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Southern Berkshire Regional School District

SCHOOL COMMITTEE MEETING #1,569 – AMENDED

Date:

Thursday, September 12, 2019

Time:

6:15 p.m. *Please note time change*

Location:

Mt. Everett Library, 491 Berkshire School Rd, Sheffield, MA 01257

Agenda

All interested members of the public are invited to attend.

[The listing of matters is those reasonably anticipated by the Chairman which may be discussed at the meeting. Not all items listed may in fact be discussed and other items not listed may also be brought up for discussion to the extent permitted by law.]

1. Call to Order

2. Executive Session:

a. Motion to enter executive session pursuant to M.G.L.c.30A sec 21(a) (3) ("Purpose 3") to discuss strategy with respect to collective bargaining when an open meeting may have a detrimental effect on the litigating position of the public body and to reconvene in open session. Roll Call Vote.

3. Standing Reports

- a. Approval of School Committee Minutes #1568 of August 22, 2019
- b. Enrollment
- c. Miscellaneous Correspondence
- 4. Student Representative Report
- 5. Student Spotlight
- 6. Public Comment
- 7. New Business
 - a. Approval of Lateral Movements on the Unit A Salary Schedule, Effective September 1, 2018
 - b. Approval of Memorandum of Understanding, Unit A, Stipends Vote Required
 - c. Appoint a representative from TMSolution, Inc. to Berkshire Health Group (to replace Christine Regan). Vote required.

8. Unfinished Business

- a. Parent/Student Handbook 2019-2020 Approval
- b. Staff Handbook 2019-2020 Approval
- 9. Business with District Member Towns

10. Subcommittee Reports

a. SBRSD SBEF - Dennis Sears

b. Policy Subcommittee – Dennis Sears

Second Reading:

BBCA – District Employment of SCM

BEDG - Minutes

BGB – Policy Adoption

- c. Negotiation Subcommittee Bonnie Silvers
- 11. Chairman's Report
- 12. Superintendent's Report
- 13. Curriculum & Professional Development Coordinator's Report
- 14. Director of Student Services Report
- 15. Business Manager's Report
 - a. Approval of Warrants: August 23, 2019 and September 6, 2019
 - b. Vote to Accept Grants and Gifts
 - c. Budget Transfers
- 16. Future Agenda Items
- 17. Executive Session
 - a. Motion to enter executive session pursuant to M.G.L.c.30A sec 21(a) (3) ("Purpose 3") to discuss strategy with respect to litigation when an open meeting may have a detrimental effect on the litigating position of the public body and not to reconvene in open session. Roll Call Vote.
 - b. Motion to enter executive session pursuant to M.G.L.c.30A sec 21(a) (5) ("Purpose 5") to investigate charges of criminal misconduct or to consider the filing of criminal complaints and not to reconvene in open session. Roll Call Vote.

Next School Committee Meetings:

October 3, 2019	October 24, 2019	November 14, 2019	December 19, 2019	
January 9, 2020	January 30, 2020	February 13, 2020	March 5, 2020	
March 12, 2020	April 2, 2020	April 30, 2020	May 21, 2020	June 18, 2020

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Southern Berkshire Regional School District Mt. Everett Library, 491 Berkshire School Rd, Sheffield, MA 01257 August 22, 2019 Minutes of Meeting #1568

School Committee: Jeffrey Blaugrund, Jane Burke, Dennis Sears, Bonnie Silvers, Jon Bruno, Danile Kelly, Maryellen Brown (arrived at 5:53 p.m.)

David Travis participated via remote participation.

Absent: Marcella Bush, Art Batacchi

Administrators: Superintendent Regulbuto, Peter Dufresne, Sandra Hubbard, Charles Miller, Jesse Carpenter

Press: CTSB TV; Evan Triantafilidis, Berkshire Record; Terry Cowgill, Berkshire Edge

Others: George McGurn, Chris Tucci, Alana Steinhouser, Everett Lamm,

1. Call to Order:

Jane Burk, Chair, called meeting #1568 to order at 5:00 p.m.

2. Standing Reports

a. Approval of School Committee Minutes #1566 of June 27, 2019 Motion to approve the School Committee Minutes of meeting #1566 of June 27, 2019

By: Dennis Sears

Second: Jeff Blaugrund

Discussion: Bonnie Silvers stated that she had abstained on the motion for the approval of the Superintendent's evaluation. She would like the minutes amended to reflect this. Roll Call Vote: David Travis – Yes; Jeffrey Blaugrund – Yes; Jane Burke – Yes; Dennis Sears – Yes; Bonnie Silvers – Yes (with amendment); Jon Bruno – Yes; Danile Kelly – Yes Maryellen Brown stated that the minutes of June 27, 2019 incorrectly reported that she was absent and would like them amended to report that she was present.

b. Motion to approve the School Committee Minutes of meeting #1567 of July 17, 2019

By: Dennis Sears

Second: Bonnie Silvers

Discussion: None

Roll Call Vote: David Travis – Yes; Jeffrey Blaugrund – Yes; Jane Burke – Yes; Dennis Sears –

Yes; Bonnie Silvers – Yes; Jon Bruno – Yes; Danile Kelly – Yes

- c. Enrollment As of August 1, 2019 enrollment at SBRSD is at 672.
- d. Letter from the Town of Alford dated August 19, 2019 in response to the letter from BHRSD regarding school consolidation (received after the agenda was generated).

