

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

Date: November 12, 2013  
Where Held: Auditorium  
Time: 6:30 p.m.

Kind of Meeting: Regular  
Presiding Officer: Richard Hull, Jr.

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

MEMBERS ABSENT: Cecy Curcio, Patricia Krotz

OTHERS PRESENT: Judy May, Superintendent, Robert Lingenfelter, District Treasurer, Michael Roche, Principal, Eileen Ostrander, District Clerk, Pamela Miller, Teachers' Association Representative; Doris Warner & Kathy Bogdan, School Related Personnel Association (left at 6:35 p.m.)

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

**Motion by Janine Preston, seconded by Randa Harrington, that the Board of Education of the Belfast Central School approve the minutes of the October 8, 2013 regular meeting. Carried 5-0**

Minutes

In honor of School Board Recognition Week, the Board was recognized for their many hours of volunteer service by Americorps, the Student Council, the Belfast Teachers' Association, and the Belfast School Related Personnel Association.

School Board Recognition

**Motion by Randa Harrington, seconded by Chris Enders, that the Board of Education of the Belfast Central School approve the following financial items as presented:**

To act upon the recommendation of the Superintendent to accept the treasurer's report for the month of September.

Treasurer's report

To act upon the recommendation of the Superintendent to accept the tax collector's report for 2013-2014 and direct that the lists of the delinquent tax items, with the addition of the two percent penalty, be certified to the office of the county treasurer and/or other tax enforcement officer.

Tax collector's report

To act upon the recommendation of the Superintendent to approve tax exemption for persons over 65 with limited income with the sliding scale set at \$8,000.

Tax exemptions for persons over 65

To act upon the recommendation of the Superintendent to approve the budget calendar for 2014.

Budget calendar

Motions were unanimously approved.

The Board received the Budget Status and Revenue Status Reports, the warrant reports for the month of September, and the Internal Claims Auditor report for the September Warrants

Budget Reports, Warrants, Internal Claims

The Board received Real Property Tax corrections for the town of Belfast due to clerical error for the following parcels: 105.10-2-29, 117.3-1-6, 129.-1-11, 117.-1-59. All were under \$1,000 so no Board action was needed.

Tax corrections

The Board received information on the energy reduction project that was completed in the bus garage in the spring of 2012. Mr. Lingenfelter stated that the trend is going in the right direction with the new lighting.

Energy reduction project bus garage

President Hull and Mrs. May reported on the School Boards Convention they recently attended in Rochester.

School Boards Convention

Mr. Roche presented the discipline report for the month of September. He also stated we would be practicing an early dismissal drill on November 22 using a Code Blue and dismissing to the bus garage.

Early dismissal drill

Mrs. May presented enrollment numbers, reminded the Board that the yearbook photo would be taken at the next meeting, and presented winter sports schedules. She informed the Board there would not be cheerleading this year due to lack of interest.

Enrollment, yearbook, winter sports schedules, cheerleading

Mrs. May informed the Board of a new Allegany Area Foundation Scholarship being provided to students of Belfast in honor of Marie Miller Gleason initiated by her son David Scholes. She also provided information on a math curriculum resource located on the Belfast home page where questions may be emailed and on other avenues teachers are pursuing to keep on top of common core curriculum issues.

Allegany Area Foundation scholarship

Mr. Hull stated that a former student Danny Bush had received an award from St. Bonaventure which led to further discussion on Danny's involvement with a video funded by ACCORD which has been shown in area schools and theatres.

Bush Award

**Motion by Mark Alessi, seconded by Randa Harrington, that the Board of Education of the Belfast Central School upon the recommendation of the Superintendent approve CSE recommendations for the following case numbers: 900-37-6741, 900-38-7843, 900-37-6761, 900-38-7928, 900-11-3861, 900-38-8160, 900-37-6841, 900-38-7927, 900-37-6787, 900-38-8179. Carried 5-0**

CSE recs

**Motion by Randa Harrington, seconded by Janine Preston, that the Board of Education of the Belfast Central School approve the following personnel agenda items:**

To act upon the recommendation of the Superintendent to approve change from conditional appointment status for Elizabeth Hull, Joleen Middaugh, Deborah Young, and Danielle DeRock-Diffenderfer due to fingerprint clearance.

Clearance

To act upon the recommendation of the Superintendent to approve appointment of Lauren Scharf as a long-term certified substitute teacher for Aubri Enders' maternity leave of absence from her music teaching position. Salary will be Step A of the teachers' negotiated agreement. Barring unforeseen circumstances, this leave will commence on January 6, 2014 and end on June 30, 2014.

Scharf long-term substitute

To act upon the recommendation of the Superintendent to approve Mary Paulsen, Brandi Mahon, Joanne Ross, and Josh Hazelton as winter sports chaperones for the 2013-2014 season.

Winter sports chaperones

To act upon the recommendation of the Superintendent to approve appointment of Carrie Flanagan-Watson as assistant to the principal for the 2013-14 school year at the rate of \$3,000.

Flanagan Assistant to Principal

To act upon the recommendation of the Superintendent to approve the probationary appointment of Tara Judd as a teacher aide. Probationary period commences on December 2, 2013 and ends on June 2, 2014. Salary for the 2013-14 school year will be \$8.23 per hour granting two years of experience credit.

Judd Teacher Aide

Motions were unanimously approved.

Hamer Volunteer

**Motion by Randa Harrington, seconded by Mark Alessi, that the Board of Education of the Belfast Central School upon the recommendation of the Superintendent approve Liz Hamer as a volunteer assisting with girls' modified basketball for the 2013-14 season. Carried 5-0**

Solar panels

Mrs. May mentioned that staff from Alfred State College would be here starting tomorrow to work on the solar panels.

STAR reapplication

Randa Harrington mentioned it would be beneficial to publish the reapplication procedure for the STAR program in the next newsletter.

At 7 p.m., Randa Harrington made the motion, seconded by Chris Enders, to adjourn. Carried 5-0