

Tentative minutes of the **Bethel Board of Education Regular Meeting** held on **Thursday, August 26, 2010**, in Board of Education Conference Room E.

Attendance: None

Administrative Attendance: G. Chesley, J. Jordan, T. Yonsky, P. Cosentino, D. DeBlois, L. Pica

L. Craybas, Chairman, called the meeting to order at 7:04 p.m.

1. **Call to Order**

A. Roll Call for Quorum

Board Members Present: M. Duff, S. Carlsen, L. Craybas, J. DeRosa, C. McCorkindale, A. Mannion, M. O'Brien, R. Renner

Board Members Absent: K. Harrison

B. Pledge Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America

2. **Approval of Minutes**

A. June 17, 2010 – Regular Meeting

Motion by R. Renner: Move to approve the minutes of June 17, 2010.
Seconded by A. Mannion
AYE: M. Duff, J. DeRosa, C. McCorkindale, A. Mannion, R. Renner, L. Craybas, M. O'Brien
NAY: None
Abstain: S. Carlsen
Motion Carried

B. July 21, 2010 – Special Meeting

Motion by S. Carlsen: Move to approve the minutes of July 21, 2010 as amended.
Seconded by M. O'Brien
Motion Carried Unanimously

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

Gifts to the School System:

Bethel High School

- Bethel High School, variety of kitchen equipment, Mr. Bruce Kubisek, Bethel, CT
- Bethel High School, \$1,000 for BHS softball program, Ms. Jodi L. McCormick Johnson, Warrenton, VA

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Bethel Middle School

- Bethel Middle School, \$4,064.27 for BMS Ski Club, Mrs. Eliane D. Mullen, Norwalk, CT

4. Correspondence

- Memo from Thomas Galliford, Fire Marshall, Town of Bethel, regarding fire zones around the school buildings.
- Letter from Connecticut Association of School Business Officials (CASBO) announcing Teri Yonsky, Director of Fiscal Services appointment as liaison to the Board of Directors of CASBO.

5. Administrative/Board Member Update

A. *Education Legislation Summary*

Dr. Chesley spoke about the Federal Education Jobs Funds received by Bethel. The funds can be spent between now and September 2012.

Dr. Chesley informed the Board 83 BMS students attended Camp College at WCSU during this week.

Dr. Chesley distributed a copy of his article “Delivering on the Promise” from the September issue of *American School Board Journal*.

Dr. Jordan spoke about the New Teacher Orientation and how impressed she and Dr. Chesley are with the group of new teachers.

Dr. Jordan announced the Bethel Education Foundation will be hosting a “Girls’ Night Out” fundraiser on October 19th at Greenwoods.

6. Audience Participation

None.

7. Reports to the Board

A. *Policy*

1. *First Reading:*

- a. *Series 3000 – Business and Non-Instructional Operations***

2. *Second Reading:*

- a. *Series 1000 – Community Relations***
b. *Policy 1140 – Distribution of Materials*

Motion by L. Craybas: Move to table Policy Series 1000 and 3000 pending review of the Policy Subcommittee on September 8, 2010.

Seconded by S. Carlsen

Motion Carried Unanimously

Motion by L. Craybas: Move to table Policy 1140 pending review of the Policy Subcommittee on September 8, 2010.

Seconded by S. Carlsen

Motion Carried Unanimously

B. Finance

1. Budget Transfers

Motion by S. Carlsen: Move to approve budget transfers.

Seconded by A. Mannion

Motion Carried Unanimously

2. Hennessey Memorial Scholarship/Hennessey Teacher Award Funds

Motion by A. Mannion: Move to approve the transfer and/or liquidation of assets of said funds from Merrill Lynch to Fidelity Investments.

Seconded by C. McCorkindale

Motion Carried Unanimously

C. Curriculum

1. Curriculum Work Update

Dr. Jordan reviewed the 2010/2011 curriculum work and reviewed three of the completed projects.

2. CMT/CAPT Presentation

Dr. Jordan presented the CMT/CAPT scores to the Board.

D. Facilities

1. Distribution of Request for Proposal for Rockwell/Johnson Facilities

Motion by M. Duff: Move to approve to send on to the First Selectman as amended.

Seconded by J. DeRosa

Motion Carried Unanimously

E. Personnel

1. Resignations/Appointments

Motion by S. Carlsen: Move to approve the following personnel appointments:

Holly Dederer, BHS Business Teacher
Sheila Karmath, BHS Business Teacher
Alisa Trachtenberg, BHS Spanish Teacher
Sandra Jacques, BHS PE/Health Teacher
Jessica Christensen, BHS Social Studies Teacher
Elizabeth Curtis, BHS PPT Coordinator
Jennifer Lane, BHS Chemistry Teacher
Jennifer Variale, BHS Math Teacher
Amanda Flachsbart, BMS Grade 7 LA Teacher
Sara D'Amico, BMS Grade 8 Earth Science Teacher
Leah Resko, BMS Special Education Teacher
Ashely O'Grady, BMS Special Education Teacher
Sara Toigo, Johnson School Grade 4 Teacher
Diana DeJesus, Berry Grade 2 Teacher
Theresa Cisero, Berry Special Education Teacher
Kathleen Miller, Rockwell Grade 2 Teacher
Michelle Demeyer, BHS School Psychologist
Katherine MacDonald, Elementary School Social Worker

Seconded by C. McCorkindale

Motion Carried Unanimously

Motion by R. Renner: Move to accept the following personnel resignations:

Elizabeth Althen, Grade 5 Teacher
Casey Bock, BHS Math Teacher
Blakely Cohen, Grade 6 LA Teacher
Cheryl Eastman, BHS Special Education Teacher
Ella Kraiz, BHS Chemistry Teacher
Jamie McDonald, BHS Business Teacher
Anthony Nunes, Berry/Rockwell Music (Orchestra) Teacher
Brett Requentina, Berry/Rockwell Special Education Teacher
Laura Ross, BHS Spanish Teacher
Stephanie Schneiderman, BHS PPT Coordinator
Jeffrey Sherman, BHS Business Teacher
Deborah Stasko, BHS Italian Teacher

Seconded by A Mannion

Motion Carried Unanimously

8. **Recommended Executive Session**
CT General Statutes 1-200(6)(A)
1. Superintendent's Evaluation

CT General Statutes 1-200(6)(e)
1. Personnel

Motion by M. O'Brien: Move to enter into Executive Session at 8:55 p.m.
Seconded by S. Carlsen
Motion Carried Unanimously

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M. O'Brien, R. Renner

Board Members Absent: K. Harrison, A. Mannion

Administrators: G. Chesley

**Motion by C. McCorkindale: Move that the Board of Education come out of
Executive Session at 10:14 p.m.**
Seconded by J. DeRosa
Motion Carried Unanimously

**Motion by S. Carlsen: Move to approve the 2010 salary for Dr. Chesley effective
July 1, 2010 through June 30, 2011 and to extend contract for July 2010 through
June 2013.**
Seconded by J. DeRosa
Motion Carried Unanimously

9. **Adjourn**

Motion by R. Renner: Move to adjourn at 10:15 p.m.
Seconded by R. Renner
Motion Carried Unanimously

Respectfully submitted,

Susan Paré
Board Recorder