

Tentative minutes of the Bethel Board of Education Regular Meeting held on January 24, 2013, in Board of Education Conf. Room E.

Attendance: None.

Administrative Attendance: K. Smith, J. Jordan, T. Yonsky, B. Germinaro, M. Rutledge, D. Muharem, K. Brooks, C. Troetti

L. Craybas, Chairman, called the meeting to order at 07:00PM.

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

Present Board Members:

Mr. Stuart Carlsen  
Mr. Scott Clayton  
Mr. Larry Craybas  
Mr. William Duff  
Mrs. Kristen Lacey  
Mrs. Melanie O'Brien  
Mrs. Robin Renner  
Mr. Ted Stevenson  
Mr. Bryan Terzian

Updated Attendance:

Mr. Ted Stevenson was updated to absent at: 7:55 PM

1. Call to Order

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

2. Approval of Minutes

- 2.A. December 20, 2012 - Special Meeting
- 2.B. December 20, 2012 - Regular Meeting
- 2.C. January 10, 2013 - Special Meeting

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**Motion Passed:** Move to approve the minutes of December 20, 2012 - Special Meeting, December 20, 2013 Regular Meeting, and January 10, 2013 Special Meeting. Passed with a motion by Mr. Ted Stevenson and a second by Mrs. Robin Renner.

Mr. Stuart Carlsen	Yes
Mr. Scott Clayton	Yes
Mr. Larry Craybas	Yes
Mr. William Duff	Yes
Mrs. Kristen Lacey	Yes
Mrs. Melanie O'Brien	Yes
Mrs. Robin Renner	Yes
Mr. Ted Stevenson	Yes
Mr. Bryan Terzian	Yes

Mr. Bryan Terzian abstained on the January 10, 2013 Special Meeting minutes approval.

**Motion Passed:** Move to add agenda Item #3 - Board Recognition to the agenda. Passed with a motion by Mr. Larry Craybas and a second by Mrs. Kristen Lacey.

Mr. Stuart Carlsen	Yes
Mr. Scott Clayton	Yes
Mr. Larry Craybas	Yes
Mr. William Duff	Yes
Mrs. Kristen Lacey	Yes
Mrs. Melanie O'Brien	Yes
Mrs. Robin Renner	Yes
Mr. Ted Stevenson	Yes
Mr. Bryan Terzian	Yes

### **3. Board Recognition/A Salute to Excellence**

Discussion:

Mirage, BHS Literary magazine, has been selected to receive a rank of SUPERIOR- Nominated for Highest Award in the 2012 NCTE Program to Recognize Excellence in Student Literary Magazines. A total of 417 schools entered the 2012 program. Congratulations to the students, Ms. Lerz, and Ms. Overmier who produced this exemplary literary magazine.

The Board requested a press release be made on this accomplishment.

### **4. Correspondence**

- Letter from Dr. Smith to Senator Chris Murphy requesting assistance in securing funding from the office of Homeland Security to support our efforts in upgrading our safety and security in each of our schools and any further support in identifying federal aid to support the addition of an NJROTC instructor.
- Letter from Dr. Smith to Senator Toni Boucher regarding written testimony for the Enhanced School Security Working Group.

### **5. Audience Participation**

None.

### **6. Administrative Board/Board Member Update**

#### **6.A. Smarter Balanced Assessments**

Discussion:

Dr. Jordan, Associate Superintendent, gave a presentation to the Board on the Smarter Balanced Assessments. Dr. Jordan spoke about the Common Core State Standards (CCSS), ELA Standards, and how Smarter Balanced Assessments assess the CCSS. Smarter Balanced Assessments will be administered online in the 2014-2015 school year. This will provide increased test security, faster results, and achievement and growth information for every student.

## 7. Curriculum

### 7.A. Textbook Approval

#### 7.A.1. Conceptual Physics

#### 7.A.2. Enduring Vision

**Motion Failed:** Move to approve Conceptual Physics textbook and Enduring Vision textbook. Failed with a motion by Mr. Bryan Terzian and a second by Mrs. Melanie O'Brien.

Mr. Stuart Carlsen	Yes
Mr. Scott Clayton	Yes
Mr. Larry Craybas	Yes
Mr. William Duff	Yes
Mrs. Kristen Lacey	Yes
Mrs. Melanie O'Brien	Yes
Mrs. Robin Renner	Yes
Mr. Ted Stevenson	Absent
Mr. Bryan Terzian	Yes

**Motion Failed:** Move to table Enduring Vision textbook to be able to read the textbook. Failed with a motion by Mr. William Duff and a second by Mr. Scott Clayton.

Mr. Stuart Carlsen	Yes
Mr. Scott Clayton	Yes
Mr. Larry Craybas	Yes
Mr. William Duff	Yes
Mrs. Kristen Lacey	Yes
Mrs. Melanie O'Brien	Yes
Mrs. Robin Renner	Yes
Mr. Ted Stevenson	Absent
Mr. Bryan Terzian	Yes

**Motion Passed:** Move to table the Enduring Vision textbook and bring the textbook back to the Board for a vote at the February 21, 2013 Board meeting. Passed with a motion by Mr. Bryan Terzian and a second by Mrs. Kristen Lacey.

Mr. Stuart Carlsen	Yes
Mr. Scott Clayton	Yes
Mr. Larry Craybas	Yes
Mr. William Duff	Yes
Mrs. Kristen Lacey	Yes
Mrs. Melanie O'Brien	Yes
Mrs. Robin Renner	Yes
Mr. Ted Stevenson	Absent
Mr. Bryan Terzian	Yes

**Motion Passed:** Move to approve the Conceptual Physics textbook. Passed with a motion by Mrs. Melanie O'Brien and a second by Mr. Scott Clayton.

Mr. Stuart Carlsen	Yes
Mr. Scott Clayton	Yes
Mr. Larry Craybas	Yes
Mr. William Duff	Yes
Mrs. Kristen Lacey	Yes
Mrs. Melanie O'Brien	Yes
Mrs. Robin Renner	Yes
Mr. Ted Stevenson	Absent
Mr. Bryan Terzian	Yes

## 8. Finance

### 8.A. Budget Transfers

**Motion Passed:** Move to approve budget transfers for October 1 to December 31 of fiscal 2012-2013 as presented by the Director of Fiscal Services. Passed with a motion by Mr. Stuart Carlsen and a second by Mr. William Duff.

Mr. Stuart Carlsen	Yes
Mr. Scott Clayton	Yes
Mr. Larry Craybas	Yes
Mr. William Duff	Yes
Mrs. Kristen Lacey	Yes
Mrs. Melanie O'Brien	Yes
Mrs. Robin Renner	Yes
Mr. Ted Stevenson	Absent
Mr. Bryan Terzian	Yes

## 9. Adjourn

**Motion Passed:** Move to adjourn at 8:25 p.m. Passed with a motion by Mr. Scott Clayton and a second by Mrs. Kristen Lacey.

Mr. Stuart Carlsen	Yes
Mr. Scott Clayton	Yes
Mr. Larry Craybas	Yes
Mr. William Duff	Yes
Mrs. Kristen Lacey	Yes
Mrs. Melanie O'Brien	Yes
Mrs. Robin Renner	Yes
Mr. Ted Stevenson	Absent
Mr. Bryan Terzian	Yes

Respectfully submitted,  
Susan Pare  
Board Recorder