

Beekmantown Central School District

Board of Education Meeting

Place: MS/HS Library

May 9, 2017

Minutes

Call to Order

Andrew Brockway called the meeting to order at 6:15 pm and Leonard King led the pledge of allegiance.

Members Present

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<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Andrew Brockway	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Michael Hagadorn (<i>arrived @ 6:50 pm</i>)	<input type="checkbox"/> Jason Marsh
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Cathy Buckley	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Leonard King	<input type="checkbox"/> Debbie Passno
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Jaramy Connors	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Ed Marin	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pauline Stone

☒ Alexis Marketing, Ex-Officio, Student Board Member

Others Present

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- ☒ Daniel Mannix, Superintendent
- ☒ Justin Gardner, HS Principal
- ☒ Amy Campbell, MS Principal
- ☒ Michael Johnson, MS Assistant Principal
- ☒ Sarah Paquette, BE Principal
- ☐ Garth Frechette, CH Principal
- ☒ LeeAnn Short, Director of Special Services & PreK-5 Curriculum & Instruction Director
- ☒ Polly Tavernia, Director of Pupil Services
- ☒ Gary Lambert, Director of 21st Century Learning
- ☒ Mary Swanson, Director of Curriculum & Instruction
- ☒ Eric Bell, District Treasurer (*arrived @ 7:10 pm*)
- ☒ Mary LaValley Blaine, School Business Executive
- ☒ Joanne Menard, District Clerk

Visitors

Robert King	Sally Clancy	Brad Countermine
Christine Jabaut		

Approval of Agenda

It was moved by Cathy Buckley, seconded by Leonard King and carried, that the Board of Education approve the agenda.

Public Comment

Public Comment - (None at this time).

Presentation Reports

Topic: Update on Capital Project & Energy Performance Contract
Presenter: Garrett Hamlin, Tetra Tech

Garrett Hamlin of Tetra Tech updated on the board on the following:

EPC Project

- EPC Project has been approved by SED with construction beginning next month
- Most of the work on the EPC Project will be done by the end of the 2017-18 school year.

Capital Project

- Reviewed the Project Scoping Document
- Showed pictures of the work areas with red being heavy renovations and grey light renovations
- Discussed the Large Group Instruction (LGI) area. The partitions come down from the ceiling
- The athletic fields and parking lot was reviewed.
- Construction is slated for 2018 & 2019.

Reports

Superintendent Daniel Mannix reported on the following:

- The district will be creating a Suicide Plan by the start of the school year. The district presently has two experts on staff.

School Business Executive Mary LaValley Blaine report on the following:

- The US Army Corps of Engineers executed the right-of-way to access the property on the Jersey Swamp Road.

Alexis Marking, Ex-Officio, Student Board Member reported on the following:

- Junior Prom is 5/20/17
- AP exams have begun
- Finals and regents will be starting soon
- Sectional will start shortly
- Sixteen students were honored at the Clinton County School Boards Top 10% Banquet
- Agriculture Program - nine (9) baby chicks were hatched
- Eagle Mart sold out of new items
- Harvard UN are holding tryouts
- The seniors will be holding the Senior Banquet on the "Spirit of Ethan Allen"
- When seniors commit to a college, it's posted on the wall by the HS office.

Committee Reports

Audit

Cathy Buckley reported that the Audit Committee reviewed the March Financial Report. The ELT grant will be ending in June; therefore, the snack program will be ending.

Michael Hagadorn arrived at 6:50 p.m.

Operations

Michael Hagadorn report the Operations Committee interviewed two (2) companies for construction management services on 5/4/17 for the Capital Project. On 5/15/17, one (1) of the firms will be back on site for the district to meet the individuals who will assigned to the project.

It was moved by Leonard King, seconded by Jaramy Connors and carried, that upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education approves the following resolutions on this consent agenda (*Minutes, CSE, CPSE and 504 recommendations*):

Consent Agenda - Minutes

Minutes

Board of Education Meetings	Committee Meetings
4/20/17	4/24/17 Audit
	4/27/17 Operations

New Business

CSE, CPSE & 504 Recommendations

Consent Agenda – CSE, CPSE and 504 Recommendations

Approval of CSE, CPSE and 504 recommendations dated 5/9/17

It was moved by Pauline Stone, seconded by Cathy Buckley and carried, that upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education approves the following resolutions on this consent agenda (*Resignations, Appointments, Retirement & Recall-Preferred Eligibility List*):

Resignations

Resignations

Accept the following *resignations* on the date indicated:

Laundry , Patience Wisher, Paul Trinkle, Brandon

Name	Position	Effective Date
Landry, Patience	Extracurricular Treasure	3/17/17
Wisher, Paul	Senior Automotive Mechanic	6/30/17
Trinkle, Brandon	Agricultural Entrepreneurship Teacher	6/30/17

Appointments

Substitute Appointments

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

Name	Type	Effective Date
Flach, Jason	Instructional	5/11/17
Pombrio, Tyler	Instructional	5/11/17
Pelkey, Brennon	Instructional	5/11/17
Canne, Elizabeth	Instructional	5/11/17
Stuber, Julie	Instructional	5/11/17
Hicks, Arianna	Instructional	5/11/17

