

APPROVED

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

ORIGINAL

MEETING

Date: August 14, 2014
Place: Brittonkill Meeting Room
Presiding: Matthew Wade, President

ASSEMBLAGE

Members Present: D. Galipeau, A. Grab, M. McCarthy, K. Murphy, M. Wade and L. Wertz

Members Absent: R. Fitzgerald, M. Fortun and J. Roddy

Also Present: Angelina Maloney (Bergin), Superintendent, Lyn Derway, Assistant Superintendent of Business/District Clerk, Maria Lewis, Board Secretary and Jacob Spencer, Student Liaison

CALL TO ORDER

FLAG SALUTE

President Wade called the public meeting to order at 7:01 p.m. and began the meeting with a salute to the flag.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1 – Ms. Wertz 2 – Mr. Grab

The Board of Education hereby approves the following Minutes:

- July 10, 2014 Organizational & Regular Meeting

6 Yes Motion Carried

SUPERINTENDENT

- The Superintendent updated the board on the following items:
 - *Teaching is the Core* grant
 - Meeting with Rensselaer County Chamber of Commerce
 - Athletic Hall of Fame
 - Athletic Ad Hoc Committee
 - NYS Testing results
 - ACT results received
- Karen Lederman and Rich Pogue provided updates on the activities in their respective buildings
- The board and Superintendent discussed district goals for the 2014 – 2015 school year

BOARD DISCUSSION/REPORTS

- Mr. Wade congratulated the superintendent on her recent marriage.
- 12th grade graduation
 - Jacob Spencer, student liaison to the board, brought up the possibility of holding 12th grade graduation in a different location in an effort to allow more people to attend. He will investigate the options available.
 - Mr. Wade asked the board if they would wear caps and gowns for 12th grade graduation. All agreed.
 - Mr. Wade asked about the possibility of having a designated photographer. Dr. Maloney said she would research the idea.
- Ms. Derway updated the board on the recent Facilities Committee meeting.
- Mr. Grab updated the board on the Audit/Finance Committee meeting held earlier in the evening. He voiced the committee's support for the corrective action plan and the tax levy, both on the agenda for a vote under Business/Finance.

PUBLIC COMMENT

- Eric Olson addressed the board regarding the NYS Audit Report and the district goals.

POLICY

Policy Revision 1 – Ms. Wertz 2 – Mr. Galipeau
#3.230-E The Board of Education approves the revised Organizational Chart, 3.230-E, as presented.

6 Yes Motion Carried

SPECIAL EDUCATION

Student Placement Recommendations

BY CONSENT
1 – Ms. Wertz 2 – Mr. Grab

Section 504 Committee The Board of Education accepts the following recommendations of the Section 504 Committee dated 06/24/2014 and 06/25/2014:

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**Committees on
Special Education and
Preschool Special
Education**

The Board of Education accepts the following recommendations of the Committees on Special Education and Preschool Special Education dated 05/22/2014, 06/03/2014, 06/04/2014, 06/05/2014, 06/06/2014, 06/12/2014, 06/16/2014, 06/18/2014, 07/02/2014, 07/09/2014 and 07/28/2014:

859	848	618	830	816	720	841	851	622
849	479	747	843	753	830	618	864	865
863								

END OF CONSENT
6 Yes Motions Carried

PROGRAM

1 – Ms. McCarthy 2 – Mr. Grab
The Board of Education approves the following instructional planning and curriculum development efforts for the summer of 2014 at a total cost of \$5,400:

Update the RTI reading plan and align with the current NYS RTI mandates
Nicole Reed, Daphne Muench, Susan Delano, Wendy Tarricone
Total for group: 60 hours @ \$30/hour = \$1,800

Revise and Refine Pre and Post tests in Mathematics aligned with Common Core for grades K-5
Mary McNeice, Diane Seaver, Kelly Hindes – up to 40 hours each
Total for group: 120 hours @ \$30/hour = \$3,600

6 Yes Motion Carried

SUPERINTENDENT'S RECOMMENDATIONS

Personnel

Elementary Teacher Probationary Appointment

Lynn Nadareski 1 – Ms. Wertz 2 – Ms. McCarthy

The Board of Education approves, pursuant to Education Law and in compliance with Part 30 of the Rules of the Board of Regents Law, the probationary appointment of Lynn Nadareski to the position of Elementary Teacher, within the tenure area of Elementary Education, effective September 1, 2014. It is recommended that Ms. Nadareski's probationary period will begin on September 1, 2014 and end on September 1, 2016 (tenured at Averill Park CSD). It is further recommended that she be remunerated at a salary of \$38,834: MA/MS Level 1 for the 2014-15 school year.