3. Student Representative Report – None

- 4. Student Spotlight None
- 5. Public Comment None

6. New Business

a. Approval of the National FFA Convention Field Trip to Indianapolis, IN (October 29-November 3, 2019).

Motion to approve the National FFA Convention Field Trip to Indianapolis, IN

By: Bonnie Silvers Second; Dennis Sears

Discussion: Jesse Carpenter reported that for the last couple of years the FFA students have been attending the FFA Convention in Indianapolis. Tanya Michaud the new Biology teacher will be taking over the FFA.

Roll Call Vote: David Travis – Yes; Jeffrey Blaugrund – Yes; Jane Burke – Yes; Dennis Sears – Yes; Bonnie Silvers – Yes; Jon Bruno – Yes; Danile Kelly – Yes

b. DESE approval of the Amendment to Section 4 of the Regional Agreement – Apportionment of Costs.

Motion to accept the approval of the Amendment to section 4 of the Regional Agreement

By: Jeffrey Blaugrund

Second: Jonathan Bruno

Roll Call Vote: David Travis - Yes; Jeffrey Blaugrund - Yes; Jane Burke - Yes; Dennis Sears -

Yes; Bonnie Silvers – Yes; Jon Bruno – Yes; Danile Kelly – Yes

c. Coordinated Care Clinic Presentation

Chris Tucci from the Railroad Street Project, Alana Steinhouser from VIM and Everett Lamm, MD from CHP all gave a brief presentation on the importance of having a mobile health unit at the SBRSD campus. Currently there is a site at Railroad Street and Monument Mountain. The trend is to bring the different agencies together under coordinated care. They were asking the school board for approval to bring the mobile unit to the SBRSD campus during the school day. This mobile unit will provide free services to teens with no cost to the parents. On the van will be a nurse which will be funded through a grant and partially through CHP, a care coordinator funded through Railroad Street and volunteers. They are hoping that students will utilize these services and address issues of depression. They are requesting that each school district contribute a percentage of funding for the care coordinator on the van which will be \$12,000 a year for running the van at the school, to ensure that the program is completely free for the students.

Motion to move forward in planning the Coordinated Care Clinic and charge the Superintendent and her team to work out the details.

By: Jonathan Bruno

Second: Bonnie Silvers

Roll Call Vote: David Travis – Yes; Jeffrey Blaugrund – Yes; Jane Burke – Yes; Dennis Sears – Yes; Bonnie Silvers – Yes; Jon Bruno – Yes; Danile Kelly – Yes

- d. Parent/Student Handbook 2019-2020 Approval
- e. Staff Handbook 2019-2020 Approval

Motion to move item 6d and 6e to after item #14.

By: Dennis Sears

Second: Bonnie Silvers

Roll Call Vote: David Travis – Yes; Jeffrey Blaugrund – Yes; Jane Burke – Yes; Dennis Sears –

Yes; Bonnie Silvers – Yes; Jon Bruno – Yes; Danile Kelly – Yes

7. Unfinished Business - None

8. Business with District Member Towns

a. Status of South Egremont School

Superintendent Regulbuto reported that a temporary CO has been issued for the South Egremont School. The last item to be checked is the fire alarm hooked up to the phone and will be completed tomorrow.

The painting of the outside of the building will be completed to the level of remediation before school opens (scrapped and primed). The rest of the painting will be completed after school begins. Mr. McGurn, Egremont Select Board member, gave an update of the ADA work done to the building. Basically the ramp has been built but the railing has to be shortened. This will be completed shortly and a temporary CO has been issued with a snow fence around the ramp.

The committee commended Jeremy Wells for all his hard work.

b, c, d, e – Letters from the Towns of Sheffield, New Marlborough, Egremont and Monterey regarding discussion of school consolidation between BHRSD and SBRSD.

9. Subcommittee Reports

a. SBRSD SBEF - Dennis Sears

Motion that the SBRSD School Committee endorses necessary actions toward initializing discussion with BHRSD towards the creation of a consolidated PreK-12 Regional School District.

By: Bonnie Silvers

Second: Jonathan Bruno

Discussion ensued.

Roll Call Vote: David Travis – Yes; Jeffrey Blaugrund – Yes; Jane Burke – Yes; Dennis Sears – Yes; Bonnie Silvers – Yes; Jon Bruno – Yes; Danile Kelly – Yes; Maryellen Brown - Abstain

b. Policy Subcommittee – D. Sears

Dennis Sears reported that the following policies were presented for first reading.

