

Board of Education  
April 23, 2012  
7 PM

BECC Building, Board Room  
125 S. Church Street  
Brighton MI 48116

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| 1. Lindbom                                             |              |         |
| E. Other                                               |              |         |
| 1. Student Representative - Harrison Jones             |              |         |
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**XII. Next Meeting, May 7, 2012**

**Upcoming Meetings/Calendar Events**

- April 24 - Little Caesar Pizza Night
- April 25 - Scranton 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Parent Coffee with the Principals
- April 27 - Hilton Special Interest Day
- April 30/May 1 - Maltby 6<sup>th</sup> Graders visit Scranton for tour
- May 1/5 - 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Washington DC Trip
- May 8 - Bond Election

This is a meeting of the Board of Education in public for the purpose of conducting the School District's business and is not to be considered a public community meeting. There is time for public participation during the meeting as indicated in agenda item "Public Participation."

Board of Education  
Brighton Area Schools  
Regular Meeting  
Monday, April 23, 2012  
7 PM - BECC

## **Minutes**

### **I. Call to Order**

President Leach called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m.

### **II. Pledge of Allegiance**

### **III. Roll Call**

Members present: John Conely, Jay Krause, Cheryl Leach, Beth Minert, Bill Anderson, Miles Vieau and Bill Trombley.

Also present Superintendent Gray Assistant Superintendents Gisting and Surrey, staff, press, visitors and student Representative Harrison Jones.

### **IV. Approval of Agenda**

Moved by Minert, supported by Anderson to approve the agenda as presented.  
Voice vote: 7 ayes. Motion carried.

### **V. Recognition**

Shining Stars were presented to the following high school teams: Girl's Bowling, Girl's and Boy's Ski, Girl's Gymnastics, Boy's Swimming, Boy's Wrestling and Hockey.

Shining Stars were also presented to Corrigan Oil and Lindhout Associates for assisting in the renovation of the Becc locker room project and Adam Habercom, Superintendent of Huron Meadows Metropark for assisting with the baseball field project.

### **VI. Public Participation**

Kelly Jontz addressed the board regarding the negative press surrounding the bond.

Billy Albert expressed his disappointment to the board regarding conditions of the current facilities and stressed the need for a bond.

Tess Johnston also expressed disappointment and embarrassment of the facilities conditions and supports the bond.

Christian Vorias addressed the board in support of the bond and the need for facility changes and upgrades.

Debbie McCormick voiced concern to the board regarding opposition for the bond issue. She expressed the need for fiscal accountability, reevaluation of the bond amount and the costs associated with a May election.

Tim Bloch voiced concern to the board regarding the agenda and actions of a current board of education trustee.

Wes Nakagari addressed the board opposing the costs associated with a May election.

Connie Robinson voiced concern to the board regarding fiscal irresponsibility and asking the taxpayers to pay for incompetence.

Miles Vieau (7:43pm) excused himself from the board table and went to the microphone to speak during call to public. Miles voiced his support for Trustee Conley's right to express his own opinion.

Francis Pugh addressed the board regarding people's support and opposition of the bond issue. She expressed the need and support for the bond.

Pat Seremet voiced concern regarding the conditions of the facilities and the need for the bond.

Wayne Dalton addressed the board regarding fiscal responsibility and the length of repayment of the bond issue.

Tim Dix voiced concern to the board regarding support of the bond to maintain the facilities.

Jordan Genso addressed the board in support of the bond to attract future students to the area.

Suzanne Conerway expressed to the board the need to strongly support this bond issue.

Carol Wilcox addressed the board regarding fiscal irresponsibility which have resulted in the lack of funds to maintain facilities.

## **VII. Board Reports/Correspondence**

Trustee Conely reported attending the public awareness campaign "Those Who Host Lose the Most".

Trustee Conely, President Leach and Treasurer Krause met with the high

school leadership class regarding this year's graduation ceremony.

Trustee Conely also reported attending Superintendent Gray's bond issue presentation at the Chambers of Commerce.

