

APPROVED

**Brunswick Central Schools
Board of Education
Regular Meeting Minutes**

ORIGINAL

MEETING

Date: February 7, 2013
Place: Brittonkill Meeting Room
Presiding: Matthew Wade, President

ASSEMBLAGE

Members Present: K. Christiansen, R. Fitzgerald (*arrived at 6:04 p.m. & left at 6:45 p.m.*), M. Fortun, C. Gilbert, A. Grab, J. Lindemann (*arrived at 6 p.m.*), J. Roddy (*arrived at 6:52 p.m.*), M. Wade and J. Wienman

Members Absent:

Also Present: Louis McIntosh, Superintendent, Lyn Derway, Assistant Superintendent of Business/District Clerk, Mary Roach, School Attorney and Maria Lewis, Board Secretary

**CALL TO ORDER
FLAG SALUTE**

President Wade called the public meeting to order at 5:58 PM and began the meeting with a salute to the flag.

**EXECUTIVE
SESSION**

1 – Mr. Fortun 2 – Mr. Christiansen
The Board of Education entered into Executive Session at 5:58 PM in accordance with the Open Meeting Law, Chapter 5111, Article 7 and Subdivisions E&F of the Laws of 1977 and Formal Opinion of Council No.239, Paragraph B to discuss the following checked item(s):

	Current litigation;
	Collective negotiations under the Taylor Law;
	The medical , financial, credit or employment history of a particular person or corporation;
X	Matters pertaining to the employment, dismissal or removal of particular persons;
	The proposed acquisition, sale or lease of real property;
	Other [specify]

6 Yes Motion Carried

Ms. Lindemann arrived at 6:00 p.m.
Mr. Fitzgerald arrived at 6:04 p.m. and left at 6:45 p.m.
Mr. Roddy arrived at 6:52 p.m.

**EXECUTIVE
SESSION**

1 – Ms. Wienman 2 – Mr. Fortun
The Board of Education exited Executive Session at 6:58 PM and entered Public Session.

8 Yes Motion Carried

**APPROVAL OF
MINUTES**

1 - Mr. Roddy 2 - Mr. Grab

The Board of Education hereby approves the following Minutes:

- January 15, 2013 Special Meeting
- January 17, 2013 Regular Meeting
- January 23, 2013 Special Meeting

8 Yes Motion Carried

SUPERINTENDENT

- Mr. McIntosh and Ms. Derway presided over a 2013 - 2014 Budget Discussion which included the following:
 - o Review of the Governor's budget proposal
 - o State Aid estimatesThe board agreed, by consensus, to authorize the Superintendent to pursue a 3.95% tax levy increase (instead of the 4.89% previously agreed upon).
- Eric Wetmore, Whitney Colvin and Neil Haley provided an annual update to the board on their respective departments.

BOARD DISCUSSION

- Mr. Grab asked the Superintendent for an update on the Section II budgetary concerns.
- Mr. Wade called for a Special Meeting on February 21, 2013 at 6 p.m. in order for the board to meet with Jim Baldwin and Ray Kesper from Questar III to discuss the results of the Stakeholders Group interviews.

PUBLIC COMMENT

- Stephanie Kneer presented the board with a petition signed by 87 people and a list of questions regarding technology in the district.
- Andy Welkley, science teacher, implored the district to fill the vacancy left by Kerry O'Sullivan's resignation.
- Mr. Robert Gibson asked the board for their re-nomination to the Questar III Board of Education.
- Eric Olson thanked the board for allowing the Stakeholders Group to participate in the search for a new superintendent. He also stated that he is now requiring his students to attend at least one board meeting per year.
- John Nemjo, parent, suggested the board push for a higher tax levy since they could always go out for a second vote, if the first one fails.

SPECIAL ACTIONS

Candidate Nomination

Questar III BOCES

Robert H. Gibson 1 - Mr. Christiansen 2 - Ms. Wienman

The Board of Education approves the nomination of Robert H. Gibson, residing in the Brunswick Central School District, as a candidate for membership on the Questar III, Rensselaer-Columbia-Greene Counties Board of Cooperative Educational Services for a term of office of three years to begin July 1, 2013.

