Present: Mrs. Janet Marinaccio, President; Mr. Guy Rotondo, Vice President; Mr. Eric

Bashford, Mr. Sal Maglietta; Mrs. Rosella Ranno

Also Present: Dr. Jerry Cicchelli, Interim Superintendent; Mr. David Shaw, School Attorney;

Ms. Susan Barossi, Ms. Nora Gallegos and Margaret Modugno, External Auditors with O'Connor Davis, Munns & Dobbins; Mr. James Kaishian, HS Principal; Mrs. Debora French, HS Asst. Principal; Ms. Juanita Brockett, District Clerk

A work session meeting of the Briarcliff Manor Board of Education was held on Monday, October 4, 2010 in the Middle School Library and was called to order by Mrs. Marinaccio at 6:00pm.

On motion by Mr. Rotondo, seconded by Mr. Bashford and passed 3-0, the Board moved to enter into executive session at 6:05pm to discuss Taylor Law negotiations and particular personnel matters.

Mrs. Ranno arrived at 6:07

Mr. Shaw arrived at 6:10pm

Mr. Maglietta arrived at 6:15pm.

On motion by Mr. Rotondo, seconded by Mr. Bashford and passed 5-0, the Board moved to return to public session at 7:55pm.

#### **Work Session Items**

- Ms. Susan Barossi, Ms. Nora Galleros, & Margaret Modugno, External Auditors with O'Connor Davies, Munns and Dobbins presented the June 30, 2010 Agreed Upon Procedures and the Year-End June 30, 2010 Financial Statements. The External Auditor gave the district an unqualified opinion rating which is the best opinion a district can received. It states that the district has followed all accounting principles appropriately and that the financial reports are an accurate representation of the district's financial condition as of June 30, 2010.
- Dr. Serio-Vaughan provided an overview of the Special Education Two Year Plan.
- Mr. Kaishian provided an overview of activities planned for the Pocantico Hills School District parent visit on November 9, 2010.
- Mr. Kaishian discussed the Westchester County Regents results.
- Mr. Kaishian discussed the Pocantico Hills Student enrollment trend.
- The Board discussed and appointed members to liaison assignments.
- The Board discussed the superintendent search process. Requests for proposals will be sent out immediately.

- The Board and Asst. Superintendent for Business & Technology reviewed the budget development calendar.
- The Board discussed the PNW BOCES Special Board Election and agreed to meet on Nov. 9<sup>th</sup>, prior to the Pocantico Hills School District parent visit, for the purpose of voting for a new BOCES Board member.
- Mr. Bashford discussed letters to NYSDOT re: BMSD Use and Occupancy Permit #81774 related to the fields issue.
- The Board reviewed the request for the merger between Briarcliff & Edgemont for the Winter Varsity Gymnastics program.
- The Board reviewed sports participation numbers.
- The Board acknowledged the gift donation from Mrs. Pennacchio of white pea stone gravel for the MS school outdoor education program.
- Board Goals for 2010-11 will be reviewed at the next work session meeting.

# Personnel Work Session

- Dr. Cicchelli provided information on the request by teacher, Robert Iovino, to create a Green Team Club.
- Mr. Drosopoulos gave a summation regarding the need for an Asst. Cheerleading Coach.
- The Board discussed the Middle School Club Advisor appointments and a consensus was made to allow advisors to get started on their club activities. The Board will formally appoint at the October 25, 2010 Board of Education meeting.

### Policy Work Session

- A second reading for changes to policy #5765 regarding Vehicle Use was conducted.
- A second reading for changes to policy #5710 regarding Scheduling & Routing was conducted.

## **Contract Work Session**

- The following contract items were reviewed and discussed:
  - Cleaning contracts
  - o Student Assistance Counselor Services contract
  - o Consultant contract for Behavior Intervention Therapist
  - Lower Hudson Regional Information Center (LHRIC) Student Tracker for High Schools Agreement. (requires further review)
  - o Student Accident Insurance Renewal
  - Surveyor for MS/HS Property

## **Finance Work Session**

- The Board reviewed the Claims Audit Report for August 2010.
- The Board reviewed Budget Transfers
- The Board reviewed of the following Financial reports for August 2010: Treasurer's Report, Appropriation Status Report and Revenue Status Report
- The board reviewed the following warrants: Warrant #3 Fund A \$1,550,422.84; Warrant # 3 Fund TA \$2,179,114.55

On motion by Mr. Rotondo, seconded by Mr. Bashford and passed 5-0, the Board moved to enter into executive session at 10:05pm for the purpose of discussing the employment history of a particular person.

On motion by Mr. Rotondo, seconded by Mr. Bashford and passed 5-0, the Board moved to return to public session at 10:20 and adjourn.