BBCA – District Employment of SCM

BEDG – Minutes

BGB - Policy Adoption

10. Chairman's Report - None

11. Superintendent's Report

Superintendent Regulbuto reported the following new faculty:

•	Secondary Principal	Jesse Carpenter
•	Business Administrator	TMSolutions, Inc.
•	Grade 5 Elementary Teacher	Carla Whiteside
•	Grades 5-8 English/Language Arts	Christine McEvoy
•	Grades 5-8 English/Language Arts	Julia Barros
•	Grades 5-8 Social Studies	Peter Bys
•	.8 Biology, .2 Agriculture	Tanya Michaud
•	SAC from .5 to 1.0	Vincent Szymanski
•	Learning Behavior/Sped Teacher	Elyse Mercier
•	Part Time Nurse	Sheri Knox
•	Secondary Assistant Principal	Douglas Daponde
•	1:1 ESP	Jacqulyn Schultz
•	Night Custodian	James Cook

• New staff orientation was held today, organized by Neal Barbieri.

- She also thanked Jeremy Wells and his staff for getting all of our facilities ready for the opening of school.
- Convocation is on Monday, August 26th at 8 a.m.
- School Committee Retreat will be held on Tuesday, September 17th.
- Middle School Open House for Grade 6 is on Monday, August 26th at 5:30 p.m.
- The District Events Calendar will be populated on an ongoing basis.

12. Curriculum & Professional Development Coordinator's Report - Attached

Mr. Dufresne reported that faculty have been working on curriculum writing and aligning the curriculum. Mr. Barrett and Mr. Wolgemuth have worked together to link ELA and Social studies courses in a more coherent manner for our students.

A yearlong professional development plan with a heavy focus on social-emotional learning is being developed. DESE has not yet put out scaled MCAS scores, only raw scores, but without the modifier needed to make sense of the data. Textbooks, consumable materials and educational software have been completed.

13. Director of Student Services Report - Attached

Sandi Hubbard reported that the summer programs went very well. The department has a few new staff joining this year, Sheri Knox, part time nurse at NMC. Trish Zucco will start her full time role as the district SRO. Jacki Schultz will begin as an ESP and Elyse Mercier will begin as the new Sped/Learning Behavior teacher.

Ms. Hubbard also reported that in looking at enrollment numbers for the EK program at UME they were considering opening the program to students who turn 5 between March 1st and April 1st, 2020. Families with eligible children will be contacted and the EK screening/enrollment process would be applicable. Ms. Hubbard is seeking school committee support of this change.

Motion to authorize the district to extend the enrollment date of EK students to April 1, 2020 for the 2019-2020 school year.

By: Jonathan Bruno

Second: Danile Kelly

Roll Call Vote: David Travis – Yes; Jeffrey Blaugrund – Yes; Jane Burke – Yes; Dennis Sears – Yes; Bonnie Silvers – Yes; Jon Bruno – Yes; Danile Kelly – Yes; Maryellen Brown – Yes

Ms. Hubbard also reported on the immunization process in our District and the Immunization Exemption Form based on changes to the law. Currently the school nurses/school physician are working together to ensure that information is provide to families that clearly outlines the requirements and risks.

14. Business Manager's Report

a. Report on Student Activity Funds Review and Schedule of Findings
TMSolutions, Inc., Judy House, reported on the Student Activity Fund Audit report submitted by
Christine Regan. Findings are that we are not in compliance of school committee policies in some
areas and these need to be addressed.

b. Approval of Warrants

Motion to approve the warrants of July 26, 2019, July 29, 2019 and August 9, 2019.

By: Jonathan Bruno

Second: Jeffrey Blaugrund

Roll Call Vote: David Travis – Yes; Jeffrey Blaugrund – Yes; Jane Burke – Yes; Dennis Sears – Yes; Bonnie Silvers – Yes; Jon Bruno – Yes; Danile Kelly – Yes; Maryellen Brown - Yes

c. Vote to accept Grants and Gifts – nothing to report at this time.

Presented a FY19-20 Revenue Comparision of the Cherry Sheets. The total increase to revenue is \$48,791. The school choice numbers will be looked at again in December.

Also presented were the Federal Entitlement Grants received for FY20.

 Title I
 \$181,060

 Title IIA
 \$26,732

 Title IV
 \$13,118

 IDEA Sped
 \$320,869

 Early Childhood Special Ed
 \$7,710

 Perkins
 \$9,932

Chris reported that they are looking at the budget and rebuilding the budget sheets.

d. Budget Transfers – None at this time.

6. Approval of Handbooks

- e. Parent/Student Handbook 2019-2020 Approval
- f. Staff Handbook 2019-2020 Approval

Jane Burke asked that the members review the handbooks. Superintendent Regulbuto stated that the Parent/Student Handbook went through significant changes last year so there are minimal changes this year. The Staff Handbook has been completely redone. Mr. Dufresne also reported that the handbook committee had met last year and made suggestions of changes which were incorporated into the Staff handbook. The Staff Handbook has also been reviewed by our attorneys.

