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Present: Mr. Charles K. Trainor, President; Mrs. June Monaghan, Vice President;  
Mrs. Lisa Tane; Mrs. Stacy Agona; Mrs. Nina Quigley;  
Dr. Frances Wills, Superintendent; Dr. Bruce Watkins, Asst. Sup't. for Business & Tech.;  
Ms. Juanita Brockett, District Clerk

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A meeting of the Briarcliff Manor Board of Education was held on Monday, February 11, 2008 in the Middle School Theater and was called to order by Mr. Trainor at 8:00 p.m.

*Opening Items*

Superintendent's Remarks

Dr. Wills commended Mrs. Comblo, high school social studies teacher, and students in the Interact Club for their presentation to the Rotary Club.

Dr. Wills congratulated the girls and boys varsity basketball teams for making it to the sectional.

Dr. Wills commended Mr. Kenney and his students on "The Dickens Day" presentations at the high school.

Dr. Wills reported that school board members and administrators attended the School Leadership Summit on Child Safety on February 5<sup>th</sup> sponsored by the Grass Roots Environmental Education.

Board President's Remarks

Mr. Trainor reported that Board members & Superintendents of Regional Educational Advocacy Districts (R.E.A.D.) were actively participating in getting legislators to listen to issues regarding Governor Spitzer's proposed budget and its impact on education.

Student Recognition – The following students were presented with certificates of recognition:

Jacqueline Post	BHS Distinguished Student of the Month for December 2007
Noah Gordon	“ “
Michael Sanfilippo	“ “
Megan Stoffer	“ “
Andreia DeVries	Poem published in the Anthology, <i>A Celebration of Young Poets</i>
Tess Morgridge	“ “
Catherine Ludwiczak	“ “
Eva Rajan	“ “
Rachel Smedley	1 <sup>st</sup> Place in the Middle School Division of the 2007 Association of Mathematics Teachers of New York State (AMTNYS) Poster Contest
Elliot Tusk	1 <sup>st</sup> Place in the High School Division of the 2007 Association of Mathematics Teachers of New York State (AMTNYS) Poster Contest

Olivia Zalesin	2 <sup>nd</sup> Place in the Middle School Division of the 2007 Association of Mathematics Teachers of New York State (AMTNYS) Poster Contest
Joseph Lombardi (2)	Con Edison Award for Outstanding Achievements in Varsity Basketball Breaking BHS Boys' Basketball Scoring Record
Amy Wagner Dylan Gessner	Broke BHS 3,000 meter track record 2007 Golden Dozen Scholar-Athlete Team by the Westchester Chapter of The National Football Foundation
Paul Rowe	2007 Golden Dozen Scholar-Athlete Honorable Mention Winner by The Westchester Chapter of The National Football Foundation

### **Budget Presentations**

Mr. Willoughby presented the Buildings and Grounds proposed budget for the 2008/2009 school year.  
 Dr. Watkins presented the Transportation proposed budget for the 2008-2009 school year.  
 Mr. Drosopoulos presented the Athletics proposed budget for the 2008-2009 school year.

### **Consent Agenda**

On motion by Mrs. Monaghan, seconded by Mrs. Tane and passed 5-0, it was

**RESOLVED**, that the Board hereby

- a. Approves the minutes of the Board of Education meetings held on January 14, 2008 and February 1, 2008 as presented.
- b. Approves the appointment of substitute teacher, David Shapiro
- c. Approves the appointment of Yiqing Shen to a .1 Math AIS , effective January 28, 2008 pro-rated
- d. Approves the appointment of Brendan Coxen to a .2 Health position, effective January 22, 2008 pro-rated
- e. Accepts the child-care leave of absence requested by special education teacher aide, Lirije Lajqui, from February 29, 2008 to May 5, 2008
- f. Accepts the resignation of special education teacher, Elizabeth Smith, effective August 31, 2008
- g. Accepts the of resignation, Debora Serio-Vaughan as CSE Subcommittee Chair effective April 1, 2008
- h. Approves the appointment of middle school special education teacher aide, Judith Becker, effective February 4, 2008, Step 2
- i. Approves the appointment of middle school special education teacher aide, Michael Czerwinski, effective February 8, 2008, Step 2