Superintendent Gray announced Maltby student leaders are hosting a Brighton Senior Community Prom (Ages 60 on up) on Thursday, May 3 from 5 – 7 PM.

He also shared that Carolann Plank, 7<sup>th</sup> grade student at Scranton authored the book, *As Far As You Know*.

Superintendent Gray requested that he would like to have Board representation with RFP's over \$250,000 once the bond issue is complete.

President Leach requested that Superintendent Gray place this item for action after May 8.

#### **VIII. For Action**

- A. Consent Agenda - Bills of March 22 – April 5, 2012 and Minutes of March 26, 2012. Moved by Krause, supported by Minert to approve the consent agenda as presented. Voice vote: 7 ayes. Motion carried.
- B. Financial Statements, March 2012 - Moved by Anderson, supported by Trombley to accept the Financial Statements, March 2012 as presented. Voice vote: 7 ayes. Motion carried.
- C. Deficit Reconciliation Report, February 2012 – Moved by Anderson, supported by Krause to approve the Deficit Reconciliation Report for March 2012 as presented. Voice vote: 7 ayes. Motion carried.
- D. Resignation - Moved by Minert, supported by Krause to accept the resignation of Sarah Credo with appreciation as presented. Voice vote: 7 ayes. Motion carried.
- E. Pay to Play Fees – Board discussion took place regarding the elimination of pay to play.  
Moved by Vieau, supported by Conely to eliminate pay to play 100%.  
Moved by Vieau, supported by Conely to amend the pay to play fee.

Moved by Trombley, supported by Anderson to table this item until further information is available to the board. Voice vote: 6 ayes, 1 nay – Vieau.

#### **IX. For Future Action**

- A. School of Choice Program, 2012/2013 –The recommendation for the 2012/2013 SOC program was presented for Board discussion. This item will be placed on the May 7 agenda for Board consideration.
- B. Resolution, Post-Issuance Tax Compliance – This policy was presented for Board discussion to provides guidelines and procedures in connection

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Page 4 with tax-exempt or tax advantaged bonds and other debt obligations. This item will be placed on the May 7 agenda for Board consideration.

- C. Over seas trip request – The proposed trip request to Spain for students taking Spanish was presented for Board discussion.
- D. Handbook, First Reading - BHS Principal Vecchioni presented the revisions for the 2012/2013 high school. This item will be placed on the May 7 agenda for Board consideration.

**X. For Information**

- A. Curriculum/Instruction –Dr. Surrey reported that she attended the Governor's annual education summit on April 23.

Dr. Surrey announced two K-4 Curriculum Proposals for 2012/2013; to implement K-4 world language and to add additional Media Specialists. Trustee Vieau asked a question regarding zero hour at the high school.

- B. Finance – Dr. Gistingier will save comments for closed session.
- C. Human Resources – none.
- D. Superintendent –
  - 1. Realtor John Porth of Thomas A. Duke Company presented a marketing proposal to the board for Lindbom Elementary.
- E. Other
  - 1. Student Representative – Harrison Jones reported promoting Earth day by cleaning up the high school courtyard with extra funds from homecoming. He shared Superintendent Gray will be attending a council meeting Friday, April 27 at 6:45 am and extended an invitation to all board members.

Harrison announced Senior Prom will be held May 19<sup>th</sup>. Also, show dates for the Play Cheaper by the Dozen. (May 3 – 6).

**XI. Closed Session**

- A. Negotiations, BEA, BASAA, BESPAA - Moved by Anderson, supported by Conely to enter closed session for the purpose of discussing negotiation strategies connected with the bargaining units inasmuch as the administrations has requested a closed session. Roll call vote: 7 ayes. Motion carried.

Board entered closed session at 9:25 p.m.

Meeting recessed at 9:25 p.m.

Meeting reconvened at 9:32 p.m.

Board entered open session at 10:31 p.m.

The Meeting adjourned at 10:31 p.m.

Approved by:

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Cheryl Leach, President

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Beth Minert, Secretary

(Starr Acromite, Recorder)