

Tentative minutes of the **Bethel Board of Education Regular Meeting** held on **Thursday, May 6, 2010**, in Board of Education Conference Room E.

Attendance: None

Administrative Attendance: G. Chesley, J. Jordan, T. Yonsky, P. Chapman, D. DeBlois, B. Germinaro

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: M. Duff (arrived 7:30 p.m.), S. Carlsen, C. McCorkindale, A. Mannion, R. Renner, L. Craybas, M. O'Brien (arrived 7:10 p.m.), K. Harrison

Board Members Absent: J. DeRosa

2. **Board Recognition/A Salute to Excellence**  
***A. CABA Student Leadership Awards***

The Board recognized the following students on receiving the CABA Student Leadership Award for 2010: Isabelle Miner, Bethel High School and, Drew Ziegler, Bethel Middle School. Those not present: Grant Smith, Bethel High School and Kelly Roper, Bethel Middle School.

3. **Approval of Minutes**  
***A. April 15, 2010 – Regular Meeting***

**Motion by S. Carlsen: Move to approve the minutes of April 15, 2010 – Regular Meeting.**

**Seconded by C. McCorkindale**

**AYE: S. Carlsen, C. McCorkindale, R. Renner, L. Craybas, M. O'Brien**

**NAY: None**

**Abstain: K. Harrison, A. Mannion**

**Motion Carried**

***B. April 15, 2010 – Executive Session***

**Motion by M. O'Brien: Move to approve the minutes of April 15, 2010 – Executive Session as amended.**

**Seconded by S. Carlsen**

**AYE: S. Carlsen, C. McCorkindale, M. O'Brien, R. Renner, L. Craybas**

**NAY: None**

**Abstain: K. Harrison, A. Mannion**

**Motion Carried**

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**C. April 15, 2010 – Executive Session**

**Motion by M. O'Brien: Move to approve the minutes of April 15, 2010 – Executive Session.**

**Seconded by S. Carlsen**

**AYE: S. Carlsen, C. McCorkindale, M. O'Brien, R. Renner, L. Craybas**

**NAY: None**

**Abstain: K. Harrison, A. Mannion**

**Motion Carried**

**4. Correspondence**

None.

**5. Audience Participation**

None.

**6. Administrative/Board Member Update**

Teri Yonsky, Director of Fiscal Services, informed the Board that the U.S. Department of Agriculture is requiring all school systems to rebid their food services contracts. She said she is at the start of the open bidding process and will bring a recommendation to the full Board in June.

Dr. Chesley informed the Board that Linda Anderson, Summer School Director, is providing incoming Kindergarten students who are unable to attend summer school for Pre-Kindergarten skills an mp3 player loaded with the skill lessons needed.

The Board discussed the budget information flyer recently mailed to residents.

C. McCorkindale said she doesn't feel it is appropriate to do it the way it is done. She said there should be some acknowledgment of another opinion. She feels the flyer implies political endorsement.

Dr. Chesley said a budget information flyer has been sent out to residents for 12 years and is legal. Mr. Craybas said it is totally appropriate to send out the budget information flyer and the information is exactly what was presented to the Board of Finance and Board of Selectmen. Mr. Craybas noted that residents have the opportunity to come to every meeting during the budget process and review and question every aspect of the budget.

Dr. Chesley spoke about the Gideons distributing material to students while on Town property at the high school during the week. He said the Board may want to add language from the CABE recommended policy #1140. Referred to subcommittee.

Dr. Jordan spoke to the Board about participation in Race to the Top. She has been told Bethel stands to receive \$140,000 with Title I funding at \$51,444 for a total of \$191,444.

**Motion by S. Carlsen: Move to approve participation in Race to the Top - Phase 2.  
Seconded by R. Renner  
Motion Carried Unanimously**

**7. Reports to the Board**

**A. *Curriculum***

**1. *TEAM 3 – Year Plan Presentation***

Dr. Jordan reviewed the TEAM 3-year plan for the teacher education and mentoring program. Dr. Jordan said it is an improvement of the BEST program and raises the expectations of the mentors.

**Motion by S. Carlsen: Move to adopt TEAM 3 – Year Plan  
Seconded by R. Renner  
Motion Carried Unanimously**

**2. *Social Studies – Grade 2***

Tabled.

**B. *Policy***

**a. *Policy 5131.913, Cyberbullying***

**Motion by S. Carlsen: Move to approve Policy 5131.913, Cyberbullying as amended.  
Seconded by A. Mannion  
Motion Carried Unanimously**

**b. *Policy/Regulation 5131.911, Bullying Behavior in the Schools***

**Motion by A. Mannion: Move to approve Policy/Regulation 5131.911, Bullying Behavior in the Schools.  
Seconded by S. Carlsen  
Motion Carried Unanimously**

**c. *Policy/Regulation 5131.82 – Restrictions on Print or Electronic Material Created or Copied by Students***

**Motion by S. Carlsen: Move to approve Policy/Regulation 5131.82 – Restrictions on Print or Electronic Material Created or Copied by Students.  
Seconded by R. Renner**

S. Carlsen withdrew the motion.

**Motion by L. Craybas: Move to table Policy/Regulation 5131.82 – Restrictions on Print or Electronic Material Created or Copied by Students and refer to policy subcommittee.**

**Seconded by S. Carlsen**

**Motion Carried Unanimously**

**C. Personnel**

**1. Resignations**

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

**Patricia Rayner, Dept. Chair, Science Teacher, BHS**

**Charles Isselee, K-12 Coordinator, Psychologist, Systemwide**

**Laura Fry, K-12 Coordinator, Social Worker, Systemwide**

**Seconded by C. McCorkindale**

**Motion Carried Unanimously**

**Motion by S. Carlsen: Move to enter into Executive Session at 8:55 p.m.**

**Seconded by A. Mannion**

**Motion Carried Unanimously**

**8. Recommended Executive Session**

***CT General Statutes 1-210(b)(9)***

**1. Negotiations**

Board Members Present: M. Duff, S. Carlsen, C. McCorkindale, A. Mannion, R. Renner, L. Craybas, M. O'Brien, K. Harrison (left 9:00 p.m.)

Board Members Absent: J. DeRosa

Administrative Attendance: G. Chesley, J. Jordan, T. Yonsky

**Motion by S. Carlsen: Move that the Board of Education come out of Executive Session at 9:15 p.m.**

**Seconded by L. Craybas**

**Motion Carried Unanimously**

**Motion by A. Mannion: Move that the Board of Education revise the Superintendent's July 1, 2009 – June 30, 2010 contract to reflect a change in the allocation of base salary components with a net reduction in cost to the Board of Education of \$1,334.48.**

**Seconded by S. Carlsen**

**Motion Carried Unanimously**

9. **Adjourn**

**Motion by S. Carlsen: Move to adjourn at 9:15 p.m.**

**Seconded by A. Mannion**

**Motion Carried Unanimously**

Respectfully submitted,

Susan Paré  
Board Recorder