

Minutes of the Bethel Board of Education Regular Meeting held on April 28, 2016, in Board of Education Conf. Room E.

Attendance: None.

Administrative Attendance: C. Carver, K. Brooks, T. Yonsky

L. Craybas, Chairman, called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

Board Members Present: Attendance Taken at 7:00 PM:

Present Board Members:

**Mrs. Jennifer Ackerman
Mr. Scott Clayton
Mr. Larry Craybas
Mr. Bill Foster
Mr. Nicholas Hoffman
Mrs. Kristen Lacey
Mrs. Courtney Martin
Mrs. Melanie O'Brien
Mrs. Robin Renner**

Updated Attendance:

Mr. Scott Clayton was updated to present at: 7:16 PM

1. Call to Order

- 1.A. Roll Call for Quorum**
- 1.B. Pledge of Allegiance**

2. Board Recognition/A Salute to Excellence

The Board recognized the following:

- Bethel Middle School is one of two schools selected as finalists for the Connecticut Association of Schools (CAS), Middle School of the Year.
- Lynn Ferrier, Art Teacher at Bethel High School, who has earned the UConn Early College Experience (ECE) Instructor Award for Excellence in Course Instruction.
- Mary Fernand, English Department Chairwoman at Bethel High School earned her Doctorate from Western Connecticut State University last month.
- Bethel Public Schools has received the NAMM Foundation's Best Communities for Music Education award.

3. BHS EMT Program Report

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Mrs. Holmberg and her BHS EMT program students gave a brief presentation regarding the EMT Certification program at Bethel High School and their recent attendance at the EMS Today, National Conference in Baltimore, Maryland.

4. Consent Calendar

4.A. Approval of Minutes

4.A.1. March 17, 2016 - Regular Meeting

4.A.2. April 5, 2016 - Special Meeting

Motion Passed: Move to approve the minutes of March 17, 2016 - Regular Meeting and minutes of April 5, 2016 - Special Meeting passed with a motion by Mr. Larry Craybas and a second by Mrs. Jennifer Ackerman.

Mrs. Jennifer Ackerman	Yes
Mr. Scott Clayton	Abstain
Mr. Larry Craybas	Yes
Mr. Bill Foster	Yes
Mr. Nicholas Hoffman	Yes
Mrs. Kristen Lacey	Yes
Mrs. Courtney Martin	Yes
Mrs. Melanie O'Brien	Yes
Mrs. Robin Renner	Yes

5. Correspondence

Email from resident Jane Gangi regarding Bethel and the Common Core.

6. Audience Participation

None.

7. Administrative/Board Member Update

Dr. Carver spoke to the Board again about the district website host being purchased by School Messenger (our current system for parent and staff communications). This will give the district an opportunity to update the design and introduce an app.

Dr. Carver informed the Board the administration has begun the advertising for the Principal search for Bethel Middle School. Ads have been placed in CT - Job Reap, CAPSS and CEA. Dr. Carver reviewed the application, screening, and interview process before recommendation to the Board of Education.

8. Reports to the Board

8.A. Curriculum

8.A.1. BMS CC 6/7 Math Course

Motion Passed: Motion to approve CC 6/7 BMS math course beginning 2016-2017 school year passed with a motion by Mrs. Robin Renner and a second by Mr. Nicholas Hoffman.

Mrs. Jennifer Ackerman	Yes
Mr. Scott Clayton	Yes
Mr. Larry Craybas	Yes
Mr. Bill Foster	Yes
Mr. Nicholas Hoffman	Yes
Mrs. Kristen Lacey	Yes
Mrs. Courtney Martin	Yes
Mrs. Melanie O'Brien	Yes
Mrs. Robin Renner	Yes

8.A.2. BMS Pilot Courses

Dr. Brooks spoke to the Board about the courses to be piloted at BMS. The following courses will be piloted:

Digital Music (Grades 7 & 8)
3D Art and Design (8th grade art elective)
Digital Art (7th grade art elective)
Design (Grade 6 all students)
ELA College & Career Readiness

8.B. Policy

8.B.1. First Reading

- 8.B.1.a. 5141.21 - Administration of Medication
- 8.B.1.b. 3542.22 - Food Services Personnel Code of Conduct
- 8.B.1.c. 4133 - Travel Reimbursement
- 8.B.1.d. 5136 - Use Fees Charged Student
- 8.B.1.e. 3250 - Materials/Services Fees

Motion Passed: Move to approve the following for First Reading:

5141.21 - Administration of Medication
3542.22 - Food Services Personnel Code of Conduct
4133 - Travel Reimbursement
5136 - Use Fees Charged Student
3250 - Materials/Services Fees passed with a motion by Mrs. Melanie O'Brien and a second by Mr. Larry Craybas.

Mrs. Jennifer Ackerman	Yes
Mr. Scott Clayton	Yes
Mr. Larry Craybas	Yes

Mr. Bill Foster	Yes
Mr. Nicholas Hoffman	Yes
Mrs. Kristen Lacey	Yes
Mrs. Courtney Martin	Yes
Mrs. Melanie O'Brien	Yes
Mrs. Robin Renner	Yes

8.C. Finance

8.C.1. Budget Transfers

Teri Yonsky, Director of Fiscal Services, reviewed the budget transfers with the Board.

Motion Passed: Move to approve the budget transfers as outlined by the Director of Fiscal Services passed with a motion by Mr. Nicholas Hoffman and a second by Mrs. Jennifer Ackerman.

