

**BELFAST CENTRAL SCHOOL BOARD OF EDUCATION
OFFICIAL MINUTES**

Date: March 13, 2012
Where Held: Auditorium
Time: 6:30 p.m.

Kind of Meeting: Regular Meeting
Presiding Officer: President Hull

MEMBERS PRESENT: Mark Alessi, Cecy Curcio, Chris Enders, Randa Harrington, Richard Hull, Jr., Janine Preston, Lisa Wuersig

MEMBERS ABSENT: None

OTHERS PRESENT: Judy May, Superintendent/K-4 Principal; Robert Lingenfelter, District Treasurer; Michael Roche, 5-12 Principal/Curriculum Coordinator, Eileen Ostrander, District Clerk, Joshua Hazelton & Mary Paulsen, Teacher's Association Representatives, Mr. & Mrs. Sackett, Parents, Kathy Bogdan & Doris Warner, School Related Personnel, Collin Jones, Lexi Weaver, Students (all left at 7:40 p.m.); Allison Paulsen, Luke Colley (left at 6:40 p.m.); Kourtne Franklin & Bridgett Cole (left at 7:30 p.m.)

President Hull called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Motion by Randa Harrington, seconded by Chris Enders, that the Board of Education of the Belfast Central School approve the minutes of the February 14, 2012 regular meeting. Carried 7-0

Minutes

Allison Paulsen, Luke Colley, Lexi Weaver and Collin Jones reported on a waste audit recommended by the DEC and conducted under Mr. Hazelton's supervision. They stated students dug through trash and displayed a chart depicting the amount of garbage and recyclable material produced throughout the school. Suggestions on how to curtail waste were provided. Mr. Hazelton also shared what is being produced presently in the greenhouse including broccoli, carrots, onions, peas, beans, tomatoes and lettuce.

Waste Audit

The recently attended legislative breakfast was discussed.

Legislative
Breakfast

The Board received the most up-to-date figures on the 2012-13 BCS budget.

Budget

Mr. Lingenfelter provided information on the tax levy limit calculation he recently submitted to the state and the variables and formulas involved in this determination. Using the formula the state has provided, the allowable tax levy limit would be 6.33% before requiring a super-majority vote of 60%. Figures will change due to changes in our building aid projections.

Tax Levy
Limit

Motion by Lisa Wuersig, seconded by Janine Preston, that the Board of Education of the Belfast Central School approve an amendment to a NYCLASS Municipal Cooperative Agreement so that it shall now be by and between the Village of Potsdam and the Participants thereto. In addition, the following definitional changes are made: Section 1. The definition of "Investment Advisor" means the investment advisor with which the Governing Board has contracted to serve in such capacity under the Agreement. The definition of "Lead Participant" means the Village of Potsdam, but solely in its capacity as Lead Participant hereunder and not individually. The definition of "Services Agreement" means the agreement between the Governing Board and the Investment Advisor, as the same may be amended from time to time, providing for administrative and investment advisory services to the Governing Board. Carried 7-0

NYCLASS
Amendment

Lisa Wuersig made the motion, seconded by Cecy Curcio, that the Board of Education of the Belfast Central School support BOCES in a borrowing resolution as presented. Carried 7-0

BOCES
Borrowing

Motion by Mark Alessi, seconded by Randa Harrington, that the Board of Education of the Belfast Central School approve the proposed basis of service charges of the Cattaraugus-Allegany-Erie-Wyoming BOCES for the 2012-13 fiscal year. Carried 7-0

Basis of
Service
Charges

Mr. Roche reported on the 8th grade Washington trip that took place March 7th through the 10th. He stated the trip went extremely well.

Washington

Mrs. May informed the Board that we have an Odyssey of the Mind team heading to state competition in Binghamton on Saturday March 31st. They were chosen to participate in a lottery drawing.

Odyssey of the Mind

Enrollment numbers and sports schedules for spring 2012 were provided. Varsity teams will travel together as much as possible next year to save on costs.

Sports Schedules

Mrs. May reported on the community forum held in February to discuss the budget. She stated that although only 12 community members attended, they were different faces than normally seen at school events.

Community forum

Correspondence pertaining to an upcoming Girl Scout trip whereby students would miss school was distributed.

Girl Scout letter

The Board was informed of mechanical problems with our bus. Questions have arisen over the warranty and are being pursued.

Bus problems

BCS Board members were invited to meet with Board members of Cuba-Rushford, Friendship, and Hinsdale to discuss sharing of services. More information will be provided.

Sharing of Services

Cecy Curcio made the motion, seconded by Randa Harrington, that the Board of Education of the Belfast Central School approve the legal notice of budget hearing and annual meeting for the 2012 budget vote. Carried 7-0

Legal Notice

Randa Harrington made the motion, seconded by Chris Enders, that the Board of Education of the Belfast Central School approve appointment of Sarah Lehman as a non-certified teaching substitute for the remainder of the 2011-2012 school year. Carried 7-0

Lehman Substitute

Motion by Lisa Wuersig, seconded by Mark Alessi, that the Board of Education of the Belfast Central School approve CSE/CPSE recommendations for the following case numbers: CPSE: 900-38-7854, 900-38-7904 and CSE: 900-37-6713, 900-38-7905, 900-34-7203, 900-32-7632, 900-38-7928, 900-38-7652, 900-11-3858, 900-36-5520, 900-38-7639, 900-37-6773, 900-32-7632, 900-38-7628, 900-38-7619. Carried 7-0

CSE recs

Janine Preston made the motion, seconded by Lisa Wuersig, that the Board of Education of the Belfast Central School approve attendance at the BOCES annual meeting, April 4, 2012, for Richard Hull and Judy May. Carried 7-0

BOCES annual meeting

Motion by Randa Harrington, seconded by Chris Enders, that the Board of Education of the Belfast Central School establish a modified track team for the 2011-2012 season and appoint Maik Zillgitt as a volunteer coach. Carried 7-0

Modified Track Zillgitt Volunteer

Randa Harrington made the motion, seconded by Chris Enders, that the Board of Education of the Belfast Central School approve acceptance of a gift of a hot dog roaster to BCS concessions donated by Ron Mix of Belfast. Carried 7-0

Hot Dog Roaster Gift

Randa Harrington motioned, seconded by Cecy Curcio, that the Board of Education of the Belfast Central School approve revisions to the administrative guidelines for the scheduling of sports. Carried 7-0

Adm Guidelines Sports

Randa Harrington made the motion, seconded by Cecy Curcio, that the Board of Education of the Belfast Central School enter executive session at 7:40 p.m. to discuss particular personnel items. Carried 7-0

At 8:14 p.m., Lisa Wuersig made the motion, seconded by Janine Preston, to come out of executive session. Carried 7-0

At 8:14 p.m., Lisa Wuersig motioned, seconded by Mark Alessi, to adjourn the meeting. Carried 7-0