
Present: Mrs. June Monaghan, President; Mrs. Lisa Tane, Vice President; Mrs. Stacy Agona; Mrs. Nina Quigley; Mrs. Janet Marinaccio;

Also Present: Dr. Frances Wills, Superintendent; Mrs. Barbara Briganti, Asst. Sup't., Business & Technology; Ms. Juanita Brockett, District Clerk

A meeting of the Briarcliff Manor Board of Education was held on Monday, November 3, 2008 in the Middle School Theatre and was called to order by Mrs. Monaghan at 8: 35p.m.

Superintendent's Remarks

Dr. Wills congratulated the Girls Varsity Soccer team for winning the Section 1 Title Championship. She also congratulated the Varsity Football team for their win this week.

Social Studies/Government Class

Students in Kristen Becerra's Sociology and Government Participation class showed their "Election/Voting" commercial which they themselves acted in, directed and produced.

Audit Report

Mrs. Auster reported on the adjustments made to the external auditor's financial report year ending June 2008 and recommended acceptance of the report.

On motion by Mrs. Tane, seconded by Mrs. Quigley and passed 4-1 it is

RESOLVED that the Board hereby accepts the audit report for year ending June 2008.

Mrs. Marinaccio voted nay. She stated that the entire report had not been examined for potential errors.

On motion by Mrs. Tane, seconded by Mrs. Quigley and passed 5-0 it is

RESOLVED that the Board hereby accepts the Extra-classroom Activity Fund-Cash Basis for year ending June 2008.

On motion by Mrs. Tane, seconded by Mrs. Quigley and passed 5-0 it is

RESOLVED that the Board hereby approves the hiring of a new external auditing firm to review material balances this year, in addition to conducting next year's audit.

On motion by Mrs. Tane, seconded by Mrs. Quigley and passed 5-0 it is

RESOLVED that the Board hereby approve the minutes of the Board of Education meeting held on October 22, 2008.

Audit Committee Membership

The Board discussed various options for membership on the audit committee and determined that action would be taken at the next meeting.

Community Service Presentation

Jim Kaishian gave a presentation on changes to the high school community service program. The Compact Committee is reviewing and will make recommendations in the spring.

Upon motion by Mrs. Tane, seconded by Mrs. Quigley and passed to 5-0, the Board moved to approve the following consent agenda items:

- a. Appointment of Donna Heyner as third grade team leader for the 2008-09 school year.
- b. Appointment of Alicia Moraitis as M.S. English curriculum Leader (shared stipend) for the 2008-09 school year
- c. Appointment of Robert Villanova as long-term substitute teacher to replace special education teacher, Kimberly O'Connor-Truett
- d. Appointment of Peter Rubeo as substitute production technician to record board meetings for the 2008-09 school year.
- e. Appointment of substitute teachers: Danielle Barone, Lauren Fried, Tom Gojcaj, Sarah Grimaldi and Peter Rubeo for the 2008-09 school year.
- f. Appointment of Paul Villanueva and Jason Maas to the Art/Music Festival program.
- g. Approval of the following Consultant Services Special Education Provider

Name of Agency	611	619	Total Disbursement
Alcott School	4 students at \$1,469	4 students at \$250	\$6,876
Devereux Foundation	1 student at \$1,469	-	\$1,469
HTA of New York	2 students at \$ 490 (RSO) 1 student at \$1,469	2 students at \$ 84 5 students at \$250	\$9,743
John A. Coleman	1 student at \$1,469	1 student at \$250	\$1,719
New England Center for Children	1 student at \$1,469	-	\$1,469
Summit School	1 student at \$1,469	-	\$1,469
The Children's School	1 student at \$1,469	1 student at \$250	\$1,719
TheraCare	1 student at \$ 490 (RSO) 9 students at \$1,469	1 student at \$ 84 9 students at \$250	\$16,045
Westchester Cty Health Dept.	8 students at \$1,469	8 students at \$250 (RSO)	\$13,752

- h. Appointment of Winter 2008 Coaching assignments:

Varsity Girls Basketball Head Coach	Don Hamlin
Varsity Girls Basketball Asst. Coach	Brian Byrnes
JV Girls Basketball Head Coach	Denise Hamlin
8 th Grade Girls Basketball Head Coach	Lori Galvin
Varsity Boys Basketball Head Coach	Matt Evangelista
Varsity Boys Basketball Asst. Coach	Michael Auerbach
JV Boys Basketball Head Coach	Brendan Coxen
Varsity Bowling	John Brooks
Varsity Cheerleading	Samantha Boyer
Varsity Boys Track Head Coach	Sharon Hughto
Varsity Girls Track Head Coach	AJ Thau
Varsity Track Asst. Coach	Vinny Magliulo
9 th Grade boys Basketball Head Coach	Gregory Muller
Cheerleading Co-Coaches	S. Boyer & D.Impemba
Modified Track Coach	George LaMar

- i. Authorization to dispose of the following obsolete computers:

Item	Asset #	Serial #	Reason for Disposal
Macintosh Emacs	100148	G8238384MUS	Obsolete
Macintosh Emacs	100150	G8238355MUS	Obsolete
Macintosh Emacs	100608	G82383RTMUS	Obsolete
Macintosh Emacs	100609	G83281BANLV	Obsolete
Macintosh Emacs	100610	17004A814490	Obsolete

- j. Approval of Tuition Payments to the following school districts for special education students attending out-of district schools.

