

BRIARCLIFF MANOR UNION FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT

Board of Education Meeting – Monday, April 5, 2010

Middle School Theater

7:00pm

Opening Items

Call to Order & Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call

It is anticipated that the Board will immediately adjourn into executive session at 7pm to discuss the employment of particular persons and potential litigation issues.

It is anticipated that the Board will reconvene the public session at 8pm and conduct regular business.

Board President's Remarks

Superintendent's Remarks

1. Student recognition
2. Approval of the minutes of the March 22, 2010 regular Board of Education meeting.

*The Board welcomes public comments on all work session items at this time.
(Please see Policy 2201 on last page of this agenda.)*

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Work Session Items

- a. Resignations
- b. Extended unpaid child care leave of absence request
- c. Leave Replacements
- d. Faculty members' request to register child in Briarcliff
- e. Substitute teachers
- f. Appointment of volunteer coach
- g. Appointment of Election Workers
- h. Appointment of Acting Principals
- i. Special Education CSE/CPSE & 504 Committee Recommendations
- j. NYSED Grant application
- k. Business Official candidate interviews
- l. Tax Exemption for Senior Citizens and Disabled Persons
- m. Student Exchange, Digital Learning, and International Collaboration (SEDLIC) Initiative

4.

Contract Work Session Items

- a. Educational Data Services Inc.,
- b. Special Education Service Agreement
- c. Consultant for Todd Oil Spill
- d. Special Education tuition contract

5.

Financial Work Session Items

- a. Pre-approval of budget transfers
- b. Review of the following financial reports for February 2010: Treasurer's Report; Appropriation Status Report; Revenue Status Report; Fund Balance Projection
- c. Verizon Tax Certiorari Refund

6.

Policy Work Session Item

- a. Software Policy 1st Reading

7.

Budget Presentations & Discussion

- a. PNW BOCES Health Consortium – Mr. David Stern
- b. PNW BOCES Budget Presentation – Dr. Tom Higgins
- c. BMSD BOCES Budget – Mrs. Ronnie Stowell
- d. General Budget Questions and Discussion

RESOLUTIONS

*The Board welcomes public comments on resolutions at this time.
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Consent Agenda

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education does hereby accept the resignation of teacher aide, Stephanie Guarino effective March 26, 2010.

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education does hereby approve the extended unpaid child care leave requested by Kym Trickle effective through June 30, 2010.

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education does hereby approve the extended unpaid child care leave requested by Elissa Novick effective November 3, 2010 through January 2, 2011.

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education does hereby approve the FTE increased of Karen McCarthy from .80 English to 1.0 English effective April 26, 2010 through June 25, 2010. This covers leave replacement of Thomas Kenney.

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education does hereby approve the appointment of Robert Kane as leave replacement English Teacher effective April 26, 2010 through June 25, 2010. This covers leave replacement of Thomas Kenney.

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education does hereby approve the appointment John M. Cipollina as substitute teacher.

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education does hereby approve the appointment Laura Curley as volunteer coach for JV Softball for the spring 2010 season.

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education does hereby approve the request of faculty member, Christopher Quinn to register his two daughters in the Briarcliff Schools in accordance with the provisions in the Briarcliff Teachers' Contract, Article VI, L.

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education does hereby approve the appointment of the following Election Inspectors for the May 18, 2010 Budget Vote and Board Elections: Marcia Seredynski, Domenica Leggio, Mildred Gonzalez, Joan Beicke, Regina Timmons, Rosemarie Hermann, Donna Jacobson, Karen Bernson, Minah Shah and Lila Woren, as needed, at a rate of 10/hr.

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education does hereby approve the appointment of the Mildred Gonzalez to assist with extended voter registration night on May 12, 2010 at a rate of \$12.5/hr for three hours.

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education does hereby approve the contract with Education Data Services Inc. for the licensing and maintenance fee in the amount of \$3,740.00 for the 2010-11 school year for consumable school supplies.

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education does hereby approve the consultant service provider agreement with Dr. Robert Milich, to provide social skills and group therapy for children on the Autism spectrum and an anticipated cost of \$2,500.

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education does hereby approve the budget transfer in the amount of \$60,000 to cover cost of related services for students attending special education programs in the Pleasantville School District.

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education does hereby approve the budget transfer in the amount of \$10,950 to cover cost of related services for students attending special education programs in the Irvington and Mt. Pleasant.

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education does hereby approve the CSE/CPSE/504 Committee recommendations for the period of January 2010 through March 2010.