15. Future Agenda Items

Approval of Staff Handbooks and Student/Parent Handbooks

16. Adjourn

Motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:55 p.m.

By: Jonathan Bruno

Second: Jeffrey Blaugrund

Roll Call Vote: David Travis – Yes; Jeffrey Blaugrund – Yes; Jane Burke – Yes; Dennis Sears – Yes; Bonnie Silvers – Yes; Jon Bruno – Yes; Danile Kelly – Yes; Maryellen Brown - Yes

3b.

As of	8/1/2019	8/1/2019 9/1/2019	10/1/2019	610	11/1/2019	12/1/2019	1/2/2020	2/1/2020	3/1/2020	4/1/2020	5/1/2020	######
Undermountain												
Pre-K	24	24										
Early K	111	13	2									
Kindergarten	28	29	1									
Grade 1	29	30	1									
Grade 2	28	59	1									
Grade 3	37	38	1									
Grade 4	40	42	2									
Grade 5	46	45	-									
Total UME	243	250	7									
New Marlborough												
Pre K	111	11										
Early K	4	9	2									
Kindergarten	10	11	1									
Grade 1	16	91										
Grade 2	4	5	1									
Grade 3	16	17	1									
Grade 4	10	12	2									
Total NMC	71	78	7									
S. Egremont												
Early K												
Kindergarten	11	6	-2									
Total S.Egremont	11	6	-2									
Total Elementary	325	337	12									
Mt Everett												
Grade 6	42	40	-2									
Grade 7	51	55	4									
Grade 8	40	41	1									
Grade 9	56	99										
Grade 10	53	50	-3									
Grade 11	50	50										
Grade 12	55	57	2									
Total MSHS	347	349	2									
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Southern Berkshire Regional School District

Lateral Moves on the Unit A Salary Schedule, effective September 1, 2019

Teacher	From	То
Kimberly Conant	М	M9
Robert Giumarro	M9	M18
Sofia Hughes	M30	M42
Sarah Johnston	М	M18
Kelly MacDonald	M30	M42

THE SOUTHERN BERKSHIRE REGIONAL SCHOOL COMMITTEE AND THE SOUTHERN BERKSHIRE REGIONAL EDUCATION ASSOCIATION, UNIT A (TEACHERS)

MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT

This **MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT** is entered into by and between the Southern Berkshire Regional School District School Committee ("the School Committee") and the Southern Berkshire Regional Education Association, Unit A ("the Association") on the dates set forth below.

WHEREAS, the School Committee and the Association are parties to a Collective Bargaining Agreement that is effective from September 1, 2018 to August 31, 2021 ("the CBA"); and,

WHEREAS, the Committee and the Association have agreed to the payment of certain Non-Coaching Extra Duty Differentials to unit members which are appended to the Parties' CBA at Appendix B; and,

WHEREAS, the Parties' bargaining representatives have met and negotiated in good faith over changes to the stipends set forth at Appendix B of the CBA; and,

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of mutual promises and covenants, the Parties hereto agree as follows:

- 1. Effective September 1, 2019, Appendix B of the CBA is amended as follows:
 - The SLPA Supervisor stipend currently at \$900.00 is increased to \$3250.00;
 - A new Culinary Arts extra duty position is created with an annual stipend of \$2,000.00;
 - The Building Leader: Grades 7-8 stipend is eliminated;
 - A Grade 6 Team Leader extra duty position is created with an annual stipend of \$643.00;
 - A Grade 7 Team Leader extra duty position is created with an annual stipend of \$643.00;
 - A Grade 8 Team Leader extra duty position is created with an annual stipend of \$643.00;
 - The Curriculum Leader: 7-12 Special Education and the 7-12 Special Education Team Chair stipends are eliminated; and,
 - A Special Education ETL (Education Team Leader) extra duty position is created with an annual stipend of \$5,355.00.

2. The changes set forth above will be incorporated into the CBA.

WHEREFORE, the Parties have caused this MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT to be executed by their duly-authorized representatives.

For the Southern Berkshire Regional School Committee:	For the Southern Berkshire Regional Education Association, Unit A:
By:	
Jane Burke, Chair	Patrick Barrett, President
Duly Authorized	Duly Authorized
Dated:	Dated:

FILE: BBCA

SOUTHERN BERKSHIRE REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

DISTRICT EMPLOYMENT OF SCHOOL COMMITTEE MEMBERS

A member of the School Committee is ineligible for employment by the Southern Berkshire Regional School District during his or her tenure on the Committee. The individual may be considered for employment one year (12 months) after having rotated off the Committee. In extenuating circumstances, the Superintendent may request that the School Committee consider an exception to this policy. "SBRSD employee", is by definition, someone in a position defined in the annual budget.

