

DATE: March 9, 2009

KIND OF MEETING: Regular Meeting

LOCATION: High School Library

MEMBERS PRESENT: Steven Curran Robert Devins Isabelle Dorey  
David Dufrane Valerie Dunning Dennis Egan  
Paula Niles Stephen Perry Tracy Warren

OTHERS PRESENT: Robin Jones, Superintendent of Schools  
Steven Grenville, Secondary Principal  
Catherine Devins, Middle Level Principal/CSE Chair  
Cynthia Lauzon, Interim Elementary Principal  
Angela DeBeer, Treasurer  
Christina Dufrane, Secretary to the Superintendent  
Connie Jenkins, Malone Telegram  
John Warneck Bill Dunning Gene Pickering  
Larry White Cheryl Rockhill

CALL TO ORDER: The Regular Meeting of the Brushton-Moira Central School District's Board of Education was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by President, David Dufrane.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Members of the Board and those in the audience rose and said the Pledge of Allegiance.

ATHLETIC HALL OF FAME: Mr. Bill Dunning asked the Board about being able to display items from the Hall of Fame. It was discussed about moving some display cases by the gym but they were unable to move them so he asked about being able to put the items in a different place. The Board agreed and advised Mr. Dunning to work with Head Custodian, Marty Burnett.

FIRE SAFETY REPORT: Mr. John Warneck informed the Board that the Fire Inspection had occurred in December and he had found a few violations. Everything had been corrected and the district is all set now to receive their Certificate of Occupancy.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: Motion made by Tracy Warren, and seconded by Paula Niles, that the Board of Education shall enter into Executive Session to discuss Student Issues, Personnel Issues, and Negotiations, at 7:05 p.m. Motion voted and carried.

8-Yes 0-No

MEMBER ARRIVES: Steven Curran arrived at 7:06 p.m.

RETURN TO REGULAR SESSION: Motion made by Dennis Egan, and seconded by Stephen Perry, that the Board of Education shall return to Regular Session, at 7:59 p.m. Motion voted and carried.

9-Yes 0-No

MEMBER ITEMS: Mr. Devins informed the Board that on February 23<sup>rd</sup> the committee met regarding one bus run and information will be forth coming.

Mrs. Warren asked about the trouble the district is having with the internet. She has had people approach her about their children not being able to work on school items because of the problems with the internet.

INPUT FROM VISITORS: There was no input from visitors.

APPROVE FINANCIAL REPORTS: Upon presentation and recommendation of Robin Jones, Superintendent of Schools, motion made by Stephen Perry, and seconded by Valerie Dunning, that the Board of Education shall file for audit the following Financial Reports:

1. Treasurer’s Reports for January 2009
2. Budget Expenditure Reports for January and February 2009
3. Extracurricular Activities Account Reports for January 2009
4. Cafeteria Profit and Loss Statement for February 2009

Motion voted and carried.

9-Yes 0-No

APPROVE RESOLUTION REGARDING INCREASE IN BUDGET: Upon presentation and recommendation of Robin Jones, Superintendent of Schools, motion made by Tracy Warren, and seconded by Robert Devins, that the Board of Education Shall approve the following resolution:

WHEREAS, THE Board of Education of the Brushton-Moira Central School District, Franklin County, NY desires to increase the appropriations set forth in the 2008-2009 School Budget to fund the contingent expense of payment for sick leave and retirement incentive due to the change in a new contract for Sharlene Foster-Jock (\$4,350) and Bruce Hastings (\$1,587.60); and,

WHEREAS, a Board of Education is empowered to appropriate whatever additional amounts are necessary to pay contingent expenses when the amount in the approved budget is inadequate;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Education of the School District as follows:

Section 1. The budgetary appropriation for the following contingent expense is hereby increased as follows:

A 2110 400 01	Contractual Retirement Incentive	\$5,937.60
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Section 2. The increase in the appropriation listed in Section 1 of this resolution shall be funded by the following:

A 0889	Reserve for Compensated Absences	\$5,937.60
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Motion voted and carried.

