

APPROVED

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

ORIGINAL

MEETING

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

ASSEMBLAGE

Members Present: K. Christiansen, R. Fitzgerald, M. Fortun, A. Grab, J. Lindemann, M. Wade and J. Wienman

Members Absent: C. Gilbert and J. Roddy

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

**CALL TO ORDER
FLAG SALUTE**

President Wade called the public meeting to order at 7:00 PM and began the meeting with a salute to the flag.

PRESENTATIONS TO THE BOARD

- Mr. McIntosh, Mr. Wade and Mr. Pogue recognized the following students as Scholar Athletes for winter sports:

Boys' Basketball

Michael Bornt
Anthony Giamei
Aiden Glynn
Sean Griffin
Zachary Lewis
James Mariano III
Patrick McLaughlin

Girls' Basketball

Rachel Doody
Makenzie Flaherty
Jillian Gavin
Chelsie Matala
Briana Matzinsky
Cassidy Medved
Alexandria Mitchell

- Ms. Derway provided a comparison between the two companies (Monolith Solar and New York Light Energy) that responded to the RFP for the Solar Power Purchase Agreement. Mr. Jonathan Smith from CS Arch answered questions from the board.

**APPROVAL OF
MINUTES**

1 - Mr. Christiansen 2 - Ms. Lindemann
The Board of Education hereby approves the following Minutes:
• February 28, 2013 Regular Meeting

7 Yes Motion Carried

SUPERINTENDENT

- Mr. McIntosh and Ms. Derway presided over a 2013 - 2014 budget discussion which included the following:
 - o Budget progress update
 - o Review budget for the following areas:
 - General Support
 - Youth and Community Services
 - Employee Benefits
 - Inter-fund Transfers

The budget discussion continued regarding various options including putting back a Technology Teacher, Technology Aide, and .5 Art positions or any combination thereof. Mr. McIntosh asked the board to email him by Wednesday with their preference for the tax levy increase and positions to include.

- Mr. McIntosh informed the board that the school attorney would be at the March 21st meeting for an Executive Session.
- Mr. McIntosh also informed the board that administration had contacted him to begin contract negotiations.

BOARD DISCUSSION

- Mr. Grab updated the board regarding the last Audit Committee meeting with Michael Wolff, Internal Controls Auditor.
- Mr. Wade asked the board if they had any other questions or concerns regarding the solar power presentation and if they were ready to vote on the RFP. The board indicated that they were ready to vote.

PUBLIC COMMENT

- The following individuals spoke in support of the Art program: Helen Findlay, Leann Owens, Cheryl Parkes, Lauren O'Brien and Olivia Dunn.
- Pat Wasiczko spoke of the valuable impact Teaching Assistants have on students and classrooms.
- Mr. Andy Casale encouraged the board to "shoot for the highest tax levy they could with a 50% plus one vote".
- Karen Lederman informed the board four teams would be participating in the Odyssey of the Mind tournament this weekend.
- Larry Cooper, former student, spoke in support of the music program and its' positive effect on his life.

SPECIAL EDUCATION

Student Placements

Section 504 Committee 1 - Ms. Wienman 2 - Mr. Fortun
The Board of Education accepts the following recommendations of the Section 504 Committee dated 10/25/2012:
718 3014 3013 730 3011
7 Yes Motion Carried

Committee on Special Education and Committee on Preschool

Special Education 1 - Mr. Christiansen 2 - Ms. Lindemann
The Board of Education accepts the following recommendations of the Committee on Special Education and the Committee on Preschool Special Education dated 02/01/2013 and 02/04/2013:
803 809 160
7 Yes Motion Carried

SUPERINTENDENT'S RECOMMENDATIONS

Personnel

School Bus Driver

Retirement

Joann O'Brien

1 - Ms. Wienman 2 - Mr. Grab

The Board of Education accepts with appreciation for 14 years of dedicated service to the Brunswick Central School District, the resignation, for the purpose of retirement, of Joann O'Brien from her position as School Bus Driver effective May 31, 2013.

7 Yes Motion Carried

**Spring Coaching
Appointments**

1 - Mr. Grab 2 - Ms. Lindemann

The Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approves the appointment of the following individuals 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.

Varsity & JV Baseball Volunteer Assistants

Terrance Buchanan
Andrew Casale
Christopher Phillips

Varsity Softball Volunteer Assistants

Meaghan Gosh
Joseph King

7 Yes Motion Carried

Business/Finance

TABLED

2013 - 2014 Non-Resident

Tuition Rates

1 - Ms. Wienman 2 - Mr. Fortun

The Board of Education agrees to TABLE the approval of the following non-resident tuition rate change for the 2013 - 2014 school year:

2012-2013	2013-2014
Grades K-6: \$4,143	Grades K-6: 4,441
Grades 7-12: \$7,769	Grades 7-12: \$9,091

Mr. Fitzgerald asked to reduce the amount of tuition in an effort to encourage enrollment. After discussion the board agreed to table this motion pending research by Ms. Derway regarding the feasibility of this suggestion.

7 Yes Motion Tabled

Solar Power

Purchase Agreement 1 - Mr. Christiansen 2 - Mr. Fortun

The Board of Education agrees to award the contract for Solar Power Purchase Agreement to **New York Light Energy**.

7 Yes Motion Carried

Donations

1 - Mr. Christiansen 2 - Mr. Fortun

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

- \$170 from the PTSA for transportation expenses to/from Olympics of Visual Arts on April 23, 2013

7 Yes Motion Carried

PUBLIC COMMENT None

EXECUTIVE SESSION

1 – Mr. Grab 2 – Mr. Fortun

The Board of Education entered into Executive Session at 9:30 p.m. 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 history of a particular person;
X	Matters leading to the employment of a particular person (Superintendent Search);
	The proposed acquisition, sale or lease of real property;
	Other [specify]

7 Yes Motion Carried

MOTION TO ADJOURN

1 – Mr. Fortun 2 – Mr. Fitzgerald

The Board of Education adjourned at 10:37 PM.

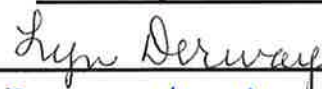
7 Yes Motion Carried

Respectfully submitted,

LOUIS MCINTOSH, SUPERINTENDENT



LYN DERWAY, DISTRICT CLERK



MARIA LEWIS, BOARD SECRETARY