Policy Subcommittee Meeting August 7, 2019

Passed for first reading 8/22/2019

File: BEDG

SOUTHERN BERKSHIRE REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

MINUTES

The minutes of a School Committee meeting constitute the written record of Committee actions; they are legal evidence of what the action was. Therefore, the secretary of the School Committee or his/her designee will be responsible for reporting in the minutes all actions taken by the Committee.

Minutes will include:

- 1. A statement on the nature of the meeting (regular or special), the time, the place, and the approval of the last regular and each subsequent special meeting.
- 2. Names of the members present or absent, annotated as to arrival and departure times, if during the meeting.
- 3. A complete record of official actions taken by the Committee relative to the Superintendent's recommendations, to communications, and to all business transacted. Resolutions and motions will be given in their exact wording, accompanied by the names of members moving and seconding and a record of the results of the vote. Reports and documents relating to a formal motion may be omitted if they are referred to and identified by title and date.
- 4. Notation of formal adjournment.

Copies of the minutes will be sent to all Committee members at least 48 hours in advance of the meeting at which the minutes are to be approved.

The approved minutes will become permanent records of the Committee. Minutes of public meetings and minutes of executive sessions that have been declassified will be in the custody of the Superintendent who will make them available to interested citizens upon request.

LEGAL REFS.: M.G.L. 30/\22; 66:10MGL

CROSS REF.: KDB, Public's Right to Know

Policy Subcommittee Meeting August 7, 2019: Requests minutes be sent out as prescribed in policy.

FILE: BGB

SOUTHERN BERKSHIRE REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

POLICY ADOPTION

Adoption of new policies or changing existing policies is solely the responsibility of the School Committee. Policies will be adopted and/or amended only by the affirmative vote of a majority of the members of the School Committee when such action has been scheduled on the agenda of a regular or special meeting.

To permit time for study of all policies or amendments to policies and to provide an opportunity for interested parties to react, proposed policies or amendments will be presented as an agenda item to the Committee in the following two meeting sequence:

- 1. Meeting 1: Proposed New or Revised Policy will be distributed with agenda or during the meeting. If required for a "Revised Policy" with major changes, the current Policy will also be distributed. While questions on background or clarity may take place at this meeting, no changes or discussions of revisions to the New or Revised Policy will be made in Meeting 1.
- 2. Meeting 2: Reading of the proposed policy or policies will be followed by: response from Superintendent; report from any advisory Committee assigned responsibility in the area; Committee discussion and directions for any redrafting. Amendments to the policy at the action stage will not require repetition of the sequence, unless the Committee so directs. After conclusion of discussion action will be taken by the Committee for adoption or rejection.
- 3. Enactment: Policies will be enacted effective the day after passage by the School Committee unless MGL or the Committee specifies a date.

The School Committee may dispense with the above sequence to meet emergency conditions.

Southern Berkshire Regional School District Curriculum Report

9.12.19

STRATEGIC

Mr. Carpenter, Mr. Daponde, Ms. Conant, Ms. Estes-Daub and I participated in a conference call with DESE regarding the change over to the Next Generation MCAS scores. We are planning now to ensure our students in their junior and sophomore year will be judged appropriately with respect to earning a competency determination. In October I will give the committee a full presentation on the MCAS determinations as the state looks to turn over completely to a new Next Generation MCAS.

Mr. Miller, Dr. Lyn, and I met recently to work on an implementation plan for our Social-Emotional Learning at the elementary school. We are fortunate to have Dr. Lyn as a member of our administrative team. She has an earned doctorate in Social-Emotional Learning and is currently an adjunct professor in the subject.

OPERATIONAL

Thus far this school year has opened smoothly. The schedule at Mt. Everett looks like it is a success. Students are enrolling in our cooperative course work with Bard College and the anecdotal feedback, thus far, is terrific.

I was able to visit South Egremont School and Ms. Cooke and Ms. Drumm are working diligently with our students. The class was happy and active in many different learning activities. I am looking forward to working with them to support.

Currently our Go Math materials look to finally be in house fully. I have had some of my most difficult conversations with a vendor this past week ever. There was a situation with our former representative who is no longer with the company. Our new representative has been working hard to get up to speed. We will be ordering for SY 20-21 this November in order to avoid issues for next school year.

SOUTHERN BERKSHIRE REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT



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OFFICE OF STUDENT SERVICES Sandra Hubbard - Director

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September 10, 2019

To: Superintendent Regulbuto, School Committee Members, and the SBRSD School Community

From: Sandi Hubbard, Director of Student Services

Re: September 12 Director's Report for School Committee Meeting

Hello!

The school year is off to a good start and everything is in full swing! So great to see all of our students and staff!

The health services staff met on August 28th and updated our Immunization Exemption Form and process based on changes to the law, which states that parents/guardians must update the letters and reasons for exemption, which must be medical or religious, annually. While the changes to the form were minor, it was a great opportunity to discuss our practices. Thank you to our nurses and Dr. Sylvia for a very detailed discussion on the best way to communicate the required documentation and risks to our families.