8 Yes Motion Carried

STUDENTS

Field Trip Requests

1 - Mr. Christiansen 2 - Ms. Lindemann

The Board of Education approves the following field trip requests made by Ann Kolakowski:

- **March 22, 2013 through March 24, 2013** - Key Club Leadership Training Conference, Holiday In Turf, Colonie, NY
- **June 1, 2013** - Choralaires to New Jersey to participate in the Music in the Parks Festival

8 Yes Motion Carried

SPECIAL EDUCATION

Student Placements

BY CONSENT

1 - Mr. Christiansen 2 - Ms. Wienman

Section 504 Committee

The Board of Education accepts the following recommendation(s) of the Section 504 Committee dated 10/25/2012:

3016

Committee and Sub Committee on Special Education and Committee on Preschool

Special Education The Board of Education accepts the following recommendation(s) of the Committee and Subcommittee on Special Education and the Committee on Preschool Special Education dated 01/09/2013, 01/11/2013, 01/14/2013, 01/15/2013, 01/17/2013, 01/18/2013, 01/22/2013, 01/23/2013 and 01/24/2013:

805 158 601 784 807 528 703 662 721 320 586
593

END OF CONSENT

8 Yes Motions Carried

SUPERINTENDENT'S RECOMMENDATIONS

Personnel

**Payroll Clerk Retirement
Lee Levings**

1 - Mr. Levings 2 - Ms. Lindemann

The Board of Education accepts, with appreciation for 5 years of dedicated service to the Brunswick Central School District, the resignation, for the purpose of retirement, of Lee Levings from his position as Payroll Clerk effective April 8, 2013.

8 Yes Motion Carried

Earth Science/Chemistry (7-12) Teacher

Retirement

Kerry O'Sullivan 1 - Mr. Grab 2 - Ms. Wienman

The Board of Education accepts with regret and sincere appreciation for 21 years of dedicated service to the Brunswick Central School District, the resignation, for the purpose of retirement, of Kerry O'Sullivan from his position as Earth Science/Chemistry (7-12) Teacher effective June 30, 2013.

8 Yes Motion Carried

BY CONSENT

1 - Mr. Fortun 2 - Ms. Wienman

Teacher Aide

Resignation

Shannon Burton

The Board of Education accepts the resignation of Shannon Burton from her position as Teacher Aide with the Brunswick Central School District effective January 31, 2013.

Leaves of Absence The Board of Education approves the following leaves of absence:

Name	Title	Type of Leave	Leave Start	Leave End	Comments/Location
Kelly Onorato	Speech/Language Pathologist	Child Care	On or about April 29, 2013	June 21, 2013	Initiation of Leave Elementary School
Jodi LaCoppola	Special Education Teacher	Child Care	On or about April 30, 2013	June 21, 2013	Initiation of Leave Secondary School

Extra Curricular

Annual Appointment

The Board of Education approves the following extra curricular appointment for the 2012 - 2013 school year:

Secondary School

Musical Show Choreographer.....Amber Frank/Meaghan Gosh

Substitute

Appointments

The Board of Education approves the appointment of the following individual(s) as Substitute(s) in the area(s) indicated with the Brunswick Central School District, contingent upon Part 87 of the Commissioner of Education Regulations on fingerprint clearance requirements, effective February 8, 2013 (unless otherwise noted).

Name

Position

Morgan Mason Non-certified Substitute Teacher @ \$70 per day
Victoria Schrom Non-certified Substitute Teacher @ \$70 per day
Beth Manchester School Bus Attendant, School Monitor & Teacher's Aide @ \$8 per hour

Spring Coach

Annual Appointment The Board of Education approves the appointment of the following individual(s) as Coach with the Brunswick Central School District, contingent upon Part 87 Commissioner of Education Regulations on fingerprinting clearance requirements. (Volunteers will be subject to a criminal background check.) Salary, if a paid position, is per the current BTA contract.

Spring 2013

Junior Varsity Baseball.....Michael Burmas

END OF CONSENT

8 Yes Motions Carried

Business/Finance

Donations

1 - Mr. Christiansen 2 - Mr. Gilbert

The Board of Education accepts, with appreciation, the following donation(s):

- \$500 grant from the Rensselaer County Suicide Prevention Task Force to prevent and raise awareness of teen suicide

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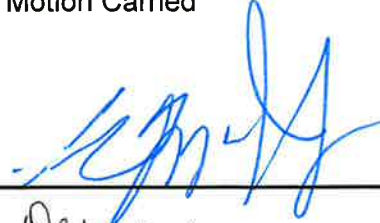
8 Yes Motion Carried

MOTION TO 1 –Mrs. Lindemann 2 – Mr. Christiansen
ADJOURN The Board of Education adjourned at 9:16 PM.

8 Yes Motion Carried

Respectfully submitted,

LOUIS MCINTOSH, SUPERINTENDENT



LYN DERWAY, DISTRICT CLERK



MARIA LEWIS, BOARD SECRETARY

