

Present: Mrs. Jennifer Rosen, President; Mr. Michael Haberman; Mr. Jonathan Satran;
Mr. Paul Wasserman

Absent: Mrs. Dina Brantman, Vice President

Also Present: Mr. James Kaishian; Superintendent of Schools; Mr. Stuart Matthey, Asst. Superintendent for Finance & Operations; Dr. Kusum Sinha, Asst. Sup't for Curriculum, Instruction & Assessment and H.R.; Mr. David Shaw, School Attorney; Juanita Brockett, District Clerk

The Briarcliff Manor Board of Education held a meeting on Monday, March 9, 2015 in the Middle School Theater and it was called to order by Mrs. Rosen at 7:02 P.M.

On motion by Mr. Haberman, seconded by Mr. Wasserman and passed 4-0, the Board moved to immediately adjourn into executive session for the purpose of discussing the employment history of particular persons, Taylor Law negotiations and to seek legal counsel.

On motion by Mr. Haberman, seconded by Mr. Satran and passed 4-0, the Board moved to adjourn executive session and return to public session at 7:35P.M.

Presentations

Mr. Kaishian gave a Powerpoint presentation on the Superintendent's 2015-2016 proposed budget.

Work Session

- School Calendar 2015-16 – Mr. Kaishian presented three options. It was the consensus of the Board to adopt option 1.
- There was a follow-up discussion on the one-to-one technology initiative.
- The Alternative Veteran's Exemption was discussed.

The following financial work session items were reviewed:

- Budget transfers requiring pre-approval
- Budget transfers through March 5, 2015
- Financial reports for Jan. 2015: Treasurer's Report, Appropriation Status Report, Revenue Status Report
- January 2015 Warrants: #8 Fund A; #7 Fund TA; #7 Fund H
- General Fund expenditure and revenue reports for January 2015

The Board conducted a 1st reading of the following policies:

Subject	NYSSBA Policy#	Briarcliff Policy#
• Superintendent of Schools	3100	4200
• Duties of the Superintendent	3120	4200, 4210
• Admin Authority During Absence of Sup't of Schools	3121	4110
• Administrative Latitude With Board Policy	3122	4120, 4210
• Line Responsibility	3231	4101
• Evaluation of Admin Staff	3240	4141
• Student Learning Standards	4000	New

BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING
MINUTES

March 9, 2015

• Curriculum Management	4200	8100, 8110, 8250
• HS Credit for College Courses	4334.1	7240 (modified)
• Library /Media Materials Selection	4513	8300 (Part)
• Grading System	4710	New
• Limited English Proficiency Instruction	4326	8572

Approval of Minutes

On motion by Mr. Haberman, seconded by Mrs. Satran and passed 3-0, the Board move to approve the minutes of the Board of Education meeting held on February 23, 2015 as presented.

Mr. Satran abstained as he was not present at the meeting.

Consent Agenda

On motion by Mr. Haberman, seconded by Mr. Satran and passed 4-0, the Board move to amend consent agenda item regarding BOCES Cooperative Bidding to include “construction electricity” and “commercial supplies.”

On motion by Mr. Haberman, seconded by Mr. Satran and passed 4-0, the Board moved to approve the following consent agenda items as amended.

Donations/Grants

RESOLVED, that upon the Board of Education does hereby accept, with appreciation, the BMEF grant in the amount of \$1,200 awarded to Todd School Nurse, Alma Medeo to attend the National Association of School Nurses Annual Conference in June 2015.

Personnel

- (a) RESOLVED, the Board of Education does hereby accept the resignation of, with appreciation of her 20 years of service to the District, Ms. Michelle Weigand for the purpose of retirement effective August 28, 2015.
- (b) RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education does hereby approve an additional .1 FTE increase for Mr. John Fasano to cover the Math Lab , effective March 10, 2015 through June 12, 2015.
- (c) RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education does hereby approve three (3) additional hours per week for Ms. Rebecca Rampolla to work with a special education student after school, effective February 9, 2015 retroactive for the remainder of the 2014-2015 school year.
- (d) RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education does hereby approve the following coaches for the spring 2015 season:

COACHING ASSIGNMENT	NAME	NEW	INCUMBENT	STIPEND
Mod. Baseball Head Coach	Michael Trainor	X		\$3153.00
Fitness Room Supervisor	Thomas Albano		X	

