

**BEVERLY SCHOOL COMMITTEE
BEVERLY, MASSACHUSETTS**

**REGULAR SCHOOL COMMITTEE MEETING
BEVERLY CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS @ BEVERLY CITY HALL
WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 13, 2006 @ 7:00 P.M.**

Agenda Items

1. *Call to Order*

2. *Pledge of Allegiance*

3. *Discussion of Education Topic*

The article for this month is a summary of remarks recently given by Paul Vallas, the CEO of the Philadelphia school system, regarding technology and its use in the Philadelphia district. You may recall an earlier discussion regarding a new high school in Philadelphia, where Microsoft helped build a high school of the future. The article can be found at <http://academicbiz.typepad.com/piloted/2006/11/index.html>.

4. *Open Forum for Citizen Concerns*

The President will consider requests to address the School Committee on items not included as part of the agenda at this time. Any person wishing to make such a request should check in with the School Committee Secretary prior to addressing the Committee.

5. *Opportunity for Citizen Input into Agenda-Related Items*

The President will consider requests to address the School Committee on items included as part of the agenda at this time. Any person wishing to make such a request should check in with the School Committee Secretary prior to addressing the Committee. *The person(s) will be called upon as the agenda item(s) are considered.*

6. *Approval of Meeting Records*

7. *Report from Student Representative to the School Committee*

8. *Communication from School Committee Members*

9. *City / School Consolidation Study Committee*

Maria Decker and Paul Manzo represent the School Committee on a joint study committee regarding city and school system consolidation opportunities. This group has come to an agreement on some preliminary steps to be taken prior to any possible consolidation. These steps, outlined in your packet, will provide better efficiencies and better controls for both the school and municipal finance/business offices regardless of whether or not we consolidate. Maria and Paul are prepared to discuss the report and a vote needs to be taken by the entire School Committee to endorse this report. The City Council will be voting on adoption of this same report later this month.

10. *Report from Superintendent Hayes*

Action Item:

- A. Overnight Field Trip – Germany
- B. Lyme Disease Prevention Research
- C. Evaluation of Clerical Employees

Informational Items:

- D. Overnight Field Trip – Great Britain
- E. Virginia Goding Memorial Auditorium
- F. Liaison to City's Finance and Property Subcommittee
- G. Naming of New Park

11. *Committee Reports*

A. Standing Committee on Finance & Facilities

Paul Manzo, Chairperson

1. The Standing Committee on Finance & Facilities recommends the creation of a new Math teacher Specialist position at the Briscoe Middle School at an estimated cost of \$28,000.

B. Standing Committee on Curriculum, Instruction, and Student Life

Annemarie Cesa, Chairperson

1. The Standing Committee on Curriculum, Instruction, and Student Life recommends the attached policy regarding "Drug Free Schools" (Section A: Foundations and Basic Commitments) for a second reading, which will require a formal (2/3) vote of approval by the School Committee.
2. The Standing Committee on Curriculum, Instruction, and Student Life recommends the attached policy regarding "Student Policies Goals" (Section J: Students) for a second reading, which will require a formal (2/3) vote of approval by the School Committee.
3. The Standing Committee on Curriculum, Instruction, and Student Life recommends the attached policy regarding "Equal Educational Opportunities" (Section J: Students) for a second reading, which will require a formal (2/3) vote of approval by the School Committee.
4. The Standing Committee on Curriculum, Instruction, and Student Life recommends the attached policy regarding "Children and Adolescents with HIV/AIDS in School Settings" (Section J: Students) for a first reading. The second reading, which will take place at our January meeting, will require a formal (2/3) vote of approval by the School Committee.
5. The Standing Committee on Curriculum, Instruction, and Student Life recommends the attached policy regarding "Staff Ethics" (Section G: Personnel) for a first reading. The second reading, which will take place at our January meeting, will require a formal (2/3) vote of approval by the School Committee.
6. The Standing Committee on Curriculum, Instruction, and Student Life recommends the attached policy regarding "Compensatory Private Tutoring" (Section G: Personnel) for a first reading. The second reading, which will take place at our January meeting, will require a formal majority vote of approval by the School Committee.

C. Policy Review Committee

Maria Decker, Chairperson

1. The Policy Review Committee recommends the attached policy regarding "School District Legal Status" (Section A: Foundations and Basic Commitments) for a first reading. The second reading, which will take place at our January meeting, will require a formal (2/3) vote of approval by the School Committee.
2. The Policy Review Committee recommends the attached policy regarding "The People and Their District" (Section A: Foundations and Basic Commitments) for a first reading. The second reading, which will take place at our January meeting, will require a formal (2/3) vote of approval by the School Committee.
3. The Policy Review Committee recommends the attached policy regarding "Recognition for Accomplishments" (Section A: Foundations and Basic Commitments) for a first reading. The second reading, which will take place at our January meeting, will require a formal (2/3) vote of approval by the School Committee.
4. The Policy Review Committee recommends the attached policy regarding "Regular School Committee Meetings" (Section B: School Committee Governance and Operations) for a first reading. The second reading, which will take place at our January meeting, will require a formal (2/3) vote of approval by the School Committee.
5. The Policy Review Committee recommends the attached policy regarding "Administrative Goals" (Section C: General School Administration) for a first reading. The second reading, which will take place at our January meeting, will require a formal (2/3) vote of approval by the School Committee.
6. The Policy Review Committee recommends the attached policy regarding "Superintendent of Schools" (Section C: General School Administration) for a first reading. The second reading, which will take place at our January meeting, will require a formal (2/3) vote of approval by the School Committee.
7. The Policy Review Committee recommends the attached policy regarding "School Department Administrative Organization" (Section C: General School Administration) for a first reading. The second reading, which will take place at our January meeting, will require a formal (2/3) vote of approval by the School Committee.

8. The Policy Review Committee recommends the attached policy regarding "Leadership Team and Administrative Cabinet" (Section C: General School Administration) for a first reading. The second reading, which will take place at our January meeting, will require a formal (2/3) vote of approval by the School Committee.
9. The Policy Review Committee recommends the attached policy regarding "School Building Administration" (Section C: General School Administration) for a first reading. The second reading, which will take place at our January meeting, will require a formal (2/3) vote of approval by the School Committee.
10. The Policy Review Committee recommends the attached policy regarding "Policy Implementation" (Section C: General School Administration) for a first reading. The second reading, which will take place at our January meeting, will require a formal (2/3) vote of approval by the School Committee.
11. The Policy Review Committee recommends the attached policy regarding "Communication of Policies and Procedures" (Section C: General School Administration) for a first reading. The second reading, which will take place at our January meeting, will require a formal (2/3) vote of approval by the School Committee.
12. The Policy Review Committee recommends the attached policy regarding "Administration in the Absence of Policy" (Section C: General School Administration) for a first reading. The second reading, which will take place at our January meeting, will require a formal (2/3) vote of approval by the School Committee.
13. The Policy Review Committee recommends the attached policy regarding "Temporary Administrative Arrangements" (Section C: General School Administration) for a first reading. The second reading, which will take place at our January meeting, will require a formal (2/3) vote of approval by the School Committee.

D. Committee of the Whole
Nancy Brusil, President

12. *New Business*

13. *Opportunity for Questions from the Press*

14. *Consider Executive Session*

The President requests an Executive Session to discuss strategy with respect to collective bargaining with union personnel and not to return to open session.

Nancy R. Brusil, President
Beverly School Committee

James J. Hayes, Ed.D.
Superintendent of Schools