

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

Also Present: Dr. Frances Wills, Superintendent; Mrs. Juanita Brockett, District Clerk

Absent: Mrs. Stacy Agona; Mrs. Barbara Briganti, Asst. Superintendent for Business & Technology

A meeting of the Briarcliff Manor Board of Education was held on Monday, December 15, 2008 in the Middle School Theatre and was called to order by Mrs. Monaghan at 8:00 p.m.

Student Recognition

The 2008 Varsity Girls Soccer Team and their coaches were honored with a special tribute and recognition for capturing the State Championship.

On motion by Mrs. Tane, and seconded by Mrs. Quigley, the Board of Education moved 4-0 to accept the following proclamation:

WHEREAS, on November 15, 2008, the Briarcliff High School Varsity Girls Soccer team captured the State Championship title and,

WHEREAS, under the guidance of Head Coach, Owen Scully, and Asst. Coach Mary Kate Burke earned its second consecutive State Championship title and,

WHEREAS, through hard work, dedication, teamwork, and commitment, the Briarcliff High School Varsity Girls Soccer Team have brought honor upon themselves, the Briarcliff Manor Schools, Westchester County and the State of New York;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Briarcliff Manor Board of Education express its sincere appreciation and recognition to the Briarcliff High School Varsity Girls Soccer Team for its outstanding victory and its inspiration to all, through athletic leadership and teamwork.

Team members: Desiree Horecky, Jenny Rosen, Alyssandra, Jaquith, Carly, Savino, Alyssa Schmidt, Brianna Spencer, Katie Underwood (“**New York State Player of the Year**”), Kelly Wall, Jane Wallis, Katie Weiner, Danielle Christiano, Liana Cornacchio, Madison Kittay, Brianna Reid, Savina Reid, Alyssa Vital, Gabriela de Frutos

The following additional students were presented with certificates of recognition.

BHS Distinguished Students of the Month for November 2008

Jenny Yang, Matthew Rotondo, Sung Man Park, Lucia Matalo

School Photographer 2008-2009

Kelly Simpson

OCA-WHY 2008 Student Leadership Award Runner-Up winners

Elizabeth Cai, Zhe Shi

Selected to perform in National Honor Choir at the American Choral Director Association's (ACDA) 50th Anniversary Festival in March 2009

John Alecci, Olivia Glass, Helaine Meyer

Selected to perform with the New York State Band Director's Association (NYSBDA) Honors Band in March 2009

Matthew Cember, Noah Gordon

2007-2008 Award winning Briars and Ivy staff

Jessica Tang, Harrison Johnson, Zachary Taube, Demetri Demeropoulos, Christopher Doyle, Amy Impellizeri, Daniel Panagacos, Valerie Pucilowski, Ani Quigley, Alexander Vastola, William Zawacki

Participated in "Will Dance for Food" to benefit the Westchester Coalition for the Hungry & Homeless, Inc. at SUNY Purchase

Sandra DiRosa, Rebecca Epstein, Jamie Forrest, Michelle Ginsberg, Brianna O'Connor, John Alecci, Maxwell Alley, Jacob Chatzky, Kynan Welsh, Allison Colarusso, Dana Donati, Monique Goldstein, Briana Gordon, Elizabeth Johnson, Olivia Jones, Courtney Kohn, Dawn LaGuardia

Technology Presentation

Mrs. Erica Beasley, gave a presentation on the Districts' database administration.

Comments and questions were heard from the audience

Resolutions

On motion by Mrs. Tane, seconded by Mrs. Quigley, and passed 4-0

RESOLVED that the Board of Education hereby approve the minutes of the Board of Education meeting held on December 8, 2008.

On motion by Mrs. Tane, seconded by Mrs. Quigley, and passed 4-0

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education does hereby approve the following consent agenda items:

- a. Appointment of special education teacher aide, Deanna Muranelli, effective January 5, 2009, Step 2.
- b. Appointment of substitute teacher aide, Diane Waugh, effective 12/15/08.
- c. Appointment of Jim Britt to the following high school stipend positions for the 2008-2009 school year.
 1. Scenic Painting Club Advisor
 2. Set Design and Construction Club Advisor
 3. Technical Theater Club Advisor
 4. Lighting Technician

On motion by Mrs. Tane, seconded by Mrs. Quigley, and passed 4-0

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education does hereby approve to amend the appointment of Michelle McNeight (Formerly Michelle Beverly) from leave replacement special education teacher to probationary position as special education teacher, BA, Step 2, effective January 28, 2008.

On motion by Mrs. Tane, seconded by Mrs. Quigley, and passed 4-0

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education does hereby adopt the amended policy # 6305 regarding Personnel.

On motion by Mrs. Tane, seconded by Mrs. Quigley, and passed 4-0

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education does hereby approves to sell Bus #15, (previously authorized by the Board on 12/5 for disposal) to highest bid offer made by Brookfield Resource Management in the amount of \$1,800.

On motion by Mrs. Tane, seconded by Mrs. Quigley, and passed 4-0

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education does hereby approve the Health service contract for Briarcliff resident students attending the Masters School in Dobbs Ferry.

On motion by Mrs. Tane, seconded by Mrs. Quigley, and passed 4-0

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education does hereby approve the 30-day Emergency Transportation Contract with Chappaqua Transportation to transport a student to St. Vincent's Hospital, Harrison, NY, at the cost of \$75 per day.

On motion by Mrs. Tane, seconded by Mrs. Quigley, and passed 3-1

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education does hereby approve the amendment to the Audit Committee Charter based on the Board's resolution to changing the membership composition on the Committee.

Mrs. Marinaccio voted Nay.

On motion by Mrs. Tane, seconded by Mrs. Quigley, and passed 4-0

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, does hereby amend the Superintendent's 2008-09 salary contract and reduce that salary to the 2007-08 level. Thus the 2007-08 salary would be frozen for the current year.

Discussion/Informational Items

The Board reviewed and discussed the proposed 2009-10 School Calendar. Attendance data will be collected for the Board to review regarding decision to make the day before Thanksgiving a ½ Day.

The Board reviewed warrants for November 2008: Warrant #6 Fund A, Warrant #5 Fund TA and Warrant #4 Fund H.

Comments and questions were heard from the public.

On motion by Mrs. Tane, seconded by Mrs. Quigley, and passed 4-0, the Board of Education moved to adjourn the meeting at 9:37 p.m.