

**DRAFT Minutes of November 11, 2013, Regular School Board Meeting**

**General** – President Jessica Anderson called to order the **November 11, 2013, Regular** School Board Meeting of the Beaver Island Community School Board at **7:30 p.m.**

**Present**

Jessica Anderson	Karen Johnson	Barb Schwartzfisher
Gerald LaFreniere	Dana Hodgson	

**Absent**

Brian Cole	Dawn Marsh
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**Others**

Riley Justis	Alice Belfy	Deb Robert	Missy Williams
Sheri Richards	Kim Mitchell	Sue Avery	Rachael Wilber
Connie Boyle	Julie Martin		

**Additions(s) to Agenda** – Snow Bid

**Public Comment** – Public comment concerning the use of student cell phone usage was made by Kim Mitchell. Riley and Kim will meet to further discuss concerns.

Rachel Wilber requested board support, booster club support, and/or fundraising approval for the purchase of cheerleading uniforms (a newly organized club). Rachel estimates the cost of uniforms at \$100 per uniform, or \$800.00 total. The board requested a budget and images of the proposed uniforms.

**Snow Bid** – Moved by Hodgson, supported by Johnson, to accept the snow removal bid as submitted from Adam Anderson. Ayes: Schwartzfisher, Johnson, LaFreniere, Hodgson. Nays: None. Abstaining: Anderson. Motion carried.

**Approval of Minutes** – Moved by LaFreniere, supported by Hodgson, to approve the **October 14, 2013, Regular** School Board Meeting Minutes as presented. Motion carried – unanimous decision.

**Treasurer's Report** – An immediate priority is to determine the best snow fence/blockage allowing better access and snow removal from north side of building. Section 21f will allow students in grades 5 through 12 to take two online courses per semester from other Michigan school districts. The home school district is responsible for the cost of the course as well as meeting other State reporting requirements. The district recently received \$24,350.00 on property tax adjustments, and made a \$71,000.00 bond interest payment.

**Board Member MASB Conference Report** – Gerald LaFreniere attended Michigan Association of School Boards (MASB) Annual Fall Conference last month in Lansing. Sessions attended included general session workshops for new school board members and superintendent evaluation.

**Round Robin Process Discussion** – Members expressed opposing concern about the way round robin is being utilized, believing serious concerns need to be taken to the appropriate individual and then, if necessary,

added to the agenda for discussion at a future meeting. President Anderson will update the board at next month's meeting after discussing concern with absent members Cole and Marsh.

**Board Goals** – Justis updated members on progress made from the last meeting on work towards meeting or accomplishing board defined goals. The goals are located on the school's website.

### **Policy Committee Report**

**First Readings** on the following policies are tabled until the December board meeting:

- Dress Code
- Technology Usage
- Purchasing/Bids and Quotes

The **Curriculum Development Policy** review will occur at a later time.

**Second Readings** occurred on the following policies:

- HIPPA
- Wellness
- Non-Discrimination
- Homeless Students

**Administrative Review** – Several teachers were unable to attend Char-Em's Professional Development Day at Boyne City due to weather. Riley and one board member will attend the November 13<sup>th</sup> Char-Em Boards' Association Workshop. First marking period parent-teacher conferences were held (audience member felt that 10 minutes was too short). Riley commended the volleyball team on a great season, including MHSAA district-level competition. Five Juniors visited North Central Michigan College and Northwestern Michigan College. The 21<sup>st</sup> CCLC Consortium held training for their group of 18 on Beaver Island. Five art teacher applications have been completed through Applitrak. Implications of Section 21f to Beaver Island (the 5<sup>th</sup> through 12<sup>th</sup> grade online course mandate that takes effect January 2014) are being looked at. Attendance reporting for seminar has improved by grouping students by grade level.

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

**Adjournment** – Meeting adjourned at 8:55 p.m.

Submitted by: \_\_\_\_\_  
Alice Belfy, Recording Secretary