

# Beekmantown Central School District

## Special Board of Education Meeting

Place: **MS/HS Library**

**August 16, 2011**

### Minutes

#### Call to Order

Vice-President Leonard King called the meeting to order at 4:30 pm and led the pledge of allegiance.

#### Members Present

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Karen Armstrong (arrived at 4:38 pm)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Stan Kourofsky	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Carole Race
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Cathy Buckley	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Richard LaVigne	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pauline Stone
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Leonard King	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Ed Marin	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Steve Trombley (arrived at 5:39 pm)

#### Others Present

☒ Scott Amo, Superintendent of Schools

#### Visitors

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Lori Kashorek	Debbie Mousseau	Nick Mousseau
Diane Kwarta	Joe Howell	John Sims
Holly Sims	Jenny LeBeau-Howell	

#### Clerk Pro-Tem

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It was moved by Stan Kourofsky, seconded by Richard LaVigne and carried, that the Board of Education appoint Scott Amo as Clerk Pro-tem for this meeting.

### New Business

#### • Goal Setting – Board & District Goals

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The Board reviewed the District Goals and Board Goals from 2010-2011. The Superintendent presented a PowerPoint presentation on the School Data Portfolio – Student Performance Key Data Elements – August 2011.

The Superintendent and Board engaged in a “brainstorming” session to develop ideas for potential Board goals for 2011-2012. The following were identified as potential goals:

- Identify budget - specific workdays for Board.
- Continue to identify the priorities for EXCEL funding from the 5-year plan.
- Research the use options for the West Chazy Elementary building and develop a plan.
- Research the concept of district consolidation with an area district.
- Research a restructuring of school year, school day.

- Research the long-range plan for transportation of students, including economical considerations for the purchase of buses.
- Study the feasibility of organizing one elementary school as K-2 and the other as 3-5.
- Research the feasibility of selective courses being brought back from BOCES to the district.
- Establish a timeline for the progress review of APPR implementation.

The Board agreed to review the proposed list and identify specific goals for 2011-2012 at a future board meeting.

*Steve Trombley arrived at 5:39 pm.*

*The Board took a break from 5:42 pm to 6:10 pm.*

*The Board President presided over the remaining part of the meeting.*

The Board and Superintendent continued to discuss ideas for potential District Goals for 2011-2012.

- Pursue a criteria format for determining student participation in BOCES programs.
- Research the contractual implications in implementing the common core standards.
- Decrease the percentage of students in Grades 3-8 receiving a Level 1 or 2 in all state tested content areas and increase the percentages of students in Grades 3-8 receiving a Level 3 or 4 in all state tested content areas.
- Develop and implement targeted programs, services, and interventions for K-12 students identified with an IEP resulting in a 20% decrease in discipline referrals and a 50% decrease in school suspensions.
- Develop, and implement targeted programs and services for students in Grades 9-12 with IEPs that will result in a decrease of 5 % in the drop-out rates for each year beginning in 2010-2011.
- Identify and implement researched-based programs and strategies to be applied by teachers in Grades K-12 that focus on critical thinking and information analysis skills.
- Identify and implement researched-based programs and strategies to be applied by teachers in Grades K-12 that focus on developing effective oral and written communication skills.
- Identify and implement research-based programs and strategies to be applied by teachers in Grades K-12 that focus on developing effective group work behaviors and group problem-solving opportunities.

### **Adjournment**

#### *Adjournment*

It was moved by Richard LaVigne, seconded by Leonard King and unanimously carried, that the meeting be adjourned. Time 6:55 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Scott Amo, Clerk Pro-Tem