

BETHANY BOARD OF EDUCATION
Regular Meeting Minutes
October 11, 2017

PRESENT

James Bruni
Doreen Fox
Inez Kelso
John Paul Garcia
Christopher Pittenger
Dorothy Seaton
Lynette White
Namita Wijsekera

ADMINISTRATION

Colleen Murray
Robert Davis
Diane Krivda

ABSENT

Vivian Shih

1. CALL TO ORDER

- a. Dr. Pittenger called the meeting to order at 6:35 p.m. followed by the Pledge of Allegiance and the reading of the Mission Statement.

2. PRESENTATION

- a. Mr. Davis gave a presentation on Smarter Balanced.

3. PTO REPORT

- a. A PTO report was given by MaryGrace Crisci. Mrs. Crisci reported on recent and upcoming PTO events.

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- a. **Motion** by Seaton, seconded by Garcia to accept the September 13, 2017 Regular Meeting Minutes as amended. *The motion carries 8 yes, 1 absent (Shih).*

5. COMMITTEE REPORTS

- a. The Finance Committee met recently and recommended:
 - i. **Motion** by Garcia, seconded by Kelso to accept the report of expenditures and adjustments to the adopted 2017-2018 Operating Budget through September 30, 2017, as presented. *The motion carries 8 yes, 1 absent (Shih).*
- b. The Curriculum Committee met earlier this afternoon and discussed professional learning, curriculum updates and SBAC scores.
- c. The Facilities Committee met recently and discussed the roof project, running track, playground and the old school house.
- d. The Policy Committee met last night and will present policies for first reading at the November BOE meeting.
- e. The Technology Committee met earlier tonight and received an update on technology and technology curriculum.
- f. The Negotiations Committee has settled on an agreement on the certified contract. BEA will ratify the contract which will be presented to the BOE at the November meeting.
- g. Mrs. Kelso will be attending an ACES meeting tomorrow.
- h. The Transportation Committee has not met recently.

6. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- a. None.

7. NEW BUSINESS

- a. **Motion** by Garcia, seconded by Seaton to grant a Child Care Leave of Absence for Melissa Rakowski through January 1, 2018. *The motion carries 8 yes, 1 absent (Shih).*
- b. **Motion** by Garcia, seconded by Wijesekera to approve the PTO Running Track Project to be installed on school grounds. *The motion carries 8 yes, 1 absent (Shih).*
- c. **Motion** by Wijesekera, seconded by Seaton to declare the School Roof and Canopy Replacement Project is complete, all payments have been made and the project be officially closed. *The motion carries 8 yes, 1 absent (Shih).*
- d. Mrs. Murray discussed the 2018-2019 School Calendar process and alignment to Amity's calendar.

8. ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

- a. Superintendent's Report:
 - Mrs. Murray reported that BCS student enrollment on October 1, 2017, was 364 students.
 - Mrs. Murray reported on the Playground Project. Most of the pieces have been installed and the rubber surfacing has been laid down. Two pieces are on back order and are expected to arrive in mid-November.
 - Mrs. Murray stated the BOE Open Forum will be held on October 18th from 6:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. The Forum will be immediately followed by a BOE Budget Workshop.
 - Mrs. Murray announced the resignation of Jill Querker, Part-time Office Clerk. Dana Menzies, Reading Consultant and Diane Krivda, Director of Curriculum and Learning will be retiring at the end of the school year.
 - Mrs. Murray presented and discussed her Superintendent Goals.
- b. Robert Davis, Principal reported on:
 - Open House Recap
 - Lion's Club Grade 3 Dictionary Project
 - ACES Open Choice Meeting
 - Parent Academy on Internet Safety
 - BVFD Fire Prevention Day
 - Hats On for Hurricane Relief
 - Walk to School Day
 - Parent/Teacher Conferences
 - Junior Achievement Day
 - The 2nd and 3rd Grades were awarded the Jamie Hulley Foundation Award
- c. Diane Krivda, Director of Curriculum and Learning reported on:
 - October 4th Professional Learning
 - Science Unit Update

9. CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

- a. Dr. Pittenger stated that a letter was sent to BCS families earlier this week.
- b. Dr. Pittenger reiterated the BOE Open Forum will be held on October 18th followed by the BOE Budget Workshop.

10. CORRESPONDENCE

- a. None.

11. VISITORS PUBLIC COMMENT

- a. None.

12. MEETING ADJOURNMENT

- a. **Motion** by Garcia, seconded by Seaton to adjourn the meeting at 8:15 p.m. *The motion carries 8 yes, 1 absent (Shih).*

Respectfully submitted,

Susan L. Carpenter
Recorder

Approved on November 8, 2017

APPROVED