

Beekmantown Central School District

Board of Education Meeting

Tuesday, October 9, 2007

Place: MS/HS Library

Minutes

Call to Order

President Richard LaVigne called the meeting to order at 6:18 pm and lead the board in the pledge of allegiance.

Roll Call

Members Present

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Karen Armstrong	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Frank Hay	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Richard LaVigne
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Earl Burnell	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Leonard King	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> George Palmer
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Kathleen Grinberg-Funes	<input type="checkbox"/> Stan Kourofsky - absent	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Steve Trombley
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Jeff Stitt, Ex-Officio, Student Board Member		

Others Present

Present

Scott Amo, Superintendent
Garth Frechette, HS Principal
Sue Coonrod, MS Principal
Sandra Gardner, BE Principal
Diane Fox, CH Principal
Ed Cook, Director of PE, Athletics, Health, & Health Services
Micheline DeBella, Director of Special Services
Don Strong, Supt. of Building & Grounds
Kevin Hebert, Head Automotive Mechanic
Roxann Barnes, School Lunch Manager
Gary Lambert, Educational Technology Coordinator
Ron Clamser, Business Manager
Joseph Lavorando, School Attorney
Joanne Menard, District Clerk

Absent

Dan Hobbs, Head Bus Driver

Visitors

Margo Burnell	Susan King	Robert King	Jon Denny
Bill Bechard	Greg Waters	Julie Foster	Lori Mathieu
Karen Foster	Jill Beeman	Ilene Fessette	Greg Fessette
Frank Buksa	Fred Palmer	Marian Palmer	Thomas Ryder
Bryan Foster	Julie Jock	Lucy Giroux	Patty Gallagher
Richard Foster	Corey Davenport	Robert Davenport	

Approval of Agenda

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It was moved by Karen Armstrong, seconded by Leonard King and unanimously carried, that the Board of Education approve the agenda.

Presentation

Presentation Gary Lambert

Topic: "Technology Map: The Road for 2007-2008 and Beyond"
Presenter: Gary Lambert

Gary Lambert, Education Technology Coordinator gave a presentation on the District's Education Technology Program from July 1997 to the present. He stated what the District has accomplished to date, what the District will accomplish in 2007-2008, and what will be done in 2008 and beyond.

Greg Fessette made a presentation to support parents to be named volunteer coaches for the sports their individual children may participate in. Mr. Fessette submitted a signed petition in support of his position.

Jon Denny also made a presentation to the Board in support of individual volunteer coaches and their value to the hockey program. In addition, he advocated for parents to be named volunteer coaches for the sports their individual children may participate in.

Reports/Presentations

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Scott Amo, Superintendent of Schools reported on the following:

- Stated Principal Sue Coonrod made a presentation at the BOCES Sponsored Middle Level ELA Forum in September on the topic of creating a culture of literacy in the middle school. For her efforts, a letter of appreciation was sent by BOCES.
- The NYS Art Teachers Association has informed the district that artwork by some of our students will be on display at the NYS School Boards Association Conference in New York City on October 26 & 27. Student work was recommended by our teachers and will be appreciated by many visitors at the conference. Congratulations to our students!
- The District has been awarded a \$50,000 grant for a teacher-mentoring program. He thanked Principal Diane Fox for drafting the grant proposal. The district and the Teachers Association will be collaborating soon to identify teacher mentors and program design opportunities for our newest teachers.
- Stated he was looking for three dates from the Operation Committee members so a meeting could be scheduled. The time of 3:30 pm was established with committee members submitting available dates.
- Informed the Board that the District will make arrangements for NERIC to identify a person to serve our District as a Data Readiness Coordinator/Registrar. It was explained that the individual would be assigned to Gary Lambert's office, three days per week.
- At the time of appointment, Carol Lyons, Mathematics 7-12 teacher start date was "open ended" and the actual date was September 6, 2007.