I am pleased to introduce two new programs, developed to meet the needs of students in our district. At the elementary level, we have the LEAP program (Language Based Educational Access Program), designed to help students with language acquisition, development, and communication. At the secondary level, we have the PACE program (Program for Academic and Community Engagement), which supports middle and high school students in and out of the classroom setting and allows for community access and school to career experiences. Much work was done this summer and continues, so that programs can be expanded to address student IEP and transition goals. We look forward to sharing more about the programs in the near future.

Our first SEPAC (Special Education Parent Advisory Council) meeting of the 2019-20 school year will be held on September 23rd at 4:30pm in the Eagles' Loft. This meeting will focus on a review of Parents' Rights and an overview of our programs. Childcare and dinner will be provided. Please stop by if you are able!

Thank you for your continued support of our students, families, staff, and programs!

Respectfully submitted,

Sandi



FY20 WARRANTS SIGNED

August23 & September 6, 2019

Submitted by The Management Solution, Inc.



Fall 2019Hiking Itinerary

Three Day Hike Schedule

Hiking from North to South!

9/29/19 Cheshire Harbor Trail to Mark Noepel Shelter New Ashford 6.4

9/30/19 Mark Noepel Shelter to the Crystal Mountain Campsite Dalton 9.0

10/1/19 Crystal Mountain Campsite to Grange Hall Road Dalton 7.4

Total miles 22.8

Three Day Hike Schedule

Hiking from North to South!

10/20/19 Grange Hall Road to October Mountain Shelter Washington 9.3

10/21/19 October Mountain Shelter to Upper Goose Pond Cabin Lee 8.8 + (.5)

10/22/19 Upper Goose Pond Cabin to Tyringham Main Road 7.0

Total miles 25.1

One Day Overnight Hike Schedule

Hiking from North to South

12/8/19 Jerusalem Road Tyringham to Mount Wilcox South Shelter 9.0

12/9/19 Mount Wilcox South Shelter to Route 23 Monterey 3.3

Total Miles 12.3



Southern Berkshire Regional School District

OVERNIGHT FIELD TRIP

Teacher in Charge:	Patrick Barrett	Principal: Jesse Carpenter
Trip Location: Che	shire Harbor Trail to Grange Hall Road Dalton	Grade Level of Students: 11-12
Depa	rture Date: 9/29/2019	Departure Time: 9:00 A.M.
Retur	n Date: 10/1/2019	Return Time: 2:00 P.M.
Purpose of Trip: X X	Approach to a unit of work Enrichment experience related to cu Culminating activity to a unit Research for unit Enhancement of student learning in Athletic event	fine arts, world language
Objectives of Trip:		e lessons taught during instructional
classroom time.	They will effectively prepare, part	ticipate and successfully complete
the overnight hik	e portion of this class experience.	
	(Provide specific description of objurning be assessed? Students will be articipation and observation of ski	assessed through the use of
Class.	•	3
Description of Itiner	ary: Day 1 Hike Cheshire Harbor	to Mark Noepel Shelter 6.6 miles
Day 2 Hike from	Mark Noepel Shelter to the Cryst	al Mountain Campsite 9.0 miles
Day 3 Hike from	Crystal Mountain Campsite to Gr	ange Hall Road 7.4
Overnight accommo	dations:	
Facility: S	nelter and campsite	Phone # 413-429-1375
A-1 3000	ppalachian Trail	

SOUTHERN BERKSHIRE REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT FIELD TRIP PERMISSION FORM

Transportation	School Van	
Meal Plan: S	Students will provide their own food to cook	during the
hikes.		
Funding Source	No money required	
Overnight trip	s are asked to provide 1 chaperone for every 6 students.	
	Names & phone #'s of chaperones:	CORI
	Michelle Raszl 917-767-0389	X
	Patrick Barrett 413-429-1375	
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	(Attach additional sheet of paper, if necessary)	
Emergency Co	ontact (SBRSD Administrator): Jesse Carpenter	
(Parents' name	es and phone numbers are to be provided to the emergency contact to be	e used in case of an
Number of stu	idents attending: 5	
Names of stud	lent participants (listing to be attached to this slip)	
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Principal's Ap	pproval: Da	te: 9/11/19
Superintenden	nt's approval: Da	te: <u>9////9</u>
Nurse's Appro	oval Jeanne Moran RN BSN 9	<u>-/</u> /-/9 Date:
School Comm	nittee approval date:	
Comments:		

