

Tentative minutes of the **Bethel Board of Education Regular Meeting** held on **Thursday, March 4, 2010**, in Board of Education Conference Room E.

Attendance: None

Administrative Attendance: G. Chesley, T. Yonsky, P. Cosentino, L. DiBiase, R. Germinaro, D. Muharem, L. Pica

L. Craybas, Chairman, called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

1. **Call to Order**
 - A. ***Roll Call for Quorum***

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

Board Members Absent: K. Harrison, C. McCorkindale

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

2. **Approval of Minutes**
 - A. ***January 26, 2010 – Regular Meeting***

Motion by S. Carlsen: Move to approve the minutes of *January 26, 2010 – Regular Meeting*.
Seconded by M. O'Brien
Motion Carried Unanimously

- B. ***February 2, 2010 – Special Meeting***

Motion by S. Carlsen: Move to approve the minutes of *February 2, 2010 – Special Meeting*.
Seconded by J. DeRosa
Motion Carried Unanimously

- C. ***February 4, 2010 – Regular Meeting***

Motion by S. Carlsen: Move to approve the minutes of *February 4, 2010 – Regular Meeting*.
Seconded by A. Mannion
Motion Carried Unanimously

- D. ***February 18, 2010 – Regular Meeting***

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Motion by S. Carlsen: Move to approve the minutes of February 18, 2010 – Regular Meeting.
Seconded by None
Motion Carried Failed

Tabled. Motion postponed for clarification.

3. **Correspondence**

None.

4. **Board Recognition**

Gifts to the School System:

Rockwell School, \$1,000 from Mr. & Mrs. Keener, Bethel, CT.

5. **Audience Participation**

None.

6. **Administrative/Board Member Update**

A. Applied Behavior Analysis Services for Children with Autism

Linda Pica, Director of Special Education & Pupil Services and Dan Smith, BCBA spoke to the Board about the ABA services provided by the district and the district's behavior analyst.

Dr. Chesley spoke about the Sodexo and Bethel Education Foundation newsletters. He reviewed the district's results from the Fall 2009 Kindergarten Inventory and spoke about the Wilder Research report regarding the impact of Preschool on education and SPED costs in Michigan. Dr. Chesley also spoke about an article on the benefits of the study of music on all aspects of education.

7. **Reports to the Board**

A. Curriculum

1. Textbook Approval

a. Facing History and Ourselves

Motion by J. DeRosa: Move to approve the textbook *Facing History and Ourselves*.
Seconded by S. Carlsen
Motion Carried Unanimously

B. Personnel

1. Job Descriptions Approval

a. Medical Advisor - 4.06

Motion by S. Carlsen: Move to approve Job Description – Medical Advisor – 4.06.
Seconded by J. DeRosa
Motion Carried Unanimously

2. *Leave of Absence*

**Motion by A. Mannion: Move to approve the following Leave of Absence:
Rachael Schwartz, 1/14/10 to end of School Year – Child Rearing Leave
Seconded by J. DeRosa
Motion Carried Unanimously**

**Motion by J. DeRosa: Move to accept the following Resignations:
Cheryl Eastman, BHS, Special Education – effective 6/30/10.
Jamie McDonald, BHS, Business Teacher – effective 6/30/10.
Jeffrey Sherman, BHS, Business Teacher – effective 6/30/10.
Laura Ross, BHS, Spanish Teacher – effective 6/30/10.
Seconded by S. Carlsen
Motion Carried Unanimously**

8. **Recommended Executive Session**

CT General Statutes 1-210(b)(10)

1. *Discussion concerning confidential attorney- client privileged written communications*

**Motion by J. DeRosa: Move to enter into Executive Session at 7:56 p.m.
Seconded by R. Renner
Motion Carried Unanimously**

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M. O'Brien, R. Renner

Board Members Absent: K. Harrison, C. McCorkindale

Administrators: G. Chesley, T. Yonsky

**Motion by J. DeRosa: Move that the Board of Education come out of Executive
Session at 8:25 p.m.
Seconded by A. Mannion
Motion Carried Unanimously**

9. **Adjourn**

**Motion by J. DeRosa: Move to adjourn at 8:25 p.m.
Seconded by S. Carlsen
Motion Carried Unanimously**

Respectfully submitted,

Susan Pare
Board Recorder