*Superintendent**Business Manager*

Ron Clamser, Business Manager reported on the following:

- Stated the auditors have completed the 2006-2007 audit report and the audit committee now needs to meet. The audit report is due to the State Education Department by October 16, 2007; however, State Ed has a 30-day grace period. The Business Manager stated the delay was a new SAS 112 reading, which is new this calendar year, which the auditors wanted clarification on. The audit committee agreed to meet on October 16, 2007 at 2:30 pm in the conference room at the district offices.
- Stated last year the District held a district-wide garage sale. The district has items stored at West Chazy that did not sell last year and additional items have been brought there. Last year the bus garage auctioned some items off. He stated items have already been removed from the district's inventory and have no value.

*Student Board
Member*

Jeff Stitt, Ex-Officio, Student Board Member had no report at this time.

Minutes

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It was moved by Leonard King, seconded by Steve Trombley and unanimously carried, that the Board of Education does hereby approve the minutes of the meeting of the Board of Education held on:

September 25, 2007 Board of Education Meeting/Work Session
September 25, 2007 Audit Committee

New Business

CSE Recommendations

CSE

Recommendations

It was moved by Kathleen Grinberg-Funes, seconded by Frank Hay and unanimously carried, that the Board of Education approve the CSE recommendations dated 10/09/07.

Miscellaneous

It was moved by Steve Trombley, seconded by Karen Armstrong and unanimously carried, that the Board of Education approve the Side Letter of Understanding with the Beekmantown Teachers' Association regarding under Article V: Other Professional Compensation, C Extra-Curricular Assignments, 1. Athletics which will allow title changes and compensation changes as follows:

Indoor Track Head Coach (Girls)	\$1,754.50
Indoor Track Head Coach (Boys)	\$1,754.50

Furthermore, the Board of Education grants permission to the Superintendent of Schools to sign this document on behalf of the District

Personnel

Appointments

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It was moved by Steve Trombley, seconded by George Palmer and unanimously carried, that the Board of Education approve the following winter athletic appointments for the 2007-2008 school year as indicated:

Winter Athletic Positions

Assignment	Name	Total 2007-2008
Basketball - Head JV (Girls)	LePage, Steve	\$3,497
Basketball - Modified B (Boys) Team 1	Fragassi, Mark	\$2,160
Basketball - Modified B (Girls) Team 2	Mulverhill, Barry	\$2,160
Basketball - Modified A (Girls)	Mulverhill, Barry	\$2,644
Basketball - Modified B (Girls) Team 1	Williams, Tiffani	\$2,160
Bowling - Assistant (Mixed)	Garrant, James	\$1,066
Bowling - Head Coach (Mixed)	Stone, Charlie	\$2,658
Cheerleading - Basketball - Varsity	Knight, Sara	\$2,242
Cheerleading - JV Basketball	Hager, Rebecca	\$1,906
Hockey - Assistant	Crippen, Jason	\$3,161
Hockey - Head Coach	Bechard, William	\$4,816
Indoor Track – Head Coach(Girls)	Coughlin, Tracy	\$1,754.50
Indoor Track - Head Coach (Boys)	Moss, Ron	\$1,754.50

Assignment	Name	Total 2007-2008
Volleyball - Head JV	Rankin, Kendi	\$2,514
Volleyball - Head Varsity	Hileman, Shana	\$3,427
Volleyball - Modified	Fragassi, Maureen	\$1,724
Volleyball - Modified	<i>Vacant</i>	
Wrestling - Assistant	Renadette, Dennis	\$3,161
Wrestling - Head Coach	Gadway, Leonard	\$4,816
Wrestling - Modified	Gregory, Kevin	\$2,313
Basketball – Varsity Girls Assistant	Munson, Katie	-0-
Wrestling – Varsity Assistant	Gadway, Gary	-0-

*Appointments
Substitutes
Instructional*

It was moved by Earl Burnell, seconded by Leonard King and unanimously carried, that the Board of Education approve the following *substitute* appointments beginning on the date indicated:

Name	Substitute	Effective Date
Armstrong, Keith	Instructional	10/11/07

*Creation of 12 month
Transportation
Supervisor Position*

It was moved by Karen Armstrong, seconded by Steve Trombley and unanimously carried, that the Board of Education create a 12-month Transportation Supervisor position effective November 1, 2007. This position will be included in the Beekmantown Support Staff Supervisor's Association Contract.