Health Services Contracts

- (a) RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education does hereby approve the Health Services Contract with the Harrison Central School District in the amount of \$4,349.84 for four (4) Briarcliff students who attend private school in the Harrison School District.
- (b) RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education does hereby approve the Health Services Contract with the Ardsley Union Free School District in the amount of \$2,575.46 for two (2) Briarcliff students who attend private school in the Ardsley School District.
- (c) RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education does hereby approve the Health Services Contract with the Bedford Central School District in the amount of \$3,026.67 for three (3) Briarcliff students who attend private school in the Bedford School District.
- (d) RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education does hereby approve the Health Services Contract with the Somers Central School District in the amount of \$984.13 for one (1) Briarcliff student who attends private school in the Somers School District.
- (e) RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education does hereby approve the Health Services Contract with the White Plains Public Schools in the amount of \$5,986.96 for seven (7) Briarcliff students who attend private school in the White Plains School District.

Budget Transfer

RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education does hereby approve the budget transfer in the amount of \$775,431.31 to cover projected payroll expenses through June 30, 2015.

School Calendar 2015-2016

RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education does hereby approve Option #1 version of the 2015-16 school calendar as presented by the Superintendent and incorporated by reference within the minutes of this meeting.

Policies

- (a) RESOLVED, that the Board of Education does hereby approve the renumbering of the following Board policies to conform to the NYSSBA Policy Manual numbering:

	NYSSBA Policy #	Briarcliff Policy #
Line Responsibility	3231	4101

Administrative Authority During Absences of the Superintendent of Schools	3121	4110
Superintendent –Board of Education Relations	3120 & 3122	4210

- (b) RESOLVED, that the Board of Education does hereby approve the renaming and renumbering of the following Board policy to conform to the NYSSBA Policy Manual numbering:

Formerly: Administrative Latitude in the Absence of Board Briarcliff Policy # 4120
Renamed: Administrative Latitude with Board Policy NYSSBA # 3122

- (c) RESOLVED, that the Board of Education hereby revokes and removes the following policies from the Policy Manual, which policies have become integrated in other policies or are unnecessary:
- Briarcliff Policy # 4100 (Administrative Organization & Operation)
 - Briarcliff Policy # 4130 (Use of Committees)
 - Briarcliff Policy # 4210 (Superintendent-Board of Education Relations)
 - Briarcliff Policy # 4220 (Asst. Superintendent for Business)
 - Briarcliff Policy # 4300 (Building Principals)
 - Briarcliff Policy # 4310 (Administrative Assistant)
 - Briarcliff Policy # 4320 (Team Leaders and Department Coordinators)

10.7 PNW BOCES Cooperative Bidding 2015-16

WHEREAS it is the desire of the participating school districts of the Board of Cooperative Educational Services, Putnam/Northern Westchester Counties, adopting this resolution to jointly request bids for certain commodities to be determined by the Superintendent of this school district from time to time for the 2015/2016 school year,

NOW, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the BRIARCLIFF MANOR SCHOOL DISTRICT School District hereby agrees to participate with other school districts of the Board of Cooperative Educational Services, Putnam/Northern Westchester Counties, New York, in the joint bidding of commodities to be requested by the school district Purchasing Agent and approved by the Superintendent; and be it further

RESOLVED that the specifications as prepared by a Steering Committee of participating school districts and presented to this Board of Education will be used and that this Board, if it desires to purchase these commodities agrees to purchase said commodities at the lowest bid price recommended by the Steering Committee of the joint school districts; provided, however, that each participating Board of Education in exercising its legal responsibilities, has the right to reject and/or modify the recommendation of the Steering Committee in the awarding of the bid; and be it further

RESOLVED that the invitation to bid will be advertised by BOCES in the Journal News in accordance with the provisions of Section 103 of the General Municipal Law.

COMODITIES	YES	<u>NO</u>
ART SUPPLIES	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>
AUTO REPLACEMENT PARTS	<u> </u>	<u> X </u>
CUSTODIAL & CULINARY ART SUPPLIES	<u> </u>	<u> X </u>
FINE PAPER SUPPLIES	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>
HEALTH SUPPLIES	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>
OFFICE/GENERAL SUPPLIES	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>
AUTOMOTIVE SUPPLIES	<u> </u>	<u> X </u>
AUTO BODY SUPPLIES	<u> </u>	<u> X </u>
CARPENTRY SUPPLIES	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>
CONSTRUCTION ELECTRICITY	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>
COMMERCIAL ART SUPPLIES	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>
COSMETOLOGY SUPPLIES	<u> </u>	<u> X </u>
HVAC SUPPLIES	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>
PLUMBING SUPPLIES	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>
SCIENCE SCHOOL AND LAB SUPPLIES	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>
SCIENCE HARDWARE AND SCIENCE ART SUPPLIES	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>
URBAN FORESTRY	<u> </u>	<u> X </u>
WELDING SUPPLIES	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>