MOUNT EVERETT OVERNIGHT FIELD TRIP PERMISSION SLIP

Date of Field Trip	9/29/	2019	Destination Ches	hire Harbor Trail to	Grange Hall	Road Dalton
Address/Phone #	413-4	29-1375				
Sponsor of Field T	rip					
Department/Class/	Group	Hiking Lead	lership & The Env	ironment		
Method of transpor	rtation	School Van		Cos	t of trip	0
Time of departure		A.M.			2:00 P	.M.
Upon arrival stude			Take buses home	e		
Overnight field trip	s requir	e a phone tree.	If trip is to arrive much b	pefore or afte	r estima	ted time,
WSBS will be con	tacted to	announce the ne	ew arrival time and phone	e tree will be	activate	d
I am aware of the o	And Coloured Burnings	-746-1 - 150-62	nent's class	•	9/29 - 10	0/1/2019
Date			Paren	t's/Guardian	's Signa	ure
Return this slip to	Patri	ck Barrett		В	9/24	1/2019
Does your son/dau	ghter ha	ve an allergy/me	dical condition that we sl	nould be awa	re of?	Please
explain						
Will your child nee	ed medic	cation with him/h	ner for this condition? Ye	s	No _	
If yes, please conta	act Mrs.	Moran, RN, at 22	29-8734 ext 111. A writ	ten medicati	on order	must be
obtained from phy	sician al	ong with written	permission from a paren	t for ANY M	EDICA	TION to
be given.						
Overnight field trip	os: A co	py of student's ir	nsurance card must be acc	company this	permiss	sion slip.

FIELD TRIP CHECKLIST

	Principal approval (6 weeks in advance)
-	Superintendent approval (6 weeks in advance)
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	Parents' permission slips (including date, time, place, transportation, dress info)
	Approved date from master calendar coordinator
	Submit bus request to Buisiness Office for all but charter buses (charter buses can be
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	Copy list and leave permission slips in main office
<u>X</u>	Secure chaperones (1 chaperone to 6 students)
X	Provide chaperones



Southern Berkshire Regional School District

OVERNIGHT FIELD TRIP

Teacher in Charge: Patrick Barrett	Principal: Jesse Carpenter
Trin Location: Cheshire Harbor Trail to Grange Hall Road Dalton	Grade Level of Students: 11-12
all Try And Departure Date: 10/20/2019	Departure Time: 9:00 A.M.
Return Date: 10/22/2019	Return Time: 2:00 P.M.
Purpose of Trip: X	
Objectives of Trip: Students will put into practice to classroom time. They will effectively prepare, part	
the overnight hike portion of this class experience.	
(Provide specific description of obj How will student learning be assessed? Students will be	
journal writing, participation and observation of ski	
Class.	
Description of Itinerary: Day 1 Grange Hall Road to	October Mountain Shelter 9.3 miles
Day 2 October Mountain Shelter to Upper Goose	Pond Cabin 8.8 miles
Day 3 Upper Goose Pond Cabin to Tryingham Ma	in Road 7.0
Overnight accommodations: Facility: Shelter and campsite	Phone # 413-429-1375
Address: Appalachian Trail	

Transportation: School Van	
Meal Plan: Students will provide their own food to	cook during the
hikes.	
Funding Source No money required	
Overnight trips are asked to provide 1 chaperone for every 6 students.	
Names & phone #'s of chaperones: Michelle Raszl 917-767-0389	CORI X
Patrick Barrett 413-429-1375	X
(Attach additional sheet of paper, if necessary)	
Emergency Contact (SBRSD Administrator): Jesse Carpenter	
(Parents' names and phone numbers are to be provided to the emergency co emergency.)	ntact to be used in case of an
Number of students attending: 5	
Names of student participants (listing to be attached to this slip)	
Principal's Approval:	Date: 9 11 19
Superintendent's approval.	Date:
Nurse's Approval: Jeanne Moran RN, BSN	<u>9-11-19</u> Date:
School Committee approval date:	
Comments:	

MOUNT EVERETT OVERNIGHT FIELD TRIP PERMISSION SLIP

Date of Field Trip	10/20	0/2019	Destination Grang	ge Hall Road to	Tyringham	Main Road
Address/Phone #	413-4	129-1375				
Sponsor of Field T	rip					
Department/Class/	Group	Hiking Lead	lership & The Envi	ronment		
Method of transpor	tation	School Van		Cos	st of trip	0
_	0.00	A.M.			2:00 P	A STATE OF THE STA
Upon arrival stude	1	be picked up at	Take buses home	9		
Overnight field trip	s requir	e a phone tree.	If trip is to arrive much b	efore or afte	er estima	ited time,
WSBS will be cont	tacted to	announce the ne	ew arrival time and phone	tree will be	activate	ed
Student's name: participate in the I am aware of the c			nent's class	has my per field trip or		
Date			Parent	's/Guardian	's Signa	ture
Return this slip to	Patri	ck Barrett		В	y 10/1	17/2019
Does your son/dau	ghter ha	ve an allergy/me	dical condition that we sh	ould be awa	are of?	Please
explain						
Will your child nee	ed medio	cation with him/h	ner for this condition? Yes	S	No .	
If yes, please conta	ect Mrs.	Moran, RN, at 2	29-8734 ext 111. A writt	ten medicati	ion orde	r must be
obtained from phys	sician al	ong with written	permission from a parent	for ANY M	/IEDICA	TION to
be given.						
Overnight field trip	os: A co	py of student's in	nsurance card must be acc	ompany this	s permis	sion slip.