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education does hereby authorize the Superintendent of Schools to apply for a \$100,000 educational enhancement grant through a NYSED special legislative project sponsored by Senator Oppenheimer.

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education does hereby approve the tuition contract for one special education student to attend the Summit School in Upper Nyack, New York for the period March 1, 2010 through June 30, 2010 at a monthly cost of \$2,898.

ACTION ITEMS

Board Goals & Objectives

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education does hereby adopt the Board Goals & Objectives for the 2010-11 school year as presented.

Consultant for Todd School Oil Spill

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education does hereby approve the RFQ submitted by AKRF for consulting and engineering services for the Todd School Oil Spill closure. Estimated Cost of \$16,215.00 with contingency related cost estimated at \$13,310.00.

Verizon Tax Certiorari

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education does hereby approve an increase to budget line A1930.4 (Judgment and Claims) in the amount of \$5,721.83. This expenditure represents the Verizon refunds for the 2007-2008 and 2008-2009 school tax years and will be funded from the Tax Certiorari Reserve account.

PNW Health Benefits Consortium Municipal Cooperation Agreement

WHEREAS Section 4705(a) of Article 47 of the New York State Insurance Law states

Section 4705 Municipal cooperation agreements

- (a) The municipal cooperation agreement, under which the municipal cooperative health benefit plan is established and maintained, and any amendment thereto, shall be approved by each participation municipal corporation by majority vote of each such corporation's governing body, and shall: and

WHEREAS Section 4705(a)(2) of Article 47 of the New York State Insurance Law states

- 2) that all participating municipal corporations agree to share the costs of and assume the liabilities for medical, surgical and hospital benefits provided under the municipal cooperative health benefit plan to the covered employees (including retirees) and their dependents of all participating municipal corporations;

NOW THEREFORE, be it RESOLVED that Municipal Cooperation Agreement, Form 7/1/2000, is amended by adding a new section 11, under Article VII to read:

- (11) It is understood that all participating municipal corporations agree to share the costs of and assume the liabilities for medical, surgical and hospital benefits provide under the municipal cooperative health benefit plan to the covered employees (including retirees) and their dependents of all participation municipal corporations.

Appointment of Acting Principals

RESOLVED in the event that James Kaishian, Principal of the Briarcliff High School is not physically present in the Briarcliff High School on one or more days (or portions thereof,) during the 2009-2010 school year, that Deborah French, Assistant Principal be appointed “Acting Principal” for all short-term student discipline matters pursuant to Section 3214 of the New York State Education Law; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the District Clerk shall forward a copy of this resolution to each of the above referenced persons.

BE IT RESOLVED in the event that Susan Howard, Principal of the Briarcliff Middle School is not physically present in the Briarcliff Middle School on one or more days (or portions thereof) during the 2009-2010 school year, that the Assistant Principal be appointed “Acting Principal” for all short-term student discipline matters pursuant to Section 3214 of the New York State Education Law; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the District Clerk shall forward a copy of this resolution to each of the above referenced persons.

BE IT RESOLVED in the event that Debra Cagliostro, Principal of the Todd Elementary School is not physically present in the Elementary School on one or more days (or portions thereof,) during the 2009-2010 school year, that Joy McCrosson be appointed “Acting Principal” for all short-term student discipline matters pursuant to Section 3214 of the New York State Education Law; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the District Clerk shall forward a copy of this resolution to each of the above referenced persons.

Public Comment

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Closing Items

Consideration of Executive Session Subject to Board Approval

Adjournment

FUTURE BOARD MEETING

April 12 - Adoption of the Budget

BRIARCLIFF MANOR UNION FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT
POLICY NO. 2201 – INTERNAL OPERATIONS

A. Community Participation at Board Meetings

1. Regular Meetings. The public will be encouraged to speak on Action Items before the Board votes. Normally, Board members will be called on to speak first if they wish to do so. Community input will also be heard at the time designated on the agenda for this purpose. Comments must be relevant to the Briarcliff School District.
2. Work Sessions. Community input will be heard before all work session items.
3. The community will be requested to direct their questions or comments to the presiding officer, who will redirect them to the Administration if this is appropriate. Dialogue among members of the audience will be discouraged.
4. When new questions or items are raised by the community, the Board will not feel compelled to respond immediately, but will acknowledge the issue and consider it at a later meeting if this is appropriate.
5. Any person who is unruly will be asked to leave.
6. Speakers from the public will be given three (3) minutes each to speak, unless the Board votes to extend the per speaker time limit at the beginning of the meeting. Each speaker will be allowed one opportunity to speak at each speaking segment of the meeting.