

Beekmantown Central School District

Board of Education Meeting

Place: **MS/HS Library**

February 10, 2009

Minutes

Call to Order

President Stan Kourofsky called the meeting to order at 6:15 pm and Kathleen Grinberg-Funes led the pledge of allegiance.

Members Present

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Karen Armstrong | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Frank Hay | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Richard LaVigne |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Guy Falcon | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Leonard King | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> George Palmer |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Kathleen Grinberg-Funes | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Stan Kourofsky | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Steve Trombley |
- Nathan Bull, Ex-Officio, Student Board Member

Others Present

Present

Absent

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| Scott Amo, Superintendent | Sandra Gardner, BE Principal |
| Garth Frechette, HS Principal | Daniel Noonan, Supt. Of Buildings & Grounds |
| Sue Coonrod, MS Principal | |
| Diane Fox, CH Principal | |
| LeeAnn Short, Director of Special Services | |
| Donna Eggleton, Director of Curriculum & Instruction | |
| Joha Battin, Assistant Principal HS | |
| James Knight, Assistant Principal MS | |
| Gary Lambert, Educational Technology Coordinator | |
| Shane Brink, Transportation Supervisor | |
| Roxann Barnes, School Lunch Manager | |
| Ed Cook, Director of PE, Athletics, Health, & Health Services | |
| Ron Clamser, Business Manager | |
| Joseph Lavorando, School Attorney | |
| Joanne Menard, District Clerk | |

Visitors

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| Robert King | Lucy Giroux | Patty Gallagher |
| Susan King | Cathy Buckley | Carrie Trombley |
| Carlton Bull | Anne Marie Baker | |

Approval of Agenda

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It was moved by Richard LaVigne, seconded by Steve Trombley and unanimously carried, that the Board of Education approve the agenda.

Public Comment

Public Comment *(None at this time.)*

Reports

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Scott Amo, Superintendent of Schools reported on the following:

- BHS cafeteria served as host to the Lions Club Pancake Breakfast this past Sunday.
- Square dancing has been planned for 2/13 in the HS gym during activity period. The dance will serve as an authentic assessment of the unit recently taught in physical education classes.
- Hyundai and Subaru dealerships in Vermont recently advertised their efforts to reward a lucky Junior or Senior with a new car in May for their academic achievements. Report cards will serve as entries with multiple entries per participant for attendance, A's, and B's. Keith LaPier's Marketing Class students used this opportunity to create a flyer to advertise the event to our students.
- A regional cheerleading competition was held in the HS gym on Saturday. Ed Cook and several staff contributed to the success of the event. Lots of positive feedback from coaches and attendees.
- As reported in the Free Trader Today, MS Counselor Bill King was sent "to the dog house" for the evening of January 29. Mr. King was prompted by colleagues asking him to serve as an incentive for grade 6-8 students raising money for the Adirondack Humane Society. A goal of \$500 was reached and Mr. King and his basset hound Dunkin spent the entire night sleeping in the cardboard dog house.
- Gary Lambert, Jim Felio, Rick Gangwer, and Keith Schubert are to be congratulated for their efforts in getting our computer and telecommunications systems back on line after several days of battle with a nasty computer virus. Discovering the virus and how it worked was just the first step. These gentlemen literally worked on all the data closets and almost every single computer in the district Saturday and Sunday to get the systems working for the start of school on Monday.

Ron Clamser, Business Manager had no report at this time

Nathan Bull, Ex-Officio, Student Board Member reported on the following:

- The Volleyball Tournament raised money for Hannah's Hope.
- The Girl's Hockey Team is in the final four on Friday in Potsdam.
- Sectionals are coming up.
- Tryouts are this week for the Variety Show, which will be held on March 5 at 7:00 pm.
- 30 students in Grade 6-9 attended Area All County Music Festival at Plattsburgh High School.
- Beekmantown United Nations, which practices debating skills, will meet on 2/26.
- Approximately 300 people each night attended the HS Drama Club performance "A Little Shop of Horrors."
- The National Honor Society is raising money by selling Hands for Hannah.
- The Student Council is getting ready for next year's elections.

Minutes

Approval of Minutes

It was moved by Richard LaVigne, seconded by Leonard King and unanimously carried, that the Board of Education does hereby approve the minutes of the meeting of the Board of Education held on:

1/27/09 Board of Education Meeting

New Business

CSE Recommendations

CSE Recommendations

It was moved by Richard LaVigne, seconded by Steve Trombley, and unanimously carried that the Board of Education approves the CSE recommendations dated 2/10/09.

Appointments

Appointments

It was moved by Richard LaVigne, seconded by Kathleen Grinberg-Funes, and unanimously carried, that the Board of Education approve the following *substitute* appointments beginning on the date indicated:

Substitutes

Name	Substitute	Effective Date
Bombeck, Jeffrey	Instructional	2/23/09
Rockhill, Jennifer	Instructional	2/23/09
Lahart, Anna	Instructional	2/23/09
Snyder, Morgan	Instructional	2/23/09
Turner, Shawn	Instructional	2/23/09
Fessette, Kaylen	Instructional	2/23/09

Guy Falcon abstained.