6 Yes Motion Carried

Music Teacher Probationary Appointment Kathryn Siegenthaler

1 – Ms. Wertz 2 – Mr. Murphy

The Board of Education approves, pursuant to Education Law and in compliance with Part 30 of the Rules of the Board of Regents Law, the probationary appointment of Kathryn Siegenthaler to the position of Music Teacher, within the tenure area of Music, effective September 1, 2014. It is recommended that Ms. Siegenthaler's probationary period will begin on September 1, 2014 and end on September 1, 2016 (tenured at Cairo-Durham CSD). It is further recommended that she be remunerated at a salary of \$38,834: MA/MS Level 1 for the 2014-15 school year.

6 Yes Motion Carried

Mentor Coordinator & Mentors Annual Appointments

1 – Ms. McCarthy 2 – Mr. Grab

The Board of Education approves the following annual appointments of Mentor Coordinator and Mentors for the 2014 - 2015 school year. Remuneration shall be per the current BTA contract.

Mentor Coordinator
Patricia Maloney

Mentors
Ann Kolakowski - 1/2 Year - Kathryn Siegenthaler
Diane Seaver - 1/2 Year - Lynn Nadareski

6 Yes Motion Carried

**Food Service Helper
Probationary Appointment**

Carrie Brundige 1 – Ms. Wertz 2 – Ms. McCarthy

The Board of Education approves the probationary appointment of Carrie Brundige to the position of Food Service Helper effective September 2, 2014. Ms. Brundige's probationary period shall extend from September 2, 2014 through March 1, 2015. Remuneration for this position shall be at a rate per the current CSEA contract.

6 Yes Motion Carried

**Appointment of
Substitutes**

1 – Mr. Murphy 2 – Mr. Grab

The Board of Education approves, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, 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 August 15, 2014 (unless otherwise noted).

Name	Position
Christine Southard	Certified Substitute Teacher @ \$90 per day
Malana Jojo	Certified Substitute Teacher @ \$90 per day
Joanne Lupe	Substitute Typist @ \$11 per hour
Kaitlyn Waters	Certified Substitute Teaching Assistant @ \$85 per day
	Non-certified Substitute Teacher @ \$75 per day
Antonia Bevington	Non-certified Substitute Teacher @ 75 per day
	Non-certified Teaching Assistant @ \$70 per day
Sarah Hansen	Non-certified Substitute Teacher @ \$75 per day
	Non-certified Teaching Assistant @ \$70 per day

6 Yes Motion Carried

Coaching Appointment

1 – Mr. Galipeau 2 – Mr. Grab

The Board of Education 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, per the current BTA contract.

Football

Volunteer Assistant - William McLoughlan

6 Yes Motion Carried

Creation of Additional Elementary

Teaching Position 1 – Ms. Wertz 2 – Mr. Grab

The Board of Education authorizes the creation of one (1) 1.0 FTE Elementary position in order to accommodate higher than normal enrollments in Kindergarten effective with the 2014-15 school year.

6 Yes Motion Carried

Leave of Absence 1 – Ms. Wertz 2 – Mr. Grab

The Board of Education approves the following request for a leave of absence:

Name	Title	Type of Leave	Leave Start	Leave End	Comments/Location
Angie Harris	Special Education Teacher	Childcare	9/2/14	11/7/14	Extension of Leave Elementary School

6 Yes Motion Carried

Business/Finance

BY CONSENT

1 – Mr. Grab 2 – Ms. Wertz

Financial Reports The Board of Education accepts and approves the following financial reports:

- Claims Audit Report - June 2014
- Extra Classroom Activity Report - June 2014
- Appropriation Status Report - June 2014
- Budget Transfer Report - June 2014
- Revenue Budget Status Report - June 2014
- District Treasurer's Report (includes School Lunch Fund P&L) - June 2014
- Claims Audit Report - July 2014
- Extra Classroom Activity Report - July 2014
- Appropriation Status Report - July 2014
- Budget Transfer Report - July 2014

Substitute Rate Change

The Board of Education approves the following substitute rate effective for the 2014 - 2015 school year:

Substitute Position	2013-2014	2014-2015
Hourly Rate:		
Office Aide	\$8	\$9

**Disposal of Damaged
Equipment**

The Board of Education approves the disposal of the following damaged items:

Item	Make	Reason	Location
Stereo Speaker	Boston Acoustics	Broken	Room 315
Stereo Speaker	Sharp	Broken	Room 315
iPad	Apple	Beyond Repair	CSE Office

END OF CONSENT

6 Yes Motions Carried

**NYS Office of the State Comptroller
Report of Examination**

1 – Mr. Grab 2 – Ms. McCarthy
The Board of Education accepts the Office of the New York State Comptroller's Report of Examination of Brunswick Central School District Financial Condition, July 1, 2010 - June 30, 2012 and approves the district's corrective action plan.