9-Yes 0-No

APPROVE BUDGET TRANSFERS: Upon presentation and recommendation of Robin Jones, Superintendent of Schools, motion made by Stephen Perry, and seconded by Valerie Dunning, that the Board of Education shall approve the following Budget Transfers:

<u>TO</u>	<u>FROM</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
A 1680.490	BOCES-Comp. Services	\$52,393.00
	A 1330.160 Tax Collector	\$3,500.00

	A 1420.400 Legal Serv.	\$15,000.00
	A 1910.400 Insurance	\$10,000.00
	A 2630.490 BOCES Comp. AIS	\$6,000.00
	A 2020.150 Administrative Salaries	\$17,893.00
A 2110 490 BOCES Reg. Ed.	A 2020.150 Administrative Salaries	\$18,700.00
A 2250 490 BOCES Special Ed.		\$76,100.00
	A 2020.150 Administrative Salaries	\$3,000.00
	A 2250.150 LD Salaries	\$12,000.00
	A 2250.160 CSE Salaries	\$20,000.00
	A 2280.150 Teacher Sal.- Occ. Ed.	\$20,000.00
	A 2815.400 Nurse- Contractual	\$5,000.00
	A 9040.800 Workers Compensation	\$10,000.00
	A 9060.800 Health Insurance	\$6,100.00

Motion voted and carried.

8-Yes            1-No-Robert Devins

CONSENT AGENDA:

Motion made by Stephen Perry, and seconded by Valerie Dunning, that the Board of Education shall approve the following:

1. Minutes of February 9, 2009
2. Recommendations of the Committee on Special Education for January 18, February 13, 25, and March 4 and 5, 2009
3. Recommendations of the Committee on Pre-School Special Education for February 24, 2009
4. Recommendations of the Section 504 Committee for February 10, March 3, and 4, 2009

Motion voted and carried.

9-Yes            0-No

APPROVE REQUEST FOR MATERNITY LEAVE:

Upon presentation and recommendation of Robin Jones, Superintendent of Schools, motion made by Tracy Warren, and seconded by Stephen Perry, that the Board of Education shall approve the request of Jillian Riley as Special Education Teacher for a Maternity Leave, effective May 15, 2009 through June 25, 2009. Motion voted and carried.

9-Yes            0-No

APPOINT INTERIM ELEMENTARY PRINCIPAL (CORRECTION) AND APPROVE REQUEST FOR LEAVE OF ABSENCE:

Upon presentation and recommendation of Robin Jones, Superintendent of Schools, motion made by Valerie Dunning, and seconded by Robert Devins, that the Board of Education shall appoint Cynthia Lauzon as Interim Elementary Principal while continuing in the Teacher's Contract at her current Step of 5+BS+MS+50 with a stipend of \$5,000 and as Director of PE while supervising the Long-Term Substitute in PE and to approve a leave of absence from the position of Physical Education Teacher, retroactively effective to

January 5, 2009 through June 25, 2009. (correction) Motion voted and carried.

8-Yes 1-No-Tracy Warren

APPOINT 7-12  
HEALTH TEACHER:

Upon presentation and recommendation of Robin Jones, Superintendent of Schools, motion made by Stephen Perry, and seconded by Robert Devins, that the Board of Education shall appoint Lisa Bradley who holds an Initial Certificate in Health Education be appointed in the 7-12 Health tenure area for a probationary period of three (3) years retroactively commencing on September 15, 2008 and terminating on September 14, 2011, salary to be at Step 2, BS+MS+30 of the Agreement between the Brushton-Moira Central School District's Board of Education and the Brushton-Moira Teacher's Association. Motion voted and carried.

9-Yes 0-No

ADOPT 2009-2010  
SCHOOL CALENDAR:

Upon presentation and recommendation of Robin Jones, Superintendent of Schools, motion made by Stephen Perry, and seconded by Steven Curran, that the Board of Education shall adopt the 2009-2010 School Calendar, as presented. Motion voted and carried.

9-Yes 0-No

APPROVE REQUEST FOR  
BASKETBALL CAMP:

Upon presentation and recommendation of Robin Jones, Superintendent of Schools, motion made by Tracy Warren, and seconded by Valerie Dunning, that the Board of Education shall approve the request of Mike Lahendro for Basketball Camp for July 20-24, 2009. Motion voted and carried.

