

# Beekmantown Central School District

## Board of Education Work Session

Place: MS/HS Library

January 23, 2007

Time: 6:15 p.m.

### Agenda

#### 1. Call to Order

at: 6:15 p.m.

by: Stan Kourofsky

##### A. Pledge of Allegiance

##### B. Roll Call

☐ Karen Armstrong  
☐ Jane Donahue  
☒ Kathleen Grinberg-Funes

☒ Frank Hay  
☒ Leonard King  
☒ Stan Kourofsky

☒ Richard LaVigne  
☒ George Palmer  
☒ Steve Trombley

##### Also Present

Mark Sposato   Ron Clamser   Ed Cook

##### Visitors

Susan King   Lucy Giroux   Patty Gallagher   Jennifer Ganbera   David Witkowski

#### 2. Unfinished Business (None at this time)

#### 3. Financial 6:16 p.m.

Review of the financial reports:

##### Appropriation Status Report (December)

*No questions were asked regarding the Appropriation Status Report.*

##### Treasurer's Revenue Report (December)

*Dr. Palmer asked if it was unusual to have a large outstanding balance for Gross State Aid at this point in time of the year. Mr. Clamser replied no, that it was not unusual. Mr. Clamser offered to provide detail of what the outstanding balance is and Dr. Palmer said that it wasn't necessary.*

##### Cafeteria Revenue & Expense Report (December)

*Ms. Grinberg-Funes asked why the large increase in Misc. Revenue. Mr. Clamser replied that the cafeteria has been offering new items that have been very successful. He will follow-up to the Board with specific detail regarding the increase in Misc. Revenue.*

##### Treasurer's Monthly Report (December)

*No questions were asked regarding the Treasurer's Monthly Report.*

##### Trial Balance (December)

*No questions were asked regarding the Trial Balance.*

##### Warrant Report (December)

*No questions were asked regarding the Warrant Report.*

##### Extra-Curricular Activities Account – (December)

*Dr. Palmer asked if the new MS Fitness Club will be reflected in this report. Mr. Clamser replied yes, the clubs activity will be reflected in future month.*

*Being no further questions, all of the financial reports were moved to the Business Meeting.*

#### 4. Additional Items to Discuss 6:33 p.m.

- ❖ Establish non-contractual instructional Site Coordinator (substitute) rates for athletic events.

*Mr. Cook, Athletic Director spoke to the Board regarding the request to establish a non-contractual instructional Site Coordinator to substitute for athletic events in the absence of the Athletic Director. The discussion included that this practice has been done in the past, however, there has never been a Board established rate of pay. Dr. Palmer asked for clarification on what a Chaperone is. Mr. Cook replied the Chaperones are not qualified to fill that role. Ms. Grinberg-Funes asked where this money is coming from. Dr. Sposato replied that while this was not specifically budgeted, there is money in the Athletic budget that can be used for this purpose. Mr. LaVigne asked who is responsible for kids wandering the halls. Mr. Cook replied that he would like to establish a no-entry rule that would restrict people from re-entering the event*

after they have left. Dr. Palmer wanted to be assured that the Superintendent will oversee the use of these funds in-order to avoid abuse. The Board agreed to move this forward to the Business Meeting.

❖ **Policies**

- **Jury Duty**

Dr. Sposato reported that it was discovered recently the Board does not currently have a policy to cover payment for Jury Duty. The school district has a long standing practice of paying employees who serve for Jury Duty. The policy will make this practice legitimate. The Board agreed to move the policy forward to the Business Meeting.

- **Interscholastic Athletics** (Athletic Code of Conduct)

Mr. Trombley spoke regarding the need to revise the policy pertaining to the Appeals Committee. The Board discussed options for clarifying the appeals process. These items included: timeline for establishing the Appeals Committee, timeline for length of appeal, objectivity of the process, change in specific wording, and clarifying the appeals process at the Superintendent level. The Board agreed to have Mr. Trombley and Mr. Kourofsky work with Mr. Cook to make revisions to the policy. Ms. Grinberg-Funes asked the Superintendent to inform the Board thru his updates about incidents that happen requiring an Appeals Committee to be convened. She also asked that all of the Board members be asked if they want to serve on such a committee.

- **Substitutes**

Dr. Sposato stated that there is a need to appoint some Substitutes quickly and asked the Board to allow him to bring those appointments to the Feb. Business Meeting without the Board reviewing them at the Work Session. After some discussion, a motion was made to approve the substitute appointments as recommended by the Superintendent beginning on the date indicated:

Name	Substitute	Effective Date
LaFountain, Kelly	Non-Instructional	01/25/07
Mosher, Michelle	Non-Instructional	01/25/07

Motion: FH      Seconded: RL      Yes: 7      No:      Abstain:      (Accept    Reject    Table)

- **Other**

Mr. King requested clarification from the Board regarding his role on the School Safety Plans & Teams Committee. He hasn't received any information since the Board asked him to serve at the Oct. 10, 2006 meeting. Mr. Kourofsky said he would follow-up.

Mr. LaVigne asked if any exit interviews have been done. Dr. Sposato replied yes and the Board will receive an annual report to review at the end of the year.

**5. Adjournment**

7:35 p.m.

Motion: FH      Seconded: RL      Yes: 7      No:      Abstain:      (Accept    Reject    Table)