

Monday, December 11, 2023

REGULAR MEETING

BEAVER RIVER CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF EDUCATION

6:00 P.M.

Location- Choral Room

1. OPENING OF MEETING

Subject :	A. Call to Order
Meeting :	Dec 11, 2023 - REGULAR MEETING
Category :	1. OPENING OF MEETING
Access :	Public
Type :	Procedural

Public Content

The regular monthly meeting of the Beaver River Central School Board of Education will be called to order by President, J. Beller at 6:00 p.m. in the Choral Room.

Webex Link: <https://brcsd.webex.com/brcsd/j.php?MTID=md33895f49547d9e9d22b3361decf65d8>

Pledge of Allegiance:

I pledge allegiance to the flag of the United States of America

and to the Republic, for which it stands

One nation, under God, indivisible,

With liberty and justice for all

In attendance are:

Members Present: J. Beller, T. Lighthall, H. Aucter, J. Pate, J. Zehr, Z. Zehr, E. Dickinson, D. Bush

Members Excused:

Members Absent: S. Greaud

Administration: Todd Green, Superintendent; Dr. Kimberly Lyman-Wright, Elementary Principal; Troy Hebert, Middle/High School Assistant Principal; Daniel Rains, Middle/High School Principal

Faculty/Staff:

Presenters: Jaime Gates, Amy Baker, Heather Pellam, Food Service Director

Public: K. Simpson, J. Gates, C. Ward, J. Grunert, A. Baker, T. Thompson, M. Kogut, T. Worden, A. Buckingham, K. Hawksley, K. Ridner, R. Simpson

2. ACCEPTANCE OF PROPOSED AGENDA

Subject :	A. Acceptance of Proposed Agenda
Meeting :	Dec 11, 2023 - REGULAR MEETING
Category :	2. ACCEPTANCE OF PROPOSED AGENDA
Access :	Public
Type :	Action
Recommended Action :	Upon the recommendation of Superintendent Green, the Board needs a motion to approve the proposed agenda for the December 11, 2023 meeting.

Public Content

First: TL Second: JZ Yes: 6 No: 0 Abstain: 0

3. CONSENT AGENDA

Subject :	A. Approval of Consent Agenda Items
Meeting :	Dec 11, 2023 - REGULAR MEETING
Category :	3. CONSENT AGENDA
Access :	Public
Type :	Action (Consent)
Recommended Action :	<p>Upon the recommendation of Superintendent Green, the Board needs a motion to approve the consent agenda for the December 11, 2023 meeting.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Minutes from November 13, 2023 meeting. 2. November 2023 Business Report 3. November 2023 Extra Classroom Report and Overtime Report 4. CSE, CPSE and 504 Recommendations

Public Content

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Ronald Rockwood explained the November business reports so the Board knows how it reads.

File Attachments

[November 13, 2023 Minutes.pdf \(454 KB\)](#)
[!202311 - Business Office Report - Documentation.pdf \(967 KB\)](#)
[november board reports.pdf \(34 KB\)](#)
[CSE Reports.pdf \(105 KB\)](#)
[CSE Reports 2.pdf \(30 KB\)](#)
[504 Reports.pdf \(39 KB\)](#)

Consent

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4. PRESENTATIONS

Subject :	A. Pride of Beaver River - Fall Scholar Athlete
Meeting :	Dec 11, 2023 - REGULAR MEETING
Category :	4. PRESENTATIONS
Access :	Public
Type :	Reports

Public Content

Superintendent Green presented Pride of Beaver Certificates to all those that were present.

Administrative File Attachments

[Fall scholar athlete teams.pdf \(455 KB\)](#)

Subject :	B. Amy Baker & Jaime Gates Presentation, NYSCATE
Meeting :	Dec 11, 2023 - REGULAR MEETING
Category :	4. PRESENTATIONS
Access :	Public
Type :	Reports

File Attachments

[BOE NYSCATE Overview \(1\).pdf \(4,879 KB\)](#)

Subject :	C. Heather Pellam, Food Service Director
Meeting :	Dec 11, 2023 - REGULAR MEETING
Category :	4. PRESENTATIONS
Access :	Public
Type :	Reports

Public Content

Heather Pellam presented the Food Service Department and also presented to the audience a new "chicken bacon ranch" pizza they introduced to the students. They had different appetizers and desserts for tasting as well.