9-Yes 0-No

NOMINATE BOARD  
MEMBER TO SERVE  
ON BOARD OF  
COOPERATIVE  
EDUCATIONAL SERVICES:

Motion made by Paula Niles, and seconded by Steven Curran, that the Board of Education shall nominate Dennis Egan to serve on the Board of Cooperative Educational Services for a three (3) year term from July 1, 2009 through June 30, 2012. Motion voted and carried.

9-Yes 0-No

APPROVE FOOTBALL  
MERGER:

Upon presentation and recommendation of Robin Jones, Superintendent of Schools, motion made by Tracy Warren, and seconded by Paula Niles, that the Board of Education shall approve a Football Merger with St. Lawrence Central School for the 2009-2010 school year, at no cost to the district. Motion voted and carried.

9-Yes 0-No

APPROVE USE OF  
UNUSED  
EMERGENCY CLOSING  
DAYS:

Upon presentation and recommendation of Robin Jones, Superintendent of Schools, motion made by Robert Devins, and seconded by Paula Niles, that the Board of Education shall approve using three (3) of the four (4) remaining Emergency Closing Days for 2008-2009: May 22, April 20, and April 9, 2009, consistent with the plans of the other four component school districts with the North End of the Franklin-Essex-Hamilton BOCES. In the event that a snow

day(s) were needed prior to the close of school on April 9, classes would be held on April 9, April 20, and May 22, 2009, respectively. Motion voted and carried.

8-Yes 1-No-Dennis Egan

APPROVE DONATING SURPLUS SPORTS EQUIPMENT:

Upon presentation and recommendation of Robin Jones, Superintendent of Schools, motion made by Stephen Perry, and seconded by Valerie Dunning, that the Board of Education shall approve donating surplus sports equipment that is no longer being used to the Brushton-Moira Youth League. Motion voted and carried.

9-Yes 0-No

APPROVE BID AWARD FOR DIESEL FOR 2009-2010 SCHOOL YEAR:

Upon presentation and recommendation of Robin Jones, Superintendent of Schools, motion made by Robert Devins, and seconded by Valerie Dunning, that the Board of Education shall approve the bid award for diesel to Adirondack Energy for Plan B for the 2009-2010 school year. Motion voted and carried.

9-Yes 0-No

APPROVE BID AWARD FOR FUEL OIL FOR 2009-2010 SCHOOL YEAR:

Upon presentation and recommendation of Robin Jones, Superintendent of Schools, motion made by Stephen Perry, and seconded by Robert Devins, that the Board of Education shall approve the bid award for fuel oil to Adirondack Energy for Plan B for the Central Building and to Adirondack Energy for Plan B for the Bus Garage for the 2009-2010 school year. Motion voted and carried.

8-Yes 1-No-Dennis Egan

APPROVE RECYCLING DUMPSTER:

Upon presentation and recommendation of Robin Jones, Superintendent of Schools, motion made by Stephen Perry, and seconded by Robert Devins, that the Board of Education shall approve a contract with Casella Waste Services for the monthly lease of a 10-yard dumpster for paper and cardboard recyclables services 1 time per month at a cost of \$60.00 per month (including disposal). Motion voted and carried.

6-Yes 3-No-Isabelle Dorey  
Dennis Egan  
Steven Curran

ACCEPT RESIGNATION:

Upon presentation and recommendation of Robin Jones, Superintendent of Schools, motion made by Stephen Perry, and seconded by Paula Niles, that the Board of Education shall accept the resignation of Janice Cady from the position of 8-hour Monitor for retirement purposes, effective June 30, 2009, with regrets. The Board of Education thanked Ms. Cady for her many years of service and wishes her the best on her retirement. Motion voted and carried.