<u>TIME AND MATERIALS</u>	<u>YES</u>	<u>NO</u>
PAINTING (General Wall Painting)	<u> </u>	<u> X </u>
ASPHALT PAVING AND SITE WORK	<u> </u>	<u> X </u>

Action Items

E-Rate Exchange Service Agreement Category Two Filing

On motion by Mr. Haberman, seconded by Mrs. Rosen and passed 4-0, the Board moved to amend the following resolution to ad language included in the agreement.

On motion by Mr. Haberman, seconded by Mr. Satran, and passed 4-0, the Board moved to approve the following resolution as amended:

RESOLVED that, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education does hereby approve the proposal for E-Rate Category Two filing services in an amount of 3% of reimbursed funding plus a fee of \$500 from E-Rate Exchange, LLC for the 2015 funding year; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board hereby authorizes the Board President to execute the agreement between the District and E-Rate Exchange, LLC. A copy of such agreement shall be incorporated by reference within the minutes of this meeting.

Tax Certiorari

On motion by Mr. Haberman, seconded by Mr. Satran, and passed 4-0, it is hereby

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education does hereby authorize the refund of taxes in the amount of \$20,193.98 due for the property with tax identification number 98.10-1-6 as required by the terms of the Consent Judgment.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of Education does hereby approve an increase to budget line A1930.400 (Judgment and Claims) in the amount of \$6,130.42.

This expenditure represents tax certiorari refunds due for the 2008-09 school tax year in accordance with the terms of the Consent Judgment and will be funded from the Tax Certiorari Reserve.

Resolution to adopt the expedited material change to the District's APPR Plan Document for Classroom Teachers and Building Principals covered under Education Law Section 3012-c

On motion by Mr. Haberman, seconded by Mr. Satran, and passed 4-0, it is hereby

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education hereby adopts the Expedited Material Change to its Annual Professional Performance Review ("APPR") Plan for classroom teachers and building principals covered under Education Law Section 3012-c effective for the 2014-15 school year and thereafter, in accordance with the provisions of Education Law Section 3012-c(2)(1).

Alternative Veteran's Tax Exemption

On motion by Mr. Haberman, seconded by Mr. Satran, and passed 3-1, it is hereby

WHEREAS, the Board of Education wishes to adopt the provisions of Section 458-a of the Real Property Tax Law which would grant a partial exemption from taxation for school district purposes of certain real property situated in the School District and owned and used as the primary residence by eligible veterans (Alternative Veterans' Exemption); and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board, after having conducted a public hearing on December 15, 2014 and having given the public an opportunity to be heard on the issue of the Board's proposed adoption of the Alternative Veterans' Exemption pursuant to Section 458-a of the Real Property Tax law, hereby adopts the Alternative Veterans' Exemption for assessment rolls prepared on the basis of the taxable status date occurring on or after January 1, 2014, at the following basic maximum levels:

1. Basic Exemption - Tax exemption of 15% of the assessed value of the property, not to exceed \$12,000 or the product of \$12,000 multiplied by the latest state equalization rate for the assessing unit, whichever is less.
2. Combat Zone - An additional tax exemption of 10% of the assessed value of qualifying residential property of veterans who are documented to have served in a combat zone, not to exceed \$8,000 or the product of \$8,000 multiplied by the latest state equalization rate, whichever is less.
3. Disabled Veterans - In addition to the above exemptions, where the veteran received a compensation rating from the Veterans' Administration or Department of Defense based upon a service related disability, the qualifying residential property will be exempt to the extent of the product of the assessed

value multiplied by 50% of the veteran's disability rating, not to exceed \$40,000 or the product of \$40,000 multiplied by the latest state equalization rate, whichever is less; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board directs the District Clerk to provide a certified copy of this resolution to Westchester County and the assessors for the other taxing jurisdictions located within this School District.

Mrs. Rosen voted Nay.

On motion by Mr. Haberman, seconded by Mr. Satran and passed 4-0, the Board moved adjourn the public meeting at 10:25 P.M.