*Appointment
Cindy Allen to
provide computer
instruction at Clinton
County Jail until
1/1/08*

It was moved by Frank Hay, seconded by Leonard King and unanimously carried, that the Board of Education appoint Cindy Allen to provide computer instruction to replace Jennifer Carron who is on emergency medical leave until approximately 1/1/08 for Incarcerated Youth Program under the supervision of the Coordinator of Incarcerated Youth Program at the Clinton County Jail for 3½ hours per week in the evening at a rate of \$30.00 per hour (grant funded) effective 10/10/07.

Miscellaneous

*Adventure Club Field
Trips*

It was moved by Karen Armstrong, seconded by Steve Trombley and unanimously carried, that the Board of Education approve the following Adventure Club Field Trips for the 2007-2008 school year.

Date	Event	Location	Per Person
October 2007	Jet Boating/Imax	Montreal	\$34.00
December 2007	Indoor Rock Climbing	Montreal	\$15.00
January/February 2008	Skiing/Snow Boarding	Vermont	\$25.00
March 2008	Trapezing	Montreal	\$10.00
April 2008	Mountain Biking	Vermont	\$15.00
May 2008 (3 days & 2 nights)	Camping Trip	Adirondacks	\$10.00

Note: Total cost, number of buses & chaperones are contingent upon the number of 6-12 students that register for the trip.

Donations

Financial

It was moved by Karen Armstrong, seconded by Kathleen Grinberg-Funes and roll-call voted that the Board of Education accept the following donations and approve amending the District's budget to be increased in the amount of \$6,537.56.

From	For	Amount
Booster Club	Football Equipment	\$1,577.56
Booster Club	Construction materials for wrestling room	\$1,500.00
Booster Club	Hydration refractor for wrestlers	\$ 460.00
Beekmantown Elementary FSO	Musical Instruments	\$3,000.00

The roll-call vote was as follows:

Karen Armstrong	Aye	Stan Kourofsky	Absent
Earl Burnell	Aye	Richard LaVigne	Aye
Kathleen Grinberg-Funes	Aye	George Palmer	Aye
Frank Hay	Aye	Steve Trombley	Aye
Leonard King	Aye		

BAN's for buses

It was moved by Kathleen Grinberg-Funes, seconded by Leonard King and roll-call voted, that the Board of Education does hereby authorize the following BAN's for buses at the lowest interest rate possible and on the maturity date indicated:

Payment No.	Amount	Due Date
5 of 5 payments	\$56,735.20	10/23/07

The roll-call vote was as follows:

Karen Armstrong	Aye	Stan Kourofsky	Absent
Earl Burnell	Aye	Richard LaVigne	Aye
Kathleen Grinberg-Funes	Aye	George Palmer	Aye
Frank Hay	Aye	Steve Trombley	Aye
Leonard King	Aye		

Transfers

It was moved by Kathleen Grinberg-Funes, seconded by Frank Hay and roll-call voted that the Board of Education approve the following year end transfers for the 2006-2007 school year:

Business Admin Salaries to Chief School Admin Salaries (Superintendent Agreement)

From:	To:	Amount:
A13101600000	A12401500000	\$8,000.00

Supervision NI Salaries to In-Service Training BOCES (Reconciliation)

From:	To:	Amount:
A20201600000	A20704900000	\$7,484.00

Teaching Salaries 6-8 to Teaching Salaries NI (Reconciliation)

From:	To:	Amount:
A21101200000	A21101600000	\$6,654.75

Teaching Salaries 6-8 to Teaching Incarcerated Youth Cont. (Incarcerated Youth Grant)

From:	To:	Amount:
A21101200000	A21104000600	\$23,066.66

Teaching Incarcerated Youth Salaries to Teaching Incarcerated Youth Materials & Supplies (Incarcerated Youth Grant)

From:	To:	Amount:
A21101500000	A21104500600	\$4,159.12

Tuition Other Schools to Teaching BOCES (Reconciliation)

From:	To:	Amount:
A21104700000	A21104900000	\$4,365.54

Transportation Diesel Fuel to Transportation Equipment (Purchased Mini Van)