9-Yes 0-No

APPROVE EMERGENCY RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CLEANUP, REMOVAL, AND REPAIR OR

Upon presentation and recommendation of Robin Jones, Superintendent of Schools, motion made by Steven Curran, and seconded by Tracy Warren, that the Board of Education shall approve the following resolution:

REPLACEMENT OF THE  
HOIST IN THE BUS  
GARAGE:

WHEREAS, the Board of Education of the Brushton-Moira Central School District, Franklin County, New York (the "School District") has been advised that the hoist in the bus garage is leaking, the leak must be cleaned up and the hoist must be repaired or replaced at a maximum cost not to exceed \$15,000 (estimate for clean up only); and,

WHEREAS, a Board of Education may legally transfer funds between budget categories without voter approval for ordinary contingent expenses; and,

WHEREAS, emergency repair or replacement of School District facilities is an ordinary contingent expense;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Education of the School District as follows:

Section 1. The Board of Education hereby declares the clean up and repair or replacement of the hoist as an ordinary contingent expense of the School District.

Section 2. The School District is hereby authorized to undertake the cleanup and repair or replacement of the hoist as an ordinary contingent expense of the School District.

Section 3. The School District shall apply for New York State Building Aid to offset and reduce the total cost of this work to the School District.

Section 4. The School District is hereby authorized to transfer \$15,000 from the School District's Repair Reserve Fund to finance such removal and replacement.

Section 5. Pursuant to the requirements of General Municipal Law Section 6-d(2), one-half of the amount expended from the Repair Reserve Fund shall be repaid to such fund during the 2009-2010 school year and the remainder shall be repaid to such fund during the 2010-2011 school year.

Section 6. This resolution shall take effect immediately.

Motion voted and carried.

9-Yes      0-No

APPROVE OPTING OUT  
OF GENTLEMAN'S  
AGREEMENT:

Motion made by Robert Devins, and seconded by Dennis Egan, that the Board of Education shall opt out of the Gentleman's Agreement regarding the billing of special education and regular education students regarding their school of origin. Motion voted and carried.

9-Yes      0-No

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS:

Ms. Jones thanked all of the Administrators and Managers for keeping everyone on track during such a busy time of year.

Mr. Grenville thanked the staff for another successful ½ Staff Development Day. He is pleased with everyone's willingness to help each other out.

Mrs. Devins congratulated Mr. Angela Pietropaoli and Mr. David Fowler for the wonderful turnout of the National Junior Honor Society Induction.

Miss Lauzon thanked Mrs. Trina Griswold for all she has done in her role as Reading Coach; she informed the Board that the 3<sup>rd</sup> grade classes had gone on their ski trip and everyone had a great time; and last week was the Grades 3-5 Math Assessments and everything seemed to go smoothly.

Miss Lauzon in the role of Athletic Director invited Members of the Board to the awards program on Thursday, March 12<sup>th</sup>. Dinner will be at 5:30 and the awards start at 7:00; she also thanked the school nurses for their hard work with sports physicals.

**BUDGET UPDATE:** Treasurer, Angela DeBeer informed the Board that she didn't have any new information at this time. A Special Meeting has been set for March 24<sup>th</sup> to discuss budget information.

**EXECEL PROJECT UPDATE:** Mrs. DeBeer reminded Members of the Board that the architects would be in the district on March 20<sup>th</sup> @ 9:00 a.m. to do a complete walk through of the building.

**MAINTENANCE NEEDS:** Ms. Jones reminded the Board that they should be thinking of prioritizing what they would like to see done with the 1, 3 and 5 year plans.

**HOME INSTRUCTION:** Ms. Jones mentioned to the Board that the Home Instruction Policy was kind of vague in some areas that we needed to add specific information in certain areas. A revised policy will be forthcoming.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:** Motion made by Stephen Perry, and seconded by Dennis Egan, that the Board of Education shall enter into Executive Session to discuss Personnel Issues, at 9:35 p.m. Motion voted and carried.

9-Yes      0-No

**RETURN TO REGULAR SESSION:** Motion made by Tracy Warren, and seconded by Stephen Perry, that the Board of Education shall return to Regular Session, at 9:54 p.m. Motion voted and carried.

9-Yes      0-No

**ADJOURNMENT:** Motion made by Tracy Warren, and seconded by Robert Devins, to adjourn the Regular Meeting of the Board of Education. Motion voted and carried.

9-Yes      0-No

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Education was adjourned at 9:55 p.m.

Minutes approved by:

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Clerk of the Board