Temporary On-Call

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

Name	Type	Effective Date
Barnes-McKee, Rebecca	Non-Instructional	5/11/17
Martin, Caitlin	Non-Instructional	5/11/17
Bell, Brittany	Non-Instructional	5/11/17

Approve the following athletic appointments for the 2016-2017 school year:

Athletic Appointments

Assignment	Name	Total 2016-2017
Assistant Modified Baseball	Marion, Rahn	-0-
Volunteer Baseball	Tolosky, Joseph	-0-

Permanent Sub O'Keefe, Michael

Approve Michael O'Keefe as a permanent substitute for the Beekmantown Middle School effective 5/15/17 @ \$115/day.

Retirement

Laundry, Patience

Retirement

Accept the follow intent to retire on the date indicated:

Name	Position	Date
Landry, Patience	Mathematics Teacher	7/1/17

Recall

Countermin, Bradley

Recall - Preferred Eligible List

Appoint *Bradley Countermin* as a *driver's education teacher* from the preferred eligible list in accordance with Education Law Section 3013(3) at a salary of \$54,850 (Step 7, BA 72) (based on the 2016-2017 salary schedule) effective 7/01/17. Bradley Countermin was previously employed as a driver's education teacher for the 2011-2012 school year. Bradley Countermin holds professional certification in the areas of Social Studies 7-12, Social Studies (Grades 5-9), and Students with Disabilities – Grades 7-12 Generalist. Bradley Countermin will carry over his current accumulation of sick time.

Bradley Countermine was present.

It was moved by Leonard King, seconded by Cathy Buckley and carried, that upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education approves the following resolutions on this consent agenda (*Field Trip, Professional Services Agreement & Side Letter of Understanding with the BTA*):

Miscellaneous

Field Trip

Approve a field trip for the kindergarten classes at Beekmantown Elementary to Parc Safari in Canada on 6/4/17.

Professional Services
Agreement
Rasheed Trombley

Approve the Professional Services Agreement by and between the Beekmantown Central School District Board of Education and Rasheed Trombley of West Chazy for video production at a cost not to exceed \$1,100 through June 15, 2017. This is funded through the ELT grant.

Side Letter of
Understanding - BTA
Summer School

Approve the Side Letter of Understanding with the Beekmantown Teachers' Association and the Beekmantown Central School District for Summer School from July 10, 2017 to August 18, 2017.

It was moved by Leonard King, seconded by Michael Hagadorn and carried, that upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education approves the following resolutions on this consent agenda (*Financial Reports, Transfers, Acceptance of RFPs & Award of E-Rate Bids*):

Consent Agenda - Financial

Financial Reports

Accept the following reports as presented by the Audit Committee:

Appropriation Status Report – (March 2017)
Treasurer's Revenue Report – (March 2017)
Treasurer's Monthly Cash Report – (March 2017)
Trial Balance – (March 2017)
Extra-Curricular (December 2016 – February 2017)

Acknowledge receipt of the Warrant Report for March 2017

Acknowledge receipt of the Budget Transfer Report for March 2017 and Due To & Due From Report as of March 2017.

Approve the following transfers over \$25,000:

Transfers

Reallocate for Driver's Education Vehicle/Simulator

From: A2250-490-00-00 Teaching SWD BOCES	\$145,000	
To: A2110-200-03-01 Teaching HS Equipment		\$145,000

Safety & Security Upgrades in Video Surveillance and Premise Security Systems through BOCES/NERIC reimbursable CoSers

From: A2250-490-00-00 Teaching SWD BOCES \$200,000
To: A2110-490-00-00 Teaching BOCES \$200,000

Model Schools BOCES Aid reimbursable to facilitate 21st Century learning environment

From: A2250-490-00-00 Teaching SWD BOCES \$55,000
To: A2110-490-05-12 Teaching Model Schools \$55,000

21st Century Learning environments- classroom

From: A2250-490-00-00 Teaching SWD BOCES \$195,000
To: A2110-450-11-00 Teaching MS materials & supplies \$ 7,500
To: A2110-450-02-00 Teaching CHES materials & supplies \$ 97,500
To: A2110-450-03-00 Teaching HS materials & supplies \$ 15,000
To: A2110-450-01-00 Teaching BES materials & supplies \$ 75,000

RFP
Construction
Management Services

WHEREAS, the Board of Education, requested proposals (RFP's) for construction management services for the District's Capital Project ;

WHEREAS, three (3) proposals were received;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education hereby grants authority to the Superintendent of Schools to execute a contract with one of the affirmed construction management firms.

Bids
E-Rate

The School Business Executive explained the E-Rate Program which is a federal program. The district filed papers with E-Rate Central. The bid period closed on Thursday. This is a 5-year window which the district is eligible for 80% reimbursement on wireless and WIFI.