It was moved by Richard LaVigne, seconded by Guy Falcon, and unanimously carried, that the Board of Education appoint the following probationary appointment as indicated:

Probationary Appointment *Baker, Anne Marie*

Teacher	Tenure Area	Certification		Probationary Period	Salary (Based on 07- 08 Salary Schedule)
		Area	Form		
Baker, Anne Marie	Biology 7-12	Biology 7-12	Initial	2/11/09 – 2/10/12	\$40,218

Anne Marie Baker was introduced.

Civil Service Probationary Appointment

It was moved by Richard LaVigne, seconded by Steve Trombley, and unanimously carried, that the Board of Education appoint the following *Civil Service probationary* appointment as indicated:

George, Margaret

Name	Title	Period	Salary (08-09)	Contract
George, Margaret	Teacher Aide (40%)	2/9/09 – 9/21/09	\$5,302	10 months

Retirement

Retirement

It was moved by Richard LaVigne, seconded by Leonard King, and unanimously carried, that the Board of Education accept the following intent to retire on the date indicated:

Glennon, Betty Ross, Jerry Jolicoeur, Marion

Name	Position	Date
Glennon, Betty	Food Service Helper	06/24/09
Ross, Jerry	School Psychologist	06/30/09
Jolicoeur, Marion	School Bus Monitor	11/03/09

Jerry Ross was present and the Board wished him well in his retirement.

Tenure

Konstanty, Kathryn

Tenure

It was moved by Richard LaVigne, seconded by Steve Trombley, and unanimously carried, that the Board of Education approve the following tenure appointment effective on the date indicated:

Name	Tenure Area	Certification	Years	Probationary Period	Date Board Meeting	Tenure Date
Konstanty, Kathryn	French 7-12	French 7-12	3	2/27/06 – 2/26/09	2/14/06	2/27/09

Financial

Financial

It was moved by Steve Trombley, seconded by Richard LaVigne, and unanimously carried, that the Board of Education accept the following reports as presented by the Audit Committee:

- Appropriation Status Report – (November & December)
- Treasurer’s Revenue Report – (November & December)
- Cafeteria Revenue & Expense Report - (November & December)
- Treasurer’s Monthly Report – (November & December)
- Trial Balance – (November & December)
- Warrant Report – (November & December)
- Extra-Curricular Activities Account – (November & December)

Donation

It was moved by Leonard King, seconded by Steve Trombley, and unanimously carried, that the Board of Education accept the following donation and approve amending the District budget to be increased in the amount of \$302.75.

From	For	Amount
Beekmantown Booster Club	Golf Supplies	\$302.75

Roll Call Vote

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Richard LaVigne | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Frank Hay | <input type="checkbox"/> Karen Armstrong |
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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Guy Falcon | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Leonard King | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Stan Kourofsky |

School Bus Lease Agreement

It was moved by Richard LaVigne, seconded by Steve Trombley, and unanimously carried, that the Board of Education approve the School Bus Lease Agreement with the following organization:

<u>Organization</u>	<u>Dates</u>	<u>Purpose</u>	<u>Number of Buses</u>
Beekmantown Youth Commission	2/16/09	Ski Trip	1

Additional Items to Discuss

Operations Committee Update

Operations Committee Update

Leonard King updated the Board on the Operations Committee held earlier this evening:

- A thank you letter was sent to Mark Barie, President of CDC Real Estate for an opinion of value on the West Chazy School.
- Received an update from Dan Noonan on how his new job as Superintendent of Buildings & Grounds is going.
- Discussed the climbing wall and what to do or not do. At this point, not sure if any

money will be left his year.

- Recommended the Board put a referendum to the voters to use \$275,000 from the fund balance to install bleachers on the football field. The district would use money this year to finish the field.
- Dan Noonan will co-chair the Operations Committee.

*CEWW School
Boards Association
Meeting*

CEWW School Boards Association Meeting – March 5, 2009

Discussion next followed on the CEWW School Boards Association meeting and who will be attending. Names were given to the District Clerk.

Public Comment

Public Comment (None at this time.)

Clerk Pro-Tem

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It was moved by Richard LaVigne, seconded by Leonard King, and unanimously carried, that Stan Kourofsky be appointed Clerk Pro-tem.

Respectfully Submitted,
Joanne Menard, District Clerk

Executive Session

Time 6:43 pm It was moved by Richard LaVigne, seconded by Steve Trombley and unanimously carried, that the Board enter executive session to discuss Beekmantown Teachers' Association Contract Negotiations and a particular person(s) employment history.

*Executive Session
(to discuss BTA
Contract Negotiations
and a particular
person(s) employment
history)*

Time 7:22 pm. It was moved by Richard LaVigne, seconded by Steve Trombley, and unanimously carried, that the Board return to regular session.

Adjournment

It was moved by Frank Hay, seconded by Leonard King, and unanimously carried, that the meeting be adjourned. Time 7:23 pm.

Adjournment

Respectfully Submitted,
Stan Kourofsky, Board President