

Beekmantown Central School District

Board of Education Meeting

Place: **Auditorium**

May 13, 2014

Minutes

Call to Order

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Debbie Passno called the meeting to order at 6:15 pm and Pauline Stone led the pledge of allegiance.

Members Present

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Eric Anderson | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Cathy Buckley | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Ed Marin |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> April Bingel | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Michael Hagadorn | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Debbie Passno |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Andrew Brockway | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Leonard King | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pauline Stone |

Bradley Cech, Ex-Officio, Student Board Member (*arrived @ 6:20 pm*)

Others Present

- Daniel Mannix, Superintendent of Schools
- Nelly Collazo, HS Principal
- Joha Battin, HS Assistant Principal
- Amy Campbell, MS Principal
- Brittany Trybendis, MS Assistant Principal
- Elaine Dixon Cross, BE Principal
- Garth Frechette, CH Principal
- LeeAnn Short, Director of Special Services
- Gary Lambert, Educational Technology Coordinator
- Daniel Noonan, Superintendent of Buildings & Grounds
- Shane Brink, Transportation Supervisor
- Roxann Barnes, School Lunch Manager
- Joseph Lavorando, School Attorney
- Mary LaValley Blaine, School Business Executive
- Joanne Menard, District Clerk

Visitors

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| Gary Gudz | Susan King | Sally Clancy |
| Ken Maurer | Robert Burnham | Doris Turbide |
| Barb Stone | Charlie Stone | Holly Sims |
| Simone Lutz | Lucy Giroux | Patty Gallagher |
| Sharon Roraback | Brian Tousignant | Rockwell Blake |
| Debbie Blake | Patty Laflam | John Walker |
| Stephen Laflam | | |

Approval of Agenda

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It was moved by Eric Anderson, seconded by Cathy Buckley, and unanimously carried, that the Board of Education approve the agenda.

Bradley Cech arrived at 6:20 p.m.

Presentations

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Topic: Dignity For All Students (DASA)

Presenter: BE Principal Elaine Dixon

DASA

Principal Dixon gave a PowerPoint presentation on the Dignity for All Students (DASA). Principal Dixon explained:

- What is the Dignity Act?
- How does the Dignity Act address Bullying and Cyberbullying?
- How is Beekmantown Central School District addressing Dignity for All Students Act?

A question and answer period followed.

Public Comment

Public Comment (None at this time.)

Reports

Reports/Presentations

Daniel Mannix, Superintendent of Schools had no report at this time.

Mary LaValley Blaine, School Business Executive had no report at this time.

Bradley Cech, Ex-Officio, Student Board Member reported on the following:

- Updated the Board on the National Honor Society Recycling Project
- On 5/2/14 & 5/3/14, BCSD hosted the NYSSMA – students from all over the region came to BCSD and received a score from the judges
- AP testing are being held
- Music Concert is scheduled for 5/10/14 at 7:00 p.m., which is senior night.
- Thursday the high school band went to Lake Placid for NYSMA and performed in front of judges and where scored.
- Introduced John (Jack) Hurwitz as the new student ex-officio board member for the 2014-2015 school year.

Committee Reports

Audit Committee

Cathy Buckley stated the Audit Committee reviewed the warrant and questioned check disbursements.

Policy Committee

Eric Anderson stated the minutes, policies and exhibits are on the agenda for approval.

The Superintendent commented that if the revised Field Trip policy is approved, he would be signing off on a senior trip to Jay Peak, VT.

It was moved by Eric Anderson, seconded by Ed Marin and unanimously carried that the meeting be temporarily adjourned. Time 7:00 p.m.

Budget Hearing

Budget Hearing (7:00 p.m.)

The Superintendent and School Business Executive presented the 2014-2015 budget. A PowerPoint Presentation explained the following:

- Our Mission Statement Drives Beekmantown Central School District
- What will the 2014-15 BCSD Budget mean? A \$0.14 decrease or a \$0.14 increase.
- Will BCSD exceed the Tax Cap? NO! BCSD Tax Cap is .77%.
- Where does our money come from? 43% State Aid, 50% Local Share and 7% Other.
- Allocations = Instruction (7.77% Administration, 75.94 Program, 0.75% Athletics, and 15.50% Capital)
- Previous Cost Reductions – Over the past four years, the district has reduced over 80 offerings and a total of 50 positions.
- Enrollment, budgets and staffing compared to other area schools
- Average Class Size Report
- Sustaining reintroduction of identified programs
- Areas of Achieved Improvements
 - All units moved to Plan 2 (Health Insurance)
 - Work Readiness Skills
 - Out of School Suspension
 - Reduced Administrative Costs – jail
 - Savings by reintroducing students with disabilities students
 - Reorganized Incarcerated Youth Program
 - Accountability
 - Eliminated Bus Runs
 - Developing In-House PD Experts
- Cost Benefit Analysis Powers the Following Reintroductions
 - Foreign Language
 - School Safety
 - Elementary Interventions
 - HS Science Offerings
 - College Advanced Placement Offering
 - On-Line/Distance Learning
 - Class Size
 - Work Readiness Skills/Credential
 - Middle School Intervention
 - Learning Centers
- Section I: Administration, Section II: Program, and Section III: Capital
- Bussing – The district is asking voters to approve the sale of five buses and the purchase of three buses, a 44 passenger bus with a wheelchair station and a new 12 passenger van in the amount not to exceed \$472,500 with the district receiving 72.4% in State aid.
- BCSD Tax Levy Percentage Change

A question and answer period followed.

