

DRAFT Minutes of October 14, 2013, Regular School Board Meeting

General– President Jessica Anderson called to order the **October 14, 2013, Regular** School Board Meeting of the Beaver Island Community School Board at **7:30 p.m.**

Present

Jessica Anderson	Dawn Marsh	Karen Johnson
Gerald LaFreniere	Dana Hodgson	

Absent

Barbara Schwartzfisher	Brian Cole
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Others

Riley Justis	Alice Belfy	Deb Robert	Missy Williams
Sheri Richards	Kim Mitchell	Carol Burton	

Public Comment – Public comment was made by Carol Burton on the school lunch program.

Approval of Minutes – Moved by Johnson, supported by LaFreniere, to approve the **September 9, 2013, Regular** School Board Meeting Minutes as presented. Motion carried – unanimous decision.

Moved by LaFreniere, supported by Marsh, to approve the minutes of the **September, 2013, Special** School Board Meeting Minutes as presented. Motion carried – unanimous decision.

Treasurer’s Report – 2013-2014 Section 22d funding for Beaver Island is \$155,460. Unknown is whether 21st CCLC grant will be approved for 2014-2015 and beyond. Justis shared recommended spending priorities, and reported on International Baccalaureate and President of the World programs.

Board Goals - Board goals were reviewed and appear on the school’s website.

Policy Committee Report

First Readings were held on the following policies:

- HIPPA
- Non-Discrimination
- Wellness
- Homeless Students

Riley reviewed a draft of the new electronic policy manual.

Policy Committee Report – continued

Next policies for evaluation and/or review include:

- Dress Code
- Technology Usage
- Bids and Quotes – new policy
- Purchasing of Goods and services – new policy
- Curriculum Development
- Board Compensation

The committee reported developing an “administrative guidelines” for home-school students as a policy on home-schooled students is now a required policy. By law, home-schooled students are eligible to enroll in two non-core classes.

Administrative Update

Beaver Island had support from over 300 schools regarding MHSAA eligibility – MHSAA granted Beaver Island a one year waiver and invited Beaver Island to MHSAA’s December meeting. There needs to be a long-term solution for small schools. MEAP testing issue was resolved with MDE. Teachers will attend November 6 Char-Em Area-Wide Professional Development Day at Boyne City High School. A practice fire drill was held today, and our Emergency Action Plan discussed at the last staff meeting. More info on the Emergency Action Plan can be found on the school’s website. Gerald LaFreniere will attend MASB’s annual conference in Lansing October 25-27, 2013. Boilers have not yet been turned on due to the nice weather. BICS will apply to Grand Traverse Band of Ottawa & Chippewa Indians for a grant, as well as for a three year \$35,000 grant with STEM. Two-minute classroom observations have been occurring with observations incorporated into teacher evaluations. With updates, the 21st Century Learning on Beaver Island booklet may still be a valuable communication tool. School lunches will continue to be monitored. Interquest contract was not renewed -- instead Charlevoix County Sheriff’s Department dogs will be used for routine searches. For the second year in a row, Beaver Island has been identified as one of the 347 Reward schools of the 4,247 schools in Michigan for 2013-2014. Wednesday, November 13, is the next Char-Em Boards Association meeting at Petoskey High School. The topic is teacher evaluation. Please let Alice know if you are interested in attending.

CHARLEVOIX COUNTY SHERIFF’S DEPARTMENT - Motion: Moved by Hodgson, supported by LaFreniere, to use the services of Charlevoix County Sheriff’s Department when conducting drug searches during the 2013-2014 school year. Yeas: Hodgson, LaFreniere, Johnson, Marsh, and Anderson. Motion carried – unanimous decision.

Round Robin - Each board member had a chance to make a comment or bring up a concern.

Adjournment – Meeting adjourned at 9:15 p.m.

Submitted by: _____
Alice Belfy, Recording Secretary

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