (with the consent of the majority)
- III. Public comment regarding items on the agenda
- IV. Special awards and presentations:  
  
Recognition of Louise Levy-Harvard Forest Schoolyard Eco Teacher Recognition
- V. Update from BHS Student Advisory Council representative – Mr. Parker Mas
- VI. Approval of minutes (A.I.)
  - A. April 11, 2017, Budget Hearing
  - B. April 11, 2017, Regular Session
- VII. Approval of Warrants and Budget Transfers (A.I.)
  - A. Accounts payable warrant: S/041817, 041817SA
  - B. Payroll warrant: W#2017

- VIII. Reports and recommendations of the Superintendent
  - A. Standards based report cards (Ms. Andrea Mastalerz & Mr. Robert Kuhn)
- IX. Personnel
  - A. Update as of April 25, 2017
- X. Unfinished business (A.I.)
  - A. Consideration of fee changes
  - B. FY 2018 Budget (if needed)
  - C. Revisit School Choice openings for 2017-2018 school year
- XI. New business
  - A. BHS Out-of-Country and Overnight Field Trip Request (A.I.)
  - B. 2017-2018 Bus Transportation Bid Recommendation (A.I)
  - C. JBMS locker room update (Mr. Robert Lachance)
- XII. Reports of subcommittees
  - A. Curriculum & Instruction (Dr. Knapp/Mr. Charron)
  - B. Personnel & Policy (Ms. Bogdanovich/Dr. Laughner)
  - C. Property & Transportation (Ms. Bogdanovich/Ms. French)
  - D. Finance & Budget Subcommittee (Dr. Laughner/Mr. Charron)
- XIII. 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)
- XIV. Correspondence
  - A. Agenda, April 25, 2017
  - B. April 11, 2017, Minutes
  - C. Accounts Payable and Payroll Warrants
  - D. Standards based report cards information
  - E. Personnel update
  - F. Fees information
  - G. BHS Out-of-Country and Overnight Field Trip Request
  - H. Bus transportation bid
- XV. Vote to enter into Executive Session under M.G.L. 30A, §21, Part 3 to discuss strategy with respect to Unit A, Teachers, Single Contract Employees, the Superintendent's contract extension and/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 return to open session.
- XVI. Adjourn

*The listings of matters are those reasonably anticipated by the Chair which may be discussed at the meeting. Not all items may in fact be discussed and other items not listed may also be brought up for discussion to the extent permitted by law.*

*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@belchertownps.org](mailto:superintendent@belchertownps.org) to determine the best way to address your concerns (see [School Committee Policy BEDH](#)).