It was moved by Eric Anderson, seconded by Ed Marin and carried, that the budget hearing be and is hereby declared closed. Time 7:51 p.m.

It was moved by Eric Anderson, seconded by Cathy Buckley and carried, that the board meeting be reconvened.

It was moved by April Bingel, seconded by Eric Anderson and unanimously carried, that upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education approves the following resolutions on this consent agenda (*Minutes & CSE & CPSE Recommendations*):

Minutes

Consent Agenda - Minutes

Board of Education Meetings	Committee Meetings
4/08/14	4/28/14 Audit
4/22/14	4/29/14 Policy
4/24/14	
4/28/14	

Consent Agenda – CSE & CPSE Recommendations

CSE Recommendations

Approval of CSE & CPSE recommendations dated 05/13/14.

It was moved by Eric Anderson, seconded by April Bingel and unanimously carried, that upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education approves the following resolutions on this consent agenda (*Resignations, Elimination of Positions, Appointments, and Recall-Preferred Eligible List*):

Personnel

Consent Agenda - Resignations

*Resignations
Deyo, Michael
Bradish, Maureen*

Approve the following resignations on the date indicated:

Name	Position	Effective Date
Deyo, Michael	Custodial Worker	4/29/14
Bradish, Maureen	School Monitor	5/7/14

Elimination of Position

Consent Agenda - Elimination of Position

Abolish the position of one (1) bus driver for reasons of economy, effective June 30, 2014. The position will be eliminated through attrition and bargaining unit members will not be affected.

Consent Agenda - Appointments

*Appointments
Permanent Civil Service
Seymour, Melissa
Jackson, Kaela*

Approve the following *permanent* Civil Service appointments as indicated:

Name	Civil Service Title	Probationary Period	Initial Board Meeting	Permanent Date
Seymour, Melissa	Bus Driver	2/13/13 – 6/11/14	2/12/13	6/12/14
Jackson, Kaela	School Bus Monitor	2/25/13 – 6/17/14	2/12/13	6/18/14

Temporary On-Call

Approve the following *temporary on-call* appointments beginning on the date indicated:

Name	Type	Effective Date
Ives, Kyle	Non-Instructional	5/14/14

Substitute Appointments

Approve the following *substitute* appointments beginning on the date indicated:

Name	Type	Effective Date
Ryan, Meghan	Instructional	5/19/14
Welch, Mary Elizabeth	Instructional	5/19/14

Athletic Appointment

Approve Erin Jamieson as a volunteer for varsity softball effective 4/22/14 for the 2013-2014 school.

Fitness Center Community Supervisors

Approve the appointment of the following *Fitness Center Community Supervisors*:

Name	Salary	Effective Date
Yonns, Jon	-0-	5/14/14
Brown, Kandie	-0-	5/14/14
Nephew, Sharon	-0-	5/14/14

Recall – Preferred Eligible List

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Appoint Tiffani Light as an elementary teacher from the preferred eligible list in accordance with Education Law Section 3013(3) at a salary of \$53,953 effective 09/01/14 due to the retirement of Gary Phillips. Tiffani Light holds professional certifications in the areas of Childhood Education (Grades 1-6), Students with Disabilities (Grades 1-6) and Literacy (Birth-Grade 6).

Light, Tiffani

Kretser, Ty

Appoint Ty Kretser as a .5 FTE physics teacher from the preferred eligible list in accordance with Education Law Section 3013(3) at a salary of \$27,676.50 effective 09/01/14. Ty Kretser holds initial certification in the area of Physics 7-12.

Miscellaneous

Approval of contract of purchase & sale of West Chazy Elementary School Property

RESOLUTION TO APPROVE THE CONTRACT OF PURCHASE AND SALE BETWEEN THE BEEKMANTOWN CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT AND ROBERT DAVENPORT DATED May 6, 2014

It was moved by Eric Anderson, seconded by Michael Hagadorn and roll-call voted that **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Purchase and Sale Contract dated May 6, 2014 pertaining to the West Chazy Elementary School property located at 44 Academy Street, West Chazy, New York between the Beekmantown Central School District and Robert Davenport is hereby approved; and Daniel W. Mannix, Superintendent of Schools is hereby authorized to execute said contract on behalf of the District; and any

and all other documents that are necessary or recommended by the school attorney to convey title to the subject property.

The roll call vote was as follows:

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Facilities Use Guidelines

The Superintendent commented that the Facilities Use Guidelines were adopted during the contingency budget; therefore since the district is not under a contingency budget, he submitted revised guidelines. The Superintendent stated a committee will be formed to review the fitness center regulations.