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a	rranged by the teacher)
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Southern Berkshire Regional School District

OVERNIGHT FIELD TRIP

Teacher in Charge:	Patrick Barrett	Principal: Jesse Carpenter	
	usalem Road Tyringham to Route 23 Monterey	Grade Level of Students: 11-12	
Depa	arture Date: 12/8/2019	Departure Time: 9:00 A.M.	
Retu	rn Date: 12/9/2019	Return Time: 2:00 P.M.	
Purpose of Trip: x x	Approach to a unit of work Enrichment experience related to cu Culminating activity to a unit Research for unit		
Objectives of Trip:	Enhancement of student learning in Athletic event Students will put into practice the	fine arts, world language e lessons taught during instructional	
classroom time.	classroom time. They will effectively prepare, participate and successfully complete		
the overnight hik	ce portion of this class experience.		
	(Provide specific description of objection of objection be assessed? Students will be participation and observation of ski	assessed through the use of	
	participation and observation of ski	is taught and learned during the	
Class. Description of Itine Day 2 Mount Wi	rary: Day 1 Jerusalem Road to Mount	Wilcox South Shelter Monterey r 9.0 miles	
Overnight accommo		Phone # 413-429-1375	
	Appalachian Trail		

Transportation:	School Van	
Meal Plan: St	tudents will provide their own food to co	ook during the
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	(Attach additional sheet of paper, if necessary)	
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(Parents' name emergency.)	s and phone numbers are to be provided to the emergency contac	t to be used in case of an
Number of stud	dents attending: 5	
Names of stude	ent participants (listing to be attached to this slip)	
Principal's App	proval:	Date: 9/1/19
Superintendent	's approval: All Manulluto	Date: 9/11/19
Nurse's Appro	val: Jeanne Moran RN BSN	9-//1-/9 Date:
School Commi	ttee approval date:	
Comments: _	·	·····

MOUNT EVERETT OVERNIGHT FIELD TRIP PERMISSION SLIP

Date of Field Trip	12/8-	9/2019	Destination	usalem Road Tyrir	igham to Route	23 Monterey
Address/Phone #	413-4	29-1375				
Sponsor of Field T	rip				-	
Department/Class/	Group	Hiking Lead	lership & The En	vironmer	nt	
Method of transpor	tation	School Van		С	ost of trip	, 0
Time of departure		A.M.		e of return	2:00 F	² .M.
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I am aware of the o			nent's class	field trip	on 12/8	12/9/2019
Date			Pare	nt's/Guardia		
Return this slip to	Patri	ck Barrett			By <u>12</u>	/5/2019
Does your son/dau	ghter ha	ve an allergy/me	dical condition that we	should be a	ware of?	Please
explain						
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Superintendent's Report September 12, 2019

Back to School ~

This is our first meeting since the opening of the 2019-2020 school year. It was a great week beginning with the Opening Day Convocation and the return of the Faculty & Staff, and on Wednesday, the arrival of all our students on all three campuses. I have had the opportunity to visit all three campuses to welcome everyone back and to see our students excited and engaged in learning right from the start! Thank you to Ms. Jane Burke and Mr. David Travis for being there for the Opening Day Convocation. The Administrative Team and I have been striving to create unity and infuse the District with a collaborative, supportive, and positive culture in all that we do. Hence was born the idea for our #teamSBRSDcares t-shirts. The 5 represents our five member towns that make up our school community, and our message is that we work each day towards achieving our vision based on what's best for students in the forefront of the decision making process. There has been a lot of very positive feedback about the first weeks of school, but my best barometer always comes from the kids who have lots of things to share with me each day and lots of smiles on their faces.

Middle School Open House~

There was a nice turnout for the Mt. Everett Middle School Open House last night. It began with an informational meeting in the TACPAC, followed by students and their families following the schedule of their first five classes to give parents/guardians an opportunity to see their students' classrooms, meet their teachers, learn about the expectations, and ask questions.

Calendar Survey ~

As promised, in the next month or so, we will put out a survey to our school community to get feedback on the development of the District Calendar for the 2020-2021 school year. It is important to note, that on July 1, 2019 Commissioner Riley announced that the Blizzard Bag initiative was to be phased

out by the end of this school year after analysis done at the State level. I will notify the school community when the survey is available.

Upcoming Events ~

There are a lot of activities scheduled next week to consider adding to your calendar –

Saturday, September 14th is the Founder's Day Parade

Monday, September 16th is the MASC Division VI meeting at 6 pm

Tuesday, September 17th is the School Committee Retreat, Flying Cloud 5:30 pm

Thursday, September 18th SC Consolidation meeting, Berkshire Taconic 4:30 pm

As always, please feel free to reach out with questions or concerns.