Mrs. Jennifer Ackerman	Yes
Mr. Scott Clayton	Yes
Mr. Larry Craybas	Yes
Mr. Bill Foster	Yes
Mr. Nicholas Hoffman	Yes
Mrs. Kristen Lacey	Yes
Mrs. Courtney Martin	Yes
Mrs. Melanie O'Brien	Yes
Mrs. Robin Renner	Yes

9. Action Items

9.A. 2016-2017 School Calendar - Approval

Motion Passed: To approve the 2016-2017 calendar as amended passed with a motion by Mr. Nicholas Hoffman and a second by Mrs. Melanie O'Brien.

Mrs. Jennifer Ackerman	Yes
Mr. Scott Clayton	Yes
Mr. Larry Craybas	Yes
Mr. Bill Foster	Yes
Mr. Nicholas Hoffman	Yes
Mrs. Kristen Lacey	Yes
Mrs. Courtney Martin	Yes
Mrs. Melanie O'Brien	Yes
Mrs. Robin Renner	Yes

9.B. 2017-2018 School Calendar - Acceptance

Motion Passed: To accept the 2017-2018 school calendar as amended passed with a motion by Mr. Larry Craybas and a second by Mrs. Jennifer Ackerman.

Mrs. Jennifer Ackerman	Yes
Mr. Scott Clayton	Yes
Mr. Larry Craybas	Yes
Mr. Bill Foster	Yes
Mr. Nicholas Hoffman	Yes
Mrs. Kristen Lacey	Yes
Mrs. Courtney Martin	Yes
Mrs. Melanie O'Brien	Yes
Mrs. Robin Renner	Yes

10. Recommended Executive Session

Motion Passed: Move to enter into Executive Session at 8:43 PM passed with a motion by Mr. Larry Craybas and a second by Mrs. Robin Renner.

Mrs. Jennifer Ackerman	Yes
Mr. Scott Clayton	Yes
Mr. Larry Craybas	Yes
Mr. Bill Foster	Yes
Mr. Nicholas Hoffman	Yes
Mrs. Kristen Lacey	Yes
Mrs. Courtney Martin	Yes
Mrs. Melanie O'Brien	Yes
Mrs. Robin Renner	Yes

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10.A. CT General Statues 1-210(b)(2) Personnel

10.A.1. Non-Renewals

10.B. CT General Statues 1-210(b)(9) Negotiations

10.B.1. Bethel Association of Educational Secretaries

10.B.2. Bethel Paraeducators and ABA Providers

Motion Passed: Move to come out of Executive Session at 8:57 PM passed with a motion by Mr. Larry Craybas and a second by Mr. Scott Clayton.

Mrs. Jennifer Ackerman	Yes
Mr. Scott Clayton	Yes
Mr. Larry Craybas	Yes
Mr. Bill Foster	Yes
Mr. Nicholas Hoffman	Yes
Mrs. Kristen Lacey	Yes
Mrs. Courtney Martin	Yes
Mrs. Melanie O'Brien	Yes
Mrs. Robin Renner	Yes

Motion Passed: Move that the contract of employment not be renewed for the following school year 2016-2017 for the non-renewals as outlined upon its expiration at the end of the 2015-2016 school year, and understand the Superintendent of Schools has already advised such persons in writing of this action passed with a motion by Mr. Larry Craybas and a second by Mrs. Melanie O'Brien.

Mrs. Jennifer Ackerman	Yes
Mr. Scott Clayton	Yes
Mr. Larry Craybas	Yes
Mr. Bill Foster	Yes
Mr. Nicholas Hoffman	Yes
Mrs. Kristen Lacey	Yes
Mrs. Courtney Martin	Yes
Mrs. Melanie O'Brien	Yes
Mrs. Robin Renner	Yes

Motion Passed: Move to approve the Bethel Association of Educational Secretaries contract going out through 2020 passed with a motion by Mr. Nicholas Hoffman and a second by Mrs. Robin Renner.

Mrs. Jennifer Ackerman	Yes
Mr. Scott Clayton	Yes
Mr. Larry Craybas	Yes
Mr. Bill Foster	Yes
Mr. Nicholas Hoffman	Yes
Mrs. Kristen Lacey	Yes
Mrs. Courtney Martin	Yes
Mrs. Melanie O'Brien	Yes
Mrs. Robin Renner	Yes

Motion Passed: Move to approve the Memorandum of Understanding for the Bethel Paraeducators and ABA Providers contract for 2016-2017 passed with a motion by Mr. Larry Craybas and a second by Mrs. Melanie O'Brien.

Mrs. Jennifer Ackerman	Yes
Mr. Scott Clayton	Yes
Mr. Larry Craybas	Yes
Mr. Bill Foster	Yes
Mr. Nicholas Hoffman	Yes
Mrs. Kristen Lacey	Yes
Mrs. Courtney Martin	Yes
Mrs. Melanie O'Brien	Yes
Mrs. Robin Renner	Yes

11. Adjourn

Motion Passed: Move to adjourn at 9:00 PM passed with a motion by Mr. Larry Craybas and a second by Mr. Nicholas Hoffman.

Mrs. Jennifer Ackerman	Yes
Mr. Scott Clayton	Yes
Mr. Larry Craybas	Yes
Mr. Bill Foster	Yes
Mr. Nicholas Hoffman	Yes
Mrs. Kristen Lacey	Yes
Mrs. Courtney Martin	Yes
Mrs. Melanie O'Brien	Yes
Mrs. Robin Renner	Yes

Respectfully submitted,
Susan Pare
Board Recorder