It was moved by April Bingel, seconded by Cathy Buckley and unanimously carried, that upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education adopts the Facilities Use Guidelines as presented below:

Family School Organizations, Beekmantown Music Alliance, and the Beekmantown Booster Club will be permitted to use the school facilities until further notice. The Beekmantown Central School District is appreciative of their continued efforts to directly support our students' educational experiences. Filing the proper building use forms is required.

- The above groups will be responsible for cleaning all areas, turning off all lights and locking all doors before departing. A charge will be administered to the organization at an hourly rate if custodial services are required. The Superintendent of Buildings & Grounds and the School Business Executive will calculate these additional costs for such services. Final approval of the Superintendent for all charges is required.*
- The district will make every effort to carry the aforementioned groups on the BCSD insurance policy. However, these groups may be required to purchase and submit verification for the insurance, required as per Board Policies #1222 and #1500.*
- For groups using the facilities without a direct curriculum or Beekmantown Central School District student purpose, the fee for use of the facilities will be \$25 per day/evening of the event plus additional hourly costs for custodial services if deemed necessary by the district. The Superintendent is authorized to determine which event would qualify under these terms.*

It was moved by Eric Anderson, seconded by Michael Hagadorn and unanimously carried, that upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education approves the following resolutions on this consent agenda:

Policies

Consent Agenda - Policies

Approve the following policies:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Policy #</u>
Discrimination Complaint Form	0100-E (New)
Field Trips, Athletic Events and Excursions	4531 (Revised)
Confidentiality Agreement for Volunteers	4532-E (New)
Attendance Zones	5110 (Revised)
Confidentiality Agreement for Substitutes and Employees	5500-E.5 (New)

Financial

It was moved by Eric Anderson, seconded by Cathy Buckley and roll-call voted, that upon recommendations of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education approves the following resolutions on this consent agenda:

Budget Transfers

Approve the following transfers over \$5,000:

Re-allocates wages exceeding the Title Grant allowances back to the general fund

From: A2110 120 00 00 - Wages Teaching	-\$23,231.57
To: A2110 120 01 00 – Wages Teaching K-3	\$20,441.57
To: A2110 130 00 90 – Wages In-house Sub	\$ 2,790.00

Re-allocates refunded property taxes in excess of the amount budgeted

From: A1430 490 00 00 – BOCES personnel	-\$1,502.00
From: A1310 490 00 00 –BOCES business office	-\$5,904.48
To: A1964 400 00 00 – Refund Taxes	\$7,406.48

Re-allocates funds from BOCES to internal uses for textbooks and consumables

From: A2070 490 00 00 – BOCES Curriculum Improvement	-\$9,969.00
To: A2110 480 00 00 – Textbooks and Consumables	\$9,969.00

Acknowledge receipt of the Extra-Curricular Club Reports for January – March 2014.

The roll call vote was as follows:

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Eric Anderson	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Cathy Buckley	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Ed Marin
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Additional Items to Discuss

- Rural Schools Program – Vacant Board Member Position

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The Board next discussed the vacant Board member seat with Rural Schools. The Board did not nominate a BCSD Board Members for the vacant seat.

- Reorganizational Meeting

Reorganizational Meeting

The Board set Tuesday, July 1, 2014 at 6:15 p.m. as the reorganizational meeting of the district.

- Celebration of the Arts

Celebration of the Arts

The Superintendent informed the Board that on 5/20/14, the district will celebrate the arts. The main campus will have items on display from 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. tours will be given.

Elections of Board Officers

- Election of Board Officers

The Board President stated the board should consider the “Best Practices Procedures” from NYSSBA for the election of district officers. She commented that after the May election, candidates for board positions should state interest to make the process more open. Board Member Ed Marin commented candidates should state their background, committees they served on, strengths, and interests.

Public Comment

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John Walker inquired what the price is for the West Chazy building sell for. The Superintendent stated this is executive session and the district is still working on this.

Clerk Pro-Tem

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It was moved by Eric Anderson, seconded by April Bingel and carried, that the Board of Education appoint Eric Anderson as Clerk Pro-tem for this meeting.

Respectfully Submitted,
Joanne Menard, District Clerk

Executive Session
(discuss the employment
history of a particular
person(s), proposed sale
of the West Chazy
building, pending
litigation, & collective
bargaining negotiations
with the Beekmantown
Administrators
Association

Executive Session

It was moved by April Bingel, seconded by Cathy Buckley and carried, that the Board enter executive session to discuss the employment history of a particular person(s), proposed sale of the West Chazy building, pending litigation, and collective bargaining negotiations with the Beekmantown Administrators' Association. Time 8:13 p.m.

It was moved by Andrew Brockway, seconded by Leonard King and carried, that the Board return to regular session. Time 9:28 p.m.

Adjournment

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It was moved by Leonard King, seconded by Debbie Passno and unanimously carried, that the meeting be adjourned. Time 9:29 p.m.

Eric Anderson
Clerk Pro-Tem