Personnel

On motion by Mrs. Monaghan, seconded by Mrs. Tane and passed 5-0, it was

**RESOLVED**, that the Board hereby accepts the resignation of Barbara Briganti as Asst. Business Administrator, effective June 30, 2008

On motion by Mrs. Monaghan, seconded by Mrs. Tane and passed 5-0, it was

**RESOLVED**, that the Board hereby approves the appointment of Barbara Briganti, as Acting Asst. Superintendent for Business and Technology, effective July 1, 2008 through August 31, 2008; Asst. Superintendent for Business & Technology, effective September 1, 2008 at an annual salary of \$170,000

On motion by Mrs. Monaghan, seconded by Mrs. Tane and passed 5-0, it was

**RESOLVED**, that the Board hereby approves the appointment of Kristen Talusan as leave replacement teacher for Christine Elliott, effective January 28, 2008, MA, Step 2

On motion by Mrs. Monaghan, seconded by Mrs. Tane and passed 5-0, it was

**RESOLVED**, that the Board hereby approves the appointment of James Britt to the stipend position of Set Designer/Technical Director for the Middle School 2008 Spring Musical

On motion by Mrs. Monaghan, seconded by Mrs. Tane and passed 5-0, it was

**RESOLVED**, that the Board hereby approves the increase in FTE from 1.05 to 1.2 for Michael Inglis (Science)

On motion by Mrs. Monaghan, seconded by Mrs. Tane and passed 5-0, it was

**RESOLVED**, that the Board hereby approves the increase in FTE from 1.0 to 1.2 for Kimberly Dyer (Science)

On motion by Mrs. Monaghan, seconded by Mrs. Tane and passed 5-0, it was

**RESOLVED**, that the Board hereby approves the increase in FTE from 1.0 to 1.2 for Paul Zeidan (Science)

On motion by Mrs. Monaghan, seconded by Mrs. Tane and passed 5-0, it was

**RESOLVED**, that the Board hereby approves Budget Transfers for the 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter in the amount of \$ 102,734.00

On motion by Mrs. Monaghan, seconded by Mrs. Tane and passed 5-0, it was

**RESOLVED**, that the Board hereby approves the bid award for vending machines services to Tri-State Vending & Food Service Inc.

On motion by Mrs. Monaghan, seconded by Mrs. Tane and passed 5-0, it was

**RESOLVED**, that the Board hereby authorize the Superintendent of Schools to execute the Agreement and the school district's attorney to implement the terms of the Settlement Agreement pertaining to student # 2154

On motion by Mrs. Monaghan, seconded by Mrs. Tane and passed 5-0, it was

**RESOLVED**, that the Board hereby approve the CSE/CPSE/504 Committee Recommendations for the months of November 2007 through January 2008

On motion by Mrs. Monaghan, seconded by Mrs. Tane and passed 5-0, it was

**RESOLVED**, that the Board hereby approve the appointment of External Auditor, Raymond G. Preusser, for a five-year period beginning with the 2007-08 academic year and ending with the 2011-12 academic year.

Information/Discussion Items

1. It was the consensus of the Board to support two incumbent candidates, Anita Feldman and Richard Kreps to the Putnam/Northern Westchester BOCES Board, effective July 1, 2008 to June 30, 2011.
2. The Board received and reviewed the Treasurer's Report; Appropriation Status; Revenue Status Reports; and Student Activity Treasurer's Report for December 2007.
3. A first reading of Policy on Student Stress was conducted.
4. The Board discussed a policy on no Idling of School Buses & other Vehicles on School Property.
5. It was the consensus of the Board to approve the procedure for "Application for Individual Teacher Site Override Access."
6. The Board received and reviewed the timeline for Capital Projects.

On Motion by Mrs. Monaghan, second by Mrs. Tane, the board moved to go into executive session at 10:30 p.m. to discuss the retirement of particular personnel.

On Motion by Mrs. Monaghan, second by Mrs. Tane, the board moved to returned to regular session at 10:40 p.m.

On motion by Mrs. Monaghan, seconded by Mrs. Tane and passed 5-0, it was

**RESOLVED**, that the Board hereby accepts with thanks and appreciation, the resignation of Anita Kraft, for the purpose of retirement effective July 1, 2008.

