

The Charles A. Beard Memorial School Corporation Board of School Trustees called a Regular Session to order at 7:00 pm. The meeting was held at Knightstown High School located at 8149 W. US 40, Knightstown, IN 46148. Those in attendance were:

Attendance:

- **Board Members:** Wade Beatty, Kevin Knott, Gerald Leonard, Don Scheumann, Melissa Toth, Michelle White
- **Central Office Staff:** Stephanie Madison, Treasurer; Erin Riggle, Deputy Treasurer
- **Administrators:** Scott Ritchie, Danielle Carmichael
- **Media:** Knightstown Banner
- **Patrons:** Approximately 20 patrons

OPENING OF PUBLIC MEETING

1.01 – Pledge of Allegiance and a Moment of Silence

1.02 - Call to Order/Roll Call

The Board President called the meeting to order at 7:01 pm. Roll call was taken and it was noted that all members were present.

1.03 - Appointment of board member

Mr. Beatty received a letter of interest from Jena Schmidt. He had contact with another interested candidate, Ralph Hecht, but had not yet received his letter. Mrs. Toth stated that she had received his letter via email, but she did not have it with her. The appointment is for the term ending December 31, 2013, then another appointment will be made in January 2014 for the 4-year term ending December 31, 2017. The candidate would have to run in elections in 2016 in order to seek another term after December 31, 2017.

Mr. Scheumann stated that Mrs. Schmidt is a very good candidate for the board due to her experience with the school corporation. Mr. Scheumann made the motion to approve Mrs. Schmidt for the board term ending December 31, 2013. Mrs. Toth gave the second. Motion carried 6-0. Mr. Hittle, School Attorney, gave Mrs. Schmidt the oath of office and she was appointed to the board.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

2.01 – Adoption of Agenda for the July 16, 2013 Regular Meeting

Out of District Transfers, Disposal of Scrap Metal, and Tractor Lease Agreement were added to the agenda. Mr. Beatty made the motion to adopt the agenda with the additions. Mr. Knott gave the second. Motion carried 7-0.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

3.01 – Approval of Minutes from June 18, 2013 Regular Session

Mr. Leonard moved to approve the minutes from the June 18, 2013 meeting. Mrs. White gave the second. Motion carried 5-0-2 (Mr. Knott and Mrs. Schmidt abstained)

SUPERINTENDENT’S RECOGNITIONS/ANNOUNCEMENTS

No recognitions or announcements were made.

CONSENT AGENDA –

5.01 Approval of Bills for July 16, 2013

5.02 Approval of Financial Reports for time period ending June 30, 2013

5.03 Approval of Personnel Report for July 16, 2013

Mr. Beatty read the claims report. Mrs. Madison stated the payroll projections include the savings for non-replacement of staff.

Mr. Ritchie read the items on the personnel report. Mr. Beatty asked to be added to the list of bus drivers up for approval as he drives the FFA bus to the fair. Mr. Beatty was added to the list of drivers for approval.

Mr. Knott made the motion to approve the claims and financial reports for June 30, 2013. Mr. Leonard gave the second. Motion carried 7-0.

Mr. Knott moved to approve the 8-week leave of absence request from Rebekah Evans. Mr. Scheumann gave the second. Motion carried 7-0.

Mrs. Schmidt moved to approve the rest of the personnel items as presented. Mrs. White gave the second. Motion carried 5-0-2 (Mr. Beatty and Mr. Scheumann abstained).

INSTRUCTION – ACTION ITEMS

6.01 – School Fees for 2013-14

Mr. Beatty moved to approve the 2013-2014 revised school fees as presented. Mr. Leonard gave the second. Motion carried 7-0.

6.02 – Out of District Transfers

The board discussed whether or not they want to have a cut-off date for out of district transfers due to the addition of an ADM count day in February. Enrollment caps have been set for each grade level according to new state statutes.

INSTRUCTION – REPORTS

BUSINESS AND OPERATIONAL SERVICES – ACTION ITEMS

10.01 Educational Services Agreement

Mr. Beatty stated that he discussed the terms of the contract with the consultant. There was concern that the work could not be done in just two days a week. With all the issues that need to be addressed, it may be necessary to increase the number of days per week. Mr. Beatty asked the board to

set their priorities as the candidate will not have time to work on everything. The priorities are 1) educating students, 2) budget, and 3) laws and mandates are followed and reports submitted in a timely manner.

Mr. Leonard moved to approve the agreement with Educational Services Company. Mr. Scheumann gave the second. Motion carried 7-0.

10.02 Disposal of Scrap Metal

Mrs. Toth moved to approve the disposal of scrap metal at KIS as proposed by Russell Spiker. Second by Mrs. Schmidt. Motion carried 7-0.

10.03 Tractor Lease Agreement

Mr. Spiker presented a tractor and loader lease agreement. The first payment on the plan would be for the trade-in value of the old tractor. Mr. Knott asked what we are currently spending on mower maintenance. Mr. Spiker stated that he has spent \$4000-\$5000 this year alone. With a tractor, he can mow all five facilities in a day and a half versus a full week with three employees on the current mowers.

Mr. Scheumann moved to approve the 5-year lease agreement with AGCO for the purchase of a Massey Ferguson Model 2615L with first payment due March 1, 2014. Mrs. Toth gave the second. Motion carried 7-0.

Mr. Beatty moved to approve scrapping the old Kyote tractor. Second by Mr. Scheumann. Motion carried 7-0.

HEARING OF VISITORS

14.01 – Opportunity for Community to Speak

- John Schwartz, Knightstown – Mr. Schwartz had questions regarding the tractor lease and the building study being done by Barton Coe Vilamaa. He also asked for the name of the consultant from Educational Services that was approved by the board. He added that he would like to see the board progress to the point that it doesn't continue to talk in circles.
- Abby Wehr, Carthage – Mrs. Wehr had concerns with Mr. Beatty's comment that the school is "open for business." She would hate to see CAB bring in a lot of students that could reduce the current attendance and academic rates. Mr. Beatty stated that the state statute has changed and that we cannot "cherry pick" transfer students.

BOARD REPORTS/REQUESTS

15.01– Opportunity for Board to Speak

- Mr. Beatty read a "thank you" note from the high school Robotics Team.
- Mrs. Toth asked if Mrs. Schmidt is automatically the board secretary. Mr. Beatty said no, so in order to fill the office, the board needs to appoint a new secretary. Mr. Scheumann nominated Mrs. Schmidt for board secretary. Second by Mrs. Toth. Motion carried 6-0-1 (Mrs. Schmidt abstained).

- Mr. Scheumann read the statute on transfer students.
- Mrs. Schmidt added that the board needs to elect a Vocational Representative. Mrs. Toth moved to appoint Mr. Leonard as the Vocational Representative. Mr. Knott gave the second. Motion carried 6-0-1 (Mr. Leonard abstained).
- Mr. Knott asked if the intention is to have the service contract signed and the person in place by August 1. Mr. Beatty said yes.
- Mr. Leonard asked if the Superintendent vacancy has been advertised. Mr. Beatty said it has not.

ADJOURNMENT

17.01 – Adjournment of Meeting

With no further business to come before the Board Mr. Beatty adjourned at 8:58 pm.

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MEMBER

VICE PRESIDENT

MEMBER

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