



**BELCHERTOWN PUBLIC SCHOOLS  
REGULAR SCHOOL COMMITTEE MEETING  
June 10, 2014**

**LOCATION:** Swift River Elementary School Library

**TIME:** 7:00 pm

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

**ADMINISTRATION:** Dr. Judith Houle, Superintendent of Schools; Mr. Brian Cameron, Assistant Superintendent for Teaching and Learning; Dr. Robert Gazda, incoming Interim Superintendent; Mr. Edward Dunn, Contracted School Business Manager; Ms. Kristi Guzzo, Director of Student Support Services

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

**VISITORS:**

**AGENDA**

- I. Call to order
- II. Special awards and presentations
  - A. Great East Music Festival Awards
- III. Update from BHS Student Advisory Council representatives
- IV. Public comment regarding items on the agenda
- V. Approval of minutes
  - A. May 5, 2014
  - B. May 27, 2014
- VI. Reports and recommendations of the Superintendent
  - A. State testing for 2015: PARCC/MCAS
  - B. Review of Mid-Cycle Progress Reports: Coordinated Program Review
  - C. Appointment of School Attendance Officer for 2014-2015 school year
  - D. Memorandum of Agreement, Unit A, Teachers: Article 8, Section 8.09, paragraph A
  - E. Notification of intent to hire a Summer Intern for the Office of Information Technology per M.G.L. c. 71, §67
- VII. Reports of subcommittees/representative to Collaborative for Educational Services
  - A. Collaborative for Educational Services (Ms. Bogdanovich)

- B. Curriculum & Instruction (Dr. Knapp/Ms. French)
  - C. Healthy & Safer Schools Advisory Committee (Ms. Bogdanovich)
  - D. Jessica's Boundless Playground Committee (Ms. Popowich)
    - 1. Next meeting: June 18, 2014
  - E. Personnel & Policy (Ms. Popowich/Ms. Bogdanovich)
    - 1. Superintendent's Job Description
    - 2. Policy JIA, JIA-R, JIA-E
  - F. Property & Transportation (Dr. Knapp/Mr. Fritsch)
    - 1. Next meeting: July 22, 2014, 6:30 pm
  - G. Technology Advisory Committee (Mr. Fritsch)
    - 1. Report from June 4, 2014 meeting
- VIII. New business
- IX. Unfinished business
- A. MASC training
- X. Correspondence
- A. Agenda: June 10, 2014
  - B. Minutes: May 5, 2014 and May 27, 2014
  - C. Memorandum regarding PARCC and MCAS testing for 2015
  - D. Mid-Cycle Progress Report, Coordinated Program Review
  - E. Memorandum regarding the appointment of the School Attendance Officer for the 2014-2015 school year
  - F. Memorandum of Agreement: Unit A, Teachers, Article 8, Section 8.09, Paragraph A
  - G. Superintendent's Job Description
  - H. Policy JIA, JIA-R, JIA-E
- XI. Vote to enter into Executive Session under M.G.L., c. 30A, §21, Part (3), to discuss strategy with respect to collective bargaining with Unit A, Teachers, and Unit C, Custodians, as conducting said business in open session would have a detrimental effect on the School Committee's negotiating position. The Committee will return to open session

*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](#)).