

March 9, 2011  
Special Session  
Board Meeting

The Charles A. Beard Memorial School Corporation Board of School Trustees called a Special Session to order at 6:04 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, Steve Dalton, Mark Fort, Kevin Knott, Leah Kopp, Melissa Toth, Timothy Wehr
- **Central Office Staff:** Gary Storie, Superintendent; Jena Schmidt, Administrative Assistant
- **School Administrators:** Don Scheumann
- **Classroom Teacher Association:** Jane Rodgers, President; Karen Gardner, Vice President
- **Media:** Knightstown Banner
- **Patrons:** Approximately 23 patrons

I. Call to Order

Steve Dalton called the meeting to order at 6:04 pm. Roll call was taken and all members were present. The Pledge to the United States Flag was given and a moment of silence observed.

II. Other

Personnel Items

These items were moved to this portion of the meeting. The Superintendent recommended the following items:

Don Johnson, Elizabeth Johnson, & Tracy Fields – Volunteer Track

Tim Rigney – Volunteer JH Golf

Gary Driesbach – Volunteer Robotics Team

Karen Brading – Special Education Teacher for Carthage/Kennard Elementary beginning Monday, March 14, 2011.

Kevin Knott moved to approve all recommended volunteers as presented. Mark Fort gave the second and motion carried 7-0.

The Superintendent explained his recommendation for Karen Brading, who is currently the Title I ARRA Math Coach. This position is created to fill a need for the remainder of the school year and will be funded from the Federal Jobs Bill. Beginning next school year, this position will be funded by the New Castle Special Services Cooperative. Wade Beatty moved to approve the recommendation with a second by Leah Kopp. Motion carried 7-0.

## Master Contract 2010-2011

The Superintendent informed the Board a tentative agreement had been reached between the Classroom Teachers Association and the Board Negotiating Team. He explained the proposed changes to the Master Contract. He also explained the Memorandum of Understanding relating to a retirement incentive. Timothy Wehr moved to approve the tentative agreement in the 2010-2011 Master Contract with a second by Wade Beatty. Motion carried 7-0.

Timothy Wehr moved to approve the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) regarding a retirement incentive for 2011 with a second by Leah Kopp. After some discussion Wade Beatty moved to amend the MOU to include "or before" on the payment schedule. Melissa Toth gave the second. After more discussion the motion to amend carried 7-0. Voting on amended MOU proceeded and carried 7-0.

### III. Solar Presentation

The Board President addressed the public and to let them know to speak and ask questions as they arise during the presentation. The meeting was turned over to Kurt Schneider from Johnson-Melloh Solutions. Presentation began at 6:20 pm. There was much discussion during the presentation by various patrons. Presentation concluded at 8:38 pm.

### IV. Other items

Timothy Wehr moved to approve the lease of five new service vehicles. Wade Beatty issued a point of order stating the motion was made and declined during a previous meeting. After much discussion, Timothy Wehr moved to rescind the previous decision on the motion. A second was given by Mark Fort. There was much discussion regarding this issue. Motion carried 4-3 with Wade Beatty, Leah Kopp and Kevin Knott casting the negative votes.

Timothy Wehr moved to approve the lease of five new vehicles with a second by Mark Fort. There was much discussion. The Transportation Coordinator gave a brief description of a conversation with a local auto dealer who stated he could not match the proposed agreement received identifying the approximate cost to be \$25,000 each year for five years. A Board member asked a more detailed mileage/usage log be utilized in each vehicle. The Superintendent stated this was an administrative procedure decision, but would be put in place and he will be monitoring those logs. Motion carried 4-3 with Wade Beatty, Kevin Knott, and Leah Kopp casting the negative votes.

### V. Adjournment

With no further business to come before the Board, Kevin Knott moved to adjourn at 8:58pm.

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