
Present: Mrs. Janet Marinaccio, President; Mr. Guy Rotondo, Vice President; Mrs. Stacy Agona, Mr. Eric Bashford
Absent: Mr. Krishnan Chittur
Also Present: Dr. Frances Wills, Superintendent; Ms. Stowell, Asst. Superintendent for Business & Technology; Ms. Juanita Brockett, District Clerk

A meeting of the Briarcliff Manor Board of Education was held on Monday, October 5, 2009 in the Middle School Theater and was called to order by Mrs. Marinaccio at 8:05 pm.

Dr. Wills read the following E-Rate Internet Safety Declaration required for compliance of the Children's Internet Protection Act (CIPA):

For our technology protection, we are using Sophos for our Internet filtering software and BOCES for firewall and intrusion protection.

Sophos software protects against access by adults and minors to visual depictions that are obscene, child pornography, or - with respect to use of computers with Internet access by minors - harmful to minors. The software may be disabled for adults engaged in bona fide research or other lawful purposes and requires a signed notice of responsibility. Our district policy includes monitoring the online activities of minors.

Our Internet Safety Policy addresses the following as required by CIPA:

- a. access by minors to inappropriate matter on the Internet and World Wide Web;*
- b. the safety and security of minors when using electronic mail, chat rooms, and other forms of direct electronic communications;*
- c. unauthorized access, including so-called "hacking," and other unlawful activities by minors online;*
- d. unauthorized disclosure, use, and dissemination of personal information regarding minors; and*
- e. measures designed to restrict minors' access to materials harmful to minors; and*
- f. educating minors about appropriate online behavior, including interacting with other individuals on social networking websites and in chat rooms and cyber bullying awareness and response.*

On motion by Mr. Rotondo, seconded by Mrs. Agona, and passed 4-0, it is hereby

RESOLVED that the Board approves the minutes of the September 21, 2009 Board of Education meeting.

The Board discussed the Districts' participation in the MSG Varsity/Cablevision program and will approve at the October 19, 2009 after some modifications to the wording of the contract.

The Board discussed resumes for the position of Asst. Superintendent for Business & Technology and will begin a process for conducting interviews.

Annual Professional Performance Review (APPR)

Dr. Wills presented the Annual Professional Performance Review (APPR) evaluation process for instructional staff.

On motion by Mr. Rotondo, seconded by Mrs. Agona and passed 4-0, it is hereby

RESOLVED that the Board adopts the Annual Professional Performance Review (APPR) presented by Dr. Wills.

NYSSBA Resolutions

The Board agreed to postpone discussion to the next meeting.

Board Goals & Objectives

Board members will submit suggested goals to the Board Vice President to be reviewed at the October 19, 2009 Board of Education meeting.

Freshman Basketball

The Board discussed adding an additional freshman basketball team

On motion by Mr. Rotondo, seconded by Mrs. Agona and passed 4-0, it is hereby

RESOLVED that the Board approves the addition of a freshman basketball team as discussed.

The Board discussed utilization of funds returned from the BPTA related to the school store.

The Board discussed a date for conducting interviews of legal firms.

The Board discussed the September 14, 2009 Audit Committee report on letters received from district resident Mr. John O'Reilly. It was noted that the report has been posted to the district website and that Mrs. Marinaccio had mailed Mr. O'Reilly a copy of the report. It was also noted that the corrective action deficiencies identified in the report (i.e. correction of tax certiorari reserve balance) have also been identified and addressed in both the June 30, 2008 Agreed Upon Procedures engagement (a special external audit of the district's June 30, 2008 balance sheet) and the June 30, 2009 fiscal year end audit. Both reports are expected to be submitted to the BOE for approval and filed with the district's supervising agencies by October 15th. In light of this, it was determined that no further work was required.

Board Policies

On motion by Mr. Rotondo, seconded by Mr. Bashford and passed 3-1, it is hereby

RESOLVED that the Board adopts policy on Code of Ethics For All District Personnel # 6160 regarding gifts as amended.

Mrs. Agona voted nay.

A first reading of proposed revisions to policy and procedures on Community Use of School Facilities # 3250 was conducted.

A first reading of proposed revisions to policy on Transportation Schedule & Routing # 5710 was conducted.

Mr. Rotondo provided an overview of how the budget is being structured and preliminary tax levy implications.

The Board reviewed and discussed Tax Certiorari Reserves; Employee Benefit Reserve Fund and Retirement Contribution Reserve Fund.

On motion by Mr. Rotondo, seconded by Mr. Bashford and passed 3-0, the Board moved to amend the financial work session agenda and move the review of claims auditor procedures to the next Board of Education meeting on October 19, 2009.

Mrs. Agona stepped out of the room for a few minutes and was not present for this vote.

Resolutions

Consent Agenda Items

On motion by Mr. Rotondo seconded by Mr. Agona and passed 4-0, the following consent agenda items were approved:

RESOLVED that the Board of Education accepts the unpaid child care leave of absence requested by Kim Tryckel effective November 16, 2009 through June 30, 2010.

RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves the appointment of Lorraine McDermott from a leave replacement position to a probationary position as elementary teacher effective September 14, 2009.

RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves the CSECPSE/504 recommendations for the month of September 2009.

RESOLVED that the Board of Education hereby awards bid proposal for the following transportation contracts

Route	Contractor	Lowest Bid
Irvington H.S. Special Education Student Late Dismissal	Chappaqua Transportation	\$80/day
Maria Regina H.S. in Hartsdale	Briarcliff Bus Company	\$60/day AM Route \$75/day PM Route

Action Items

On motion by Mr. Rotondo seconded by Mrs. Agona and passed 4-0, the following action items were approved:

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education hereby ratifies the exact amount in the 2008/09 tax certiorari reserve account on June 30, 2009 as \$1,449,012.16 which includes the allocation to the reserve of \$1,427,516 plus interest of \$21,496.16 earned as of June 30, 200

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education hereby ratifies the exact amount in the Employee Benefit Accrued Liability Reserve Fund as of June 30, 2009 as \$714,972, which includes the increase to the reserve of \$418,009 plus interest of \$3,313 earned as of June 30, 2009

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education hereby ratifies the exact amount in the Retirement Contribution Reserve for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2009 in the amount of \$400,000.

On motion by Mr. Rotondo, seconded by Mrs. Agona and passed 4-0, the Board moved to adjourn into executive session at 10:20pm to discuss particular personnel matters and potential litigation matters.

On motion by Mr. Rotondo, seconded by Mrs. Agona, and passed 4-0, the Board moved to return to public session at 11:12pm.

On motion by Mr. Rotondo, seconded by Mrs. Agona and passed 4-0, it is hereby

RESOLVED that the Board authorizes the Superintendent of Schools to sign settlement agreement regarding staff member # 105.

On motion by Mr. Rotondo, seconded by Mrs. Agona, and passed 4-0, the Board moved to adjourn the public session at 11:13pm.