

# MINUTES AUGUSTA BOARD OF EDUCATION

**August 10, 2011**

**Executive Session – 5:30 p.m.  
Cony Conference Room  
Regular Business Meeting - 7:00 p.m.  
Cony Auditorium**

<b>The following Board Members were present:</b>	
Chair:	Mr. William Burney
Board Members:	Members Willie Emerson, Katie Vose, Deborah Towle, Nancy Bernier, Kimberley Martin, Susan Campbell, Jane Dennison, Betty Jo Libby

<b>The following Board Members were absent:</b>	
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<b>Also absent were:</b>	
Student Representative	Nicole Liyange-Don

<b>Also present were:</b>	
Superintendent:	Cornelia L. Brown
Business Manager	Karla Miller
Brann & Isaccson	Counselor Peter Lowe
New England Secondary School Consortium	Mark Kostin Senior Associate

**5:30 PM**

**1) Call to Order.**

**A. Motion to approve entering into Executive Session pursuant to Statutory Citation 1 M.R.S.A. §405(6)(A) re: Personnel:**

Motion: Move to approve entering into Executive Session pursuant to Statutory Citation 1 M.R.S.A. §405(6)(A).	Motion: Jane Dennison Second: Susan Campbell Yeas: Nays: Vote: Motion Passed/Failed: 8 to 0 Time: 5:38 p.m.
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**B. Motion to approve exiting from Executive Session pursuant to Statutory Citation 1 M.R.S.A. §405(6)(A):**

Motion: Move to approve exiting from Executive Session pursuant to Statutory Citation 1 M.R.S.A. §405(6)(A).	Motion: Jane Dennison Second: Deborah Towle Yeas: Nays: Vote: Motion Passed/Failed: 8 to 0 Time: 6:17 p.m.
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2) **Opening:**

3) **Call to Order:**

4) **Pledge of Allegiance:**

5) **Presentations:**

- A. Dr. Mark Kostin, Senior Associate, New England Secondary School Consortium: League of Innovative Schools.

6) **Approval of Minutes:**

- A. **Motion to approve the Minutes of the Business Meeting of July 13, 2011:**

Move to accept Minutes of the Business Meeting of July 13, 2011.	Motion: Susan Campbell Second: Jane Dennison Yeas: Nays: Vote: Motion Passed/Failed: 8 to 0
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7) **Communications:**

- A. Augusta Food Bank re: *United Way of Kennebec Valley Day of Caring*

8) **Resignations and Retirements:**

A. **Resignations:**

- Barbara Nichols – Director of School Nutrition Programs
- Bonnie L. Nielson – Gifted and Talented Teacher
- Joanna Higgins – 4<sup>th</sup> Grade Teacher – Gilbert Elementary

B. **Retirements:**

9) **Recognitions:**

- A. Carolyn Neighoff: Recognized for her work with the Bread of Life Ministries.

10) **Student Council Report:** None.

11) **Informational Items:**

**12) Committee Reports:**

- A. **Finance Committee Report:** Mrs. Dennison
  - 1. Finance Committee Meeting Minutes – August 1, 2011.
  - 2. Business Manager’s Report:
  
- B. **Curriculum & Education Committee Report:** Mrs. Libby
  - 1. Curriculum & Education Committee Meeting Minutes – August 1, 2011.
  - 2. Curriculum Coordinator’s Report:
  
- C. **Personnel Committee Report:** Mrs. Campbell
  - 1. Personnel Committee Meeting Minutes – August 1, 2011.
  
- D. **Policy Committee Report:** Mr. Emerson
  - 1. Policy Committee Report – No meeting July 13, 2011

**13) Consent Items:** *(All matters listed under this item will be considered routine and will be enacted by one motion. A Board Member may ask to have an item(s) removed and considered individually.)*

- 1. Justin Crummett – CATC Electrical Technology Instructor
  
- 2. Bernice Stanley – Hussey Music Teacher
  
- 3. Rachel A. Ventrella – Fourth Grade Teacher – Gilbert

**Motion to approve the Consent Agenda as presented:**

Move to approve the Consent Agenda as presented.	Motion: Jane Dennison Second: Willie Emerson Yeas: Nays: Vote: Motion Passed/Failed: 8 to 0
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**14) Public Comment on Non-Personnel Agenda Items:**

**15) Unfinished Business:**

A. **Motion to adopt new Policy BEDB: Agenda:**

Move to adopt new Policy BEDB: Agenda.	Motion: Willie Emerson Second: Susan Campbell Yeas: Nays: Vote: Motion Passed/Failed: 8 to 0
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**B. Motion to adopt new Policy BEDC: Quorum:**

Move to adopt new Policy BEDC: Quorum.	Motion: Jane Dennison Second: Susan Campbell Yeas: Nays: Vote: Motion Passed/Failed: 8 to 0
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**C. Motion to adopt new Policy BEDD: Rules of Order:**

Move to adopt new Policy BEDD: Rules of Order:	Motion: Susan Campbell Second: Jane Dennison Yeas: Nays: Vote: Motion Passed/Failed: 8 to 0
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**D. Motion to adopt new Policy BEDF: Voting Method:**

Move to adopt new Policy BEDF: Voting Method.	Motion: Jane Dennison Second: Susan Campbell Yeas: Nays: Vote: Motion Passed/Failed: 8 to 0
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**16) New Business:**

**A. NCLB: Public School Choice** – The Board discussed the NCLB Parent Public School Choice.

**B. Motion to approve changing the Elementary Assistant Principal position at Farrington Elementary School to a Dean of Students:**

Move to approve changing the Elementary Assistant Principal position at Farrington Elementary School to a Dean of Students.	Motion: Susan Campbell Second: Jane Dennison Yeas: Nays: Vote: Motion Passed/Failed: 8 to 0
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**C. Motion to approve an increase of paid meal prices for students as follows: Pre-K through grade 6 from \$1.75 to \$1.80 and grades 7 through 12 from \$2.00 to \$2.05:**

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**D. Motion to accept the Qualified School Construction Bond in the amount of \$355,980 for the November 2011 ballot:**

Move to accept the Qualified School Construction Bond in the amount of \$355,980 for the November 2011 ballot.	Motion: Susan Campbell Second: Jane Dennison Yeas: Nays: Vote: Motion Passed/Failed: 8 to 0
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**E. Motion to approve the transfer of \$153,000 from the FY 11 Regular Instruction Category to the Transportation Category:**

Move to approve the transfer of \$153,000 from the FY 11 Regular Instruction Category to the Transportation Category.	Motion: Susan Campbell Second: Jane Dennison Yeas: Nays: Vote: Motion Passed/Failed: 8 to 0
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**F. Motion to approve the transfer of \$68,000 from the FY 11 Regular Instruction Category to the Operations and Maintenance Category:**

Move to approve the transfer of \$68,000 from the FY 11 Regular Instruction Category to the Operations and Maintenance Category.	Motion: Susan Campbell Second: Jane Dennison Yeas: Nays: Vote: Motion Passed/Failed: 8 to 0
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**G. Superintendent's Report:**

**H. Reports from Other School Officials:**

**I. Audience Recognition for Non-Agenda Items:**

**J. Adjourn:**

**A. Motion to Adjourn:**

Move to Adjourn.	Motion: Jane Dennison Second: Susan Campbell Yeas: Nays: Vote: Motion Passed/Failed 8 to 0 Time: 9:05 p.m.
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**Next Special Meeting of the  
Augusta Board of Education  
7:00 p.m., August 24, 2011  
CENTRAL OFFICE CONFERENCE ROOM**