WHEREAS, the Board of Education, requested bids for E-rate services for category 1 and category 2;

WHEREAS, bids were received for category 1 and category 2; and

WHEREAS, E-rate items are refundable at 80% aid reimbursement; and

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education hereby grants the Superintendent of Schools authority to execute a contract for E-rate services.

The roll-call vote was as follows:

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Andrew Brockway	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Michael Hagadorn	<input type="checkbox"/> Jason Marsh
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Cathy Buckley	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Leonard King	<input type="checkbox"/> Debbie Passno
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Jaramy Connors	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Ed Marin	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pauline Stone

The Board President requested the board be notified of the construction management firm. The Superintendent will inform the Board of the firm that the committee selects.

Additional Items to Discuss

- American Red Cross - Shelter Agreement

The Superintendent informed the Board that the district has an existing agreement with the American Red Cross to use the district facilities as a shelter.

- Leonard King

President Andrew Brockway informed the Board that this was Leonard King's last meeting. He thanked Mr. King for serving in this appointed position.

Budget Hearing

Budget Hearing (MS/HS Library @ 7:00 p.m.)

The Superintendent, School Business Executive and District Treasurer presented the 2017-2018 Budget "Moving Forward".

Mission Statement - "It is the mission of the district and its community to educate every individual to be a quality contributor to society and self."

Will BCSD Exceed the 2% Tax Cap? No! BCSD Tax Cap is 1.57%

Taxes are down over a three year and ten year period. A chart showed the tax rate per thousand, tax levy and levy % change from 2004-2005 to 2016-2017

District Comparison - Total of 8 districts - % of Free & Reduced Lunch, Enrollment, Per Pupil Cost and CWR

Clinton County Comparisons - Beekmantown is the lowest per pupil, second highest enrollment, highest free & reduced lunch and the common wealth ratio (CWR) is below the State average.

How Does the 2017-2018 Budget Impact Me?

Efforts Resulting In Significant Impact:

- Negotiated \$66 million PILOT to reduce taxes with Vermont Green Line Project
- Received millions in grants allocations
- \$1.5 million allocation from Smart Schools Bond act through our Investment Plan
- Units moved to Platinum Plan 2 and adopted Bronze Plan
- Shared Services - NCCS, Chazy and CVES
- Energy Performance Contract = millions to BCSD
- Voter approved Capital Project

BCSD's Financial Outlook:

- 1) The Energy Performance Contract (EPC)
- 2) The Capital Project
- 3) The Vt. Green Line Project
- 4) Our Smart Schools Bond Act Allocation

BCSD's Financial Outlook:

- 1) The Energy Performance Contract (EPC)

Saving energy for a school district in upstate New York

The Beekmantown Central School District is Leading with Science to improve energy efficiency in our facilities. Our completely privately guaranteed funded EPC Project partner (Siemens) will install high-efficiency condensing boilers in three buildings, add demand-controlled ventilation for high occupancy spaces, replace lights with LED fixtures, make envelope improvements throughout school district properties and install a 70 kilowatt solar photovoltaic array at CHES. In total, 28 energy-use-reduction measures anticipated to save the district \$429,000 per year.

BCSD Fact: Achievement is up!

- BCSD - Mean scores - 3-8 Assessments
- BCSD Attendance 2014-2017
- BCSD Discipline 2014-2017
- Student experience a 21st Century environment

State Aid Details

Changes in Foundation Aid, BOCES, Building Aid, Transportation Including Summer School, Community School, Other aids (excess cost, high cost etc.) were explained. The total change from budget to budget is \$559,616 which is 3.01%.

BCSD Budget Priorities are:

- 1) Improving student offerings through Clinton Community College and Project Lead the Way; and
- 2) Expenditures which allow for NYS reimbursements via BOCES, Building and Transportation aid; and
- 3) Producing a world class learning environment with sustainable programming and offerings.

2017-2018 Efforts!

- Continue to increase 1:1 initiative
- Reinstitute Driver's Education
- Offer Computer Science and PLTW offerings
- Improve student interventions offerings
- Improve facilities via EPC and Cap Outlay
- Continue with our amazing food program

Where does our money come from?

Revenues

- 46% State Aid
- 51% Local share (Tax Levy and STAR Reimbursement)
- 3% Other (Use of Facilities, Shared Services, Athletic Mergers & Interest)

Allocations = Programming (2016-2017)

- 7.89% Administration
- 76.59% Programming
- 15.52% Capital

School Business Executive explained the Bussing Proposition.

- The district is asking our voters to approve the sale or trade of four (4) busses while purchasing four (4) busses.
- The district will receive roughly 68.4% of this money back in state aid.
- The Transportation Proposition asks for an amount not to exceed \$440,000 with the district receiving 68.4% back in NYS aid.

A question and answer period followed.

Public Comment

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Stephen LaFlam asked about the Capital Reserve Proposition and why the district doesn't address veterans. The district explained the Capital Reserve Proposition and Board Member Marin explained the Veterans Exemption.

Adjournment

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It was moved by Leonard King, seconded by Michael Hagadorn and carried, that the meeting be adjourned. Time 7:46 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,
Joanne Menard, District Clerk