

## **Minutes of December 10, 201, Regular School Board Meeting**

**General**- President Schwartzfisher called to order the regular meeting of the Beaver Island Community School Board at 7:30 pm on Monday, December 10, 2011.

**Present**- Barb Schwartzfisher, Dana Hodgson, Dawn Marsh, Nancy Tritsch, Karen Johnson, Jessica Anderson.

**Absent**- Brian Cole

**Others Present** – Kitty McNamara, Beth Croswhite, Cindy Cushman, Lynn Cary & Rose Cole

**Public Comment** – Cindy Cushman read an email that she had sent to the Board & Kitty McNamara regarding parental concerns about the University of Chicago Math Program that is being used currently. One of the greatest concerns was that assignments are given with no prior instruction, therefore making it difficult for students to complete as homework. McNamara is willing to assess all of the math classes. She also referred to a newsletter that she had previously sent out regarding the math program. She is going to provide an analysis to the board & parents on the current math program.

**Approval of Minutes**- Moved by Hodgson, supported by Anderson, to approve the November 14, 201, Regular School Board Meeting Minutes as presented. Motion carried.

**Treasurer's Report** – The board received a monthly budget update and a draft amended budget for the current fiscal year. The board was asked to review the supporting documents for the budget amendment in anticipation of approving the amended budget at the January meeting.

**Lead Teacher** – Mrs. Croswhite reported on the work of lead teachers. Senior presentations are coming up and there was positive feedback on senior presentation work session for students, parents and mentors. Seven new students enrolled in October. Report on a social review that will be up on December 21<sup>st</sup>. Mrs. Robert is having a Christmas breakfast with students. Safety patrol is still working with a slightly different work agenda. Christmas program is December 14<sup>th</sup> at 7 pm at the Community Center.

**Policy Committee Report**- Report of minutes attached. The board held the first reading on food allergies, board member compensation, & credit card policies. Policy committee is looking into drug free, technology, & suspension/expulsion policies. Next on the agenda is locker search & grading policies.

**Administrative Update** - McNamara reported on the well water problem & the correction of the problem. See misc notes report.

**Round Robin** – No comments.

Respectfully submitted \_\_\_\_\_

Dana Hodgson, Secretary, Board of Education