File Attachments

[Beaver River Central School Food Services 12_11_23.pdf \(163 KB\)](#)

Subject :	D. Dr. Kimberly Lyman-Wright, Elementary Principal
Meeting :	Dec 11, 2023 - REGULAR MEETING
Category :	4. PRESENTATIONS
Access :	Public
Type :	Reports

Public Content

Dr. Lyman Wright presented to the Board and explained the attachment.

File Attachments

[December 2023 BOE Report-Kim.pdf \(131 KB\)](#)

Subject :	E. Troy Hebert, Middle & High School Assistant Principal
Meeting :	Dec 11, 2023 - REGULAR MEETING
Category :	4. PRESENTATIONS
Access :	Public
Type :	Reports

Public Content

Presentation on Home Schooling. Parents need to provide all the information to the District. We offer special education services to those students that have those services.

File Attachments

[Troy's December BOE Presentation.pdf \(210 KB\)](#)

[Home School Manual 2023-2024.pdf \(1,037 KB\)](#)

Subject :	F. Daniel Rains, Middle & High School Principal
Meeting :	Dec 11, 2023 - REGULAR MEETING
Category :	4. PRESENTATIONS
Access :	Public
Type :	Reports

Public Content

Presented ELA and Math percentages.

File Attachments

[BOE Report draft 20231204 ELA Math Testing-D RAINS.pdf \(47 KB\)](#)

Subject :	G. Elena Dickinson Student BOE Representative
Meeting :	Dec 11, 2023 - REGULAR MEETING
Category :	4. PRESENTATIONS
Access :	Public
Type :	Reports

File Attachments

[BOE December Presentation Notes - Elena Dickinson .pdf \(28 KB\)](#)

5. PUBLIC COMMENT

Subject :	A. Public Comment Policy
Meeting :	Dec 11, 2023 - REGULAR MEETING
Category :	5. PUBLIC COMMENT
Access :	Public
Type :	Information

Public Content

Alicia Buckingham expressed her concerns with the lunch/breakfast menu and why we cannot have more healthy choices for students. Can the community be apart of the choosing of menu items. She is not happy with the menu and the unhealthy choices. She would like to be involved with selection of items for the menus. She hears all the rave about other menus from other schools and why can't we have ours similar.

Kristin Johnson expressed her interest in bringing back cheerleading to BR. There were 30+ cheerleaders for the fall Pop Warner program. The cheering group went to local competition and brought home a 2nd place trophy for their first year competing. She would like to bring back cheerleading as a modified sport. The pop warner program for cheering averages about 8 years for them and when they get to the modified level in school, there is no program for cheer and they have to choose another sport if they choose.

Public Comment at a Board of Education Meeting is addressed by [Board of Education Policy 1400](#) which states -

Regular meetings of the Board of Education will be open to the public and to representatives of the press.

Requests for public expression by members of the public will be recognized by the Board of Education. Persons wishing to address the Board of Education should fill out a form distributed by the District Clerk prior to the start of the Board Meeting. The individual requesting to speak will be recognized by the President, give their names and addresses, and state their viewpoints or opinions. Their remarks should be limited to allow all interested parties an opportunity to express their viewpoints during the thirty minutes allocated to public participation.

The Board reserves 30 minutes at each public meeting for this purpose. Each individual will be allowed up to five (5) minutes to express their concerns and ideas. The Board will listen but is not obliged to respond. The Board reserves the right to interrupt, warn or terminate a speaker if the speaker is too lengthy, repetitive, abusive or offensive. The Board requests that remarks be courteous and respectful of all, and that comments respect the privacy of students

6. NEW BUSINESS

Subject :	A. Modified Baseball-Lowville Bostwick Field
Meeting :	Dec 11, 2023 - REGULAR MEETING
Category :	6. NEW BUSