



**BELCHERTOWN PUBLIC SCHOOLS  
REGULAR SCHOOL COMMITTEE MEETING  
April 29, 2014**

**LOCATION:** Chestnut Hill Community School Auditorium – PLEASE NOTE CHANGE OF LOCATION

**TIME:** 6:30 pm – PLEASE NOTE CHANGE OF TIME  
7:00 pm – PUBLIC HEARING ON THE PROPOSED FY2015 BPS BUDGET

**SCHOOL COMMITTEE MEMBERS:** Dr. Linda Tsoumas, Chair; Ms. Clare Popowich, Vice-Chair; Mr. Richard Fritsch, Secretary; Ms. Myndi Bogdanovich, Member; Dr. Michael Knapp, Member

**ADMINISTRATION:** Dr. Judith Houle, Superintendent of Schools; Mr. Brian Cameron, Assistant Superintendent for Teaching and Learning

**BHS STUDENT ADVISORY COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVES:** Michael DeBarge, Benjamin Stone, and Sienna Nielsen

**VISITORS:** Paul Silva, Chair, Belchertown Finance Committee

**AGENDA**

- I. Call to order
- II. Unfinished business
  - A. Review of the proposed FY 2015 budget with the School Committee, with revisions from the joint meeting with the Finance Committee and Selectmen on April 22, 2014
- III. Public comment regarding items on the agenda: 7:00 pm
  - A. Public presentation of the proposed FY 2015 budget and public hearing
- IV. Reports and recommendations of the Superintendent
  - A. Recommendation for approval of the FY 2015 budget
    1. All funds budget
    2. Local budget
- V. Approval of minutes
  - A. April 22, 2014
- VI. New business
  - A. Interim Superintendent

- VII. Correspondence
  - A. Agenda: April 29, 2014
  - B. Minutes: April 22, 2014
  - C. Proposed FY 2015 budget documents
  
- IX. Adjourn

*The mission of the Belchertown Public Schools is to ensure that every student meets with success every day. To that end, we pledge to ensure that we have rigorous, standards-based curriculum; instruction designed to meet the needs of diverse learners in every classroom; and access to the global learning community via state-of-the-art technology in schools that are communities of respect and civility for all.*

**2011-2015 Strategic Plan Goals (adopted by the Belchertown School Committee, 3/1/11):**

- Goal #1: To have guaranteed (standards-based and implemented by all), viable (doable and accessible to every student), seamless K-12 curriculum in every content area.
- Goal #2: To have rigorous (standards-based), relevant (grounded in 21<sup>st</sup> Century skills), differentiated instructional practices with the ability to access the global learning community via technology available to every learner.
- Goal #3: To implement a plan to ensure that our students understand the importance of acceptance, tolerance, and respect supported by all adults in the community.

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