School District	# of Students	Cost per pupil
Ardsley UFSD	1	\$60,090
Ardsley UFSD	1	\$63,690
Pleasantville UFSD	2	\$23,265

- k. Approval of Emergency 30-day transportation contract with Briarcliff Bus Company to transport a student to the Entrepreneurship program located at the Yorktown campus at Putnam/Northern Westchester BOCES.

Upon motion by Mrs. Tane, seconded by Mrs. Quigley and passed 5-0

RESOLVED that the Board hereby approves the appointment of Patricia Tranchina to a 1.0 probationary special education teacher position effective November 3, 2008, MA, Step 1.

Upon motion by Mrs. Tane, seconded by Mrs. Quigley and passed 5-0

RESOLVED that the Board hereby approves the creation of an Orchestra/String Ensemble Club at the middle school.

Upon motion by Mrs. Tane, seconded by Mrs. Quigley and passed 5-0

RESOLVED that the Board hereby approves the appointment of consultant CPA firm, O'Connor Davies Munns & Dobbins, to perform consulting services.

Upon motion by Mrs. Tane, seconded by Mrs. Quigley and passed 5-0

Whereas, the Bank of New York has brought tax certiorari proceedings to reduce its assessment for tax years 1993 through 2006; and

Whereas, the Town of Ossining has approved this settlement; and

Whereas, the Bank of New York has agreed to settle all tax years including a dismissal of tax years 1993 through 2003; and

Whereas, the settlement will result in a repayment of \$3,886.96 for the remaining years

Now, therefore, it is **RESOLVED** that:

1. The tax certiorari proceedings be resolved by reducing the assessment from \$51,000 to \$46,000 for years 2004 and 2005 and reducing 2006 from \$51,000 to \$50,000.

2. The Assistant Superintendent of Schools for Business is authorized to make a refund in the amount of \$3,886.96 to Bleakley Platt & Schmidt, LLP, as attorneys for the Bank, as a result of this settlement.

Upon motion by Mrs. Tane, seconded by Mrs. Quigley and passed 5-0

RESOLVED that the Board hereby approve the budget increase in line A1930.4 (Judgment and Claims) in the amount of \$2,766.75. This expenditure will be funded from the Tax Certiorari Reserve and paid in two equal installments, after confirming that the property owners have paid their school taxes to the Town of Mt. Pleasant.

Upon motion by Mrs. Tane, seconded by Mrs. Quigley and passed 5-0

RESOLVED that the Board hereby approves the CSE/CPSE/504 recommendations made from September 2008 through October 2008

Upon motion by Mrs. Tane, seconded by Mrs. Quigley and passed 5-0

RESOLVED that the Board hereby authorizes the Superintendent to enter into confidential settlement agreement regarding special education student # 89900004.

Upon motion by Mrs. Tane, seconded by Mrs. Quigley and passed 5-0

RESOLVED that the Board hereby authorizes the Superintendent of Schools to sign the Agreement resolving the proceeding under Education Law Section 3020-A against teacher Carole L. Calen.

Upon motion by Mrs. Tane, seconded by Mrs. Quigley and passed 5-0

RESOLVED that the Board hereby adopts Policy # 7130 on Tuition Students as amended.

Upon motion by Mrs. Tane, seconded by Mrs. Quigley and passed 5-0

RESOLVED that the Board hereby approves the BTA's request for ½ day before Thanksgiving and early dismissal of students.

Upon motion by Mrs. Tane, seconded by Mrs. Quigley and passed 5-0

RESOLVED that the Board hereby accepts the Extra-classroom Activity Fund, year ended June 30, 2008 financial report.

Discussion/Informational Items

1. The first Reading of Policy # 7500 on Student Health was conducted.
2. The Board reviewed the student activity treasurer's reports for the first quarter of 2008-09.
3. The Board reviewed the following financial reports: Appropriation Status Report: Funds A., C, F, H, V and Revenue Status Report: Funds A, C, F, H, V.

4. Audit Committee membership (this item was moved up on the agenda and tabled until next meeting)

Upon motion by Mrs. Tane, seconded by Mrs. Quigley and passed 5-0

The Board moved to adjourn the regular meeting and enter into executive session at 10:55 p.m.

Mrs. Quigley left the meeting at 11:30 p.m.

Upon motion by Mrs. Tane, seconded by Mrs. Agona and passed 4-0, the Board moved to adjourn the executive session and return to public session at 11:45 p.m.

Upon motion by Mrs. Tane, seconded by Mrs. Agona and passed 4-0, the Board moved to adjourn the public meeting at 11:46 p.m.