6 Yes Motion Carried

**Residuals Service
Agreement**

1 – Ms. Wertz 2 – Ms. McCarthy
The Board of Education approves the service agreement with Empire Zero for the disposition of food waste residuals on the terms set forth therein. The Board also authorizes the Assistant Superintendent of Business to sign said service agreement on behalf of the district.

6 Yes Motion Carried

**Affordable Care Act Consulting
& Administrative Services Agreement**

1 – Mr. Galipeau 2 – Ms. Wertz
The Board of Education approves a three year service agreement between the district and Benetch, Inc for Affordable Care Act Consulting and Administrative Services at an annual fee of \$11,045.

6 Yes Motion Carried

2014-15 Tax Levy

1 – Mr. Grab 2 – Ms. Wertz
The Board of Education was authorized by the district voters on May 20, 2014 to raise the necessary funds for the general budget of the 2014-15 school year, through a property tax levy of \$11, 777,730 and the Board of Education applies the equalized rates by town and confirms the extension of taxes as they appear on the following described roll:

<i>Town</i>	<i>Taxable Assessed Value (14-15)</i>	<i>State Determined Equalization Rate</i>	<i>Full Value</i>	<i>Share of Tax Levy</i>	<i>2014-15 Tax Levy</i>	<i>Tax rate per \$1000 of Assessed Value</i>
Brunswick	\$109,974,674	26.70%	\$411,890,165	66.793%	\$7,866,723.69	\$71.532139
Grafton	\$2,705,063	8.15%	\$33,190,957	5.382%	\$633,916.78	\$234.344553
Pittstown	\$106,454,038	66.00%	\$161,293,997	26.156%	\$3,080,567.14	\$28.938002
Poestenkill	\$2,156,686	26.60%	\$8,107,842	1.315%	\$154,852.33	\$71.801055
Schaghticoke	\$532,355	24.40%	\$2,181,783	0.354%	\$41,670.05	\$78.274929
TOTALS:	\$221,822,816		\$616,664,744	100.00%	\$11,777,730.00	

6 Yes Motion Carried

PUBLIC COMMENT None

EXECUTIVE SESSION

1 – Mr. Grab 2 – Ms. Wertz

The Board of Education entered into Executive Session at 8:50 PM in accordance with the Open Meeting Law, Chapter 5111, Article 7 and Subdivision E&F of the Laws of 1977 and Formal Opinion of Council No.239, Paragraph B to discuss the following checked item(s):

X	Current litigation;
	Collective negotiations under the Taylor Law;
	The medical, financial, credit or employment history of a particular person or corporation;
	Matters leading to the appointment, employment, promotion, demotion, discipline, suspension, dismissal or removal of a particular person or corporation;
X	The proposed acquisition, sale or lease of real property (Parker School);
X	Other Update on CSEA Grievance

6 Yes Motion Carried

RETURN TO PUBLIC SESSION

1 – Mr. Grab 2 – Mr. Galipeau

The Board of Education returned to Public Session at 9:34 PM in accordance with the Open Meeting Law, Chapter 5111, Article 7 and Subdivision E&F of the Laws of 1977 and Formal Opinion of Council No.239, Paragraph B to vote on the following resolution:

6 Yes Motion Carried

**BTA Grievance
Resolution**

1 – Mr. Grab

2 – Ms. Wertz

The Board of Education approves the resolution of the Brittonkill Teachers' Association (BTA) demand for arbitration at a cost not to exceed \$11,000 and authorizes the Board President to execute a stipulation of settlement on behalf of the district.

6 Yes Motion Carried

**MOTION TO
ADJOURN**

1 – Mr. Grab

2 – Mr. Murphy

The Board of Education adjourned at 9:35 p.m.

6 Yes Motion Carried

Respectfully submitted,

ANGELINA MALONEY, SUPERINTENDENT

Angelina Maloney

LYN DERWAY, DISTRICT CLERK

Lyn Derway

MARIA LEWIS, BOARD SECRETARY

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