**BE IT FUTHER RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education hereby allocates for the purpose of providing a retirement incentive to Anita Kraft in the sum of Twenty Five Thousand

(\$25,000) dollars in return for a notice of resignation, effective June 30, 2008, for the purpose of retirement, said incentive to be paid in the form of non-elective contribution to the teacher's 403-b tax sheltered plan, said notice of resignation to be received by the School District on or before the close of business on February 11, 2008.

On motion by Mrs. Monaghan, seconded by Mrs. Tane and passed 5-0, it was

**RESOLVED**, that the Board hereby accepts with thanks and appreciation, the resignation of Rosalyn Beck, for the purpose of retirement effective July 1, 2008.

**BE IT FUTHER RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education hereby allocates for the purpose of providing a retirement incentive to Rosalyn Beck, in the sum of Twenty Five Thousand (\$25,000) dollars in return for a notice of resignation, effective June 30, 2008, for the purpose of retirement, said incentive to be paid in the form of non-elective contribution to the teacher's 403-b tax sheltered plan, said notice of resignation to be received by the School District on or before the close of business on February 11, 2008.

On motion by Mrs. Monaghan, seconded by Mrs. Tane and passed 5-0, it was

**RESOLVED**, that the Board hereby accepts with thanks and appreciation, the resignation of Richard Albero, for the purpose of retirement effective July 1, 2008.

**BE IT FUTHER RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education hereby allocates for the purpose of providing a retirement incentive to Richard Albero, in the sum of Twenty Five Thousand (\$25,000) dollars in return for a notice of resignation, effective June 30, 2008, for the purpose of retirement, said incentive to be paid in the form of non-elective contribution to the teacher's 403-b tax sheltered plan, said notice of resignation to be received by the School District on or before the close of business on February 11, 2008.

On motion by Mrs. Monaghan, seconded by Mrs. Tane and passed 5-0, it was

**RESOLVED**, that the Board hereby accepts with thanks and appreciation, the resignation of Ann Newman, for the purpose of retirement effective July 1, 2008.

**BE IT FUTHER RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education hereby allocates for the purpose of providing a retirement incentive to Ann Newman, in the sum of Twenty Five Thousand (\$25,000) dollars in return for a notice of resignation, effective June 30, 2008, for the purpose of retirement, said incentive to be paid in the form of non-elective contribution to the teacher's 403-b tax sheltered plan, said notice of resignation to be received by the School District on or before the close of business on February 11, 2008.

On motion by Mrs. Monaghan, seconded by Mrs. Tane, the Board moved to adjourn the regular meeting and enter in executive session at 10:45p.m. to discuss particular personnel.

On motion by Mrs. Monaghan, seconded by Mrs. Tane, the Board moved to return to regular session at 11:14 p.m.

On motion by Mrs. Monaghan, seconded by Mrs. Tane, the Board moved to adjourn the regular meeting at 11:15p.m.

**Future Board of Education Meetings:**

- 2/25 - Board Budget Work Session, 8:00 p.m., Middle School Theater  
Technology and Data Services
- 3/10 - Board Budget Work Session, 8:00 p.m., Middle School Theater  
Todd School, Middle School & High School
- 3/17 - Board Budget Work Session, 8:00 p.m., Middle School Theater  
District Wide Budget - Expenditure Plan Review; Revenues
- 4/7 - Board Budget Work Session, 8:00 p.m., Middle School Theater  
Budget Adoption

**Dates to Remember:**

02/18 – 02/22 - SCHOOLS CLOSED – MID-WINTER RECESS

**NOTICE OF SCHOOL BOARD VACANCIES**

Petitions nominating candidates for the office of Member of the Board of Education shall be filed with the Clerk of the Briarcliff Manor Union Free School District, 45 Ingham Road, District Office, Briarcliff Manor, NY, not later than 5:00 p.m. (prevailing time) on Monday, April 21, 2008. The term of office is for three (3) years. The following vacancy is to be filled:

Term of Charles K. Trainor, expiring June 30, 2008

Vacancies on the Board of Education are not considered separate, specific offices; candidates run at large. Nominating petitions shall not describe any specific vacancy upon the Board for which the candidate is nominated and must be signed by at least twenty-five (25) qualified voters of the District; must state the name and residence of each signer and must state the name and residence of the candidate; and shall describe the length of the term of office. Petitions are available in the District Office. If you have any questions, please contact Juanita Brockett, District Clerk, at 941-8880 ext. 303.