From:	To:	Amount:
A55103070000	A55102000000	\$15,050.00

Teachers Retirement Program to Teachers Retirement Admin (Reconciliation)

From:	To:	Amount:
A90208002200	A90208002100	\$8,332.97

Principal Serial Bonds to Debt Service (Auditors Journal Entry)

From:	To:	Amount:
A97116000000	A99509000000	\$1,835,000.00

Interest Serial Bonds to Debt Service (Auditors Journal Entry)

From:	To:	Amount
A97117000000	A99509000000	\$1,031,282.00

The roll-call vote was as follows:

Karen Armstrong	Aye	Stan Kourofsky	Absent
Earl Burnell	Aye	Richard LaVigne	Aye
Kathleen Grinberg-Funes	Aye	George Palmer	Aye
Frank Hay	Aye	Steve Trombley	Aye
Leonard King	Aye		

*Greater Adirondack
Perinatal Network
Grant*

It was moved by Steve Trombley, seconded by George Palmer and roll-call voted that the Board of Education accept the Greater Adirondack Perinatal Network Grant in the amount of \$1,080 for either money or supplies of comparable value for a lactation program for school employees.

The roll-call vote was as follows:

Karen Armstrong	Aye	Stan Kourofsky	Absent
Earl Burnell	Aye	Richard LaVigne	Aye
Kathleen Grinberg-Funes	Aye	George Palmer	Aye
Frank Hay	Aye	Steve Trombley	Aye
Leonard King	Aye		

Capital Project

*Capital Bill from
Thomas Group*

It was moved by Frank Hay, seconded by Leonard King and roll-call voted that the Board of Education approve payment for Project #143-6470 (design and engineering fees for the Middle School/High School Auditorium & Cumberland Head Entry way) from the *District Capital Project Initiative* funds as indicated:

Application No.	Name	Amount
50103751	Thomas Group of Companies, Inc.	\$6,510.66

The roll-call vote was as follows:

Karen Armstrong	Aye	Stan Kourofsky	Absent
Earl Burnell	Aye	Richard LaVigne	Aye
Kathleen Grinberg-Funes	Aye	George Palmer	Aye
Frank Hay	Aye	Steve Trombley	Aye
Leonard King	Aye		

*Ex-Officio, Student
Board Member*

Additional Items to Discuss

- *Ex-Officio, Student Board Member*

Discussion followed on the Ex-Officio, Student Board Member having assigned tasks to report on at the Board meeting like in the past. The Board asked Jeff Stitt, Ex-Officio, Student Board Member, what the student council was working on. Jeff Stitt stated this was Home Coming weekend, Spirit week and a football game is scheduled for Saturday.

Public Comment (None)

Executive Session

Executive Session

*Discuss a particular
person or person's
employment history*

7:52 pm. It was moved by Steve Trombley, seconded by Earl Burnell, and unanimously carried, that the Board enter executive session to discuss a particular person or person's employment history.

9:25 pm. It was moved by Kathleen Grinberg-Funes, seconded by Leonard King, and unanimously carried, that the Board return to regular session.

Clerk Pro-Tem

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It was moved by Karen Armstrong, seconded by Earl Burnell and unanimously carried, that Richard LaVigne be appointed Clerk Pro-Tem.

Additions to Agenda

*Added Winter Athletic
Positions to Agenda*

It was moved by Kathleen Grinberg-Funes, seconded by Frank Hay, and unanimously carried, that the following winter athletic positions be added to tonight's agenda.

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Basketball - Head Varsity (Boys)	Converse, Ryan	\$4,816
Basketball - Head Varsity (Girls)	Waters, Greg	\$4,816
Basketball - Modified A (Boys)	Bursik, Peter	\$2,644
Basketball - Modified B (Boys) Team 2	Bursik, Peter	\$2,160
Basketball – Varsity Boys Assistant	Bursik, Peter	-0-

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Basketball - Modified B (Boys) Team 2	Bursik, Peter	\$2,160
Basketball – Varsity Boys Assistant	Bursik, Peter	-0-

Adjournment

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It was moved by Steve Trombley, seconded by Leonard King, and unanimously carried, that the meeting be adjourned. Time 9:26 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,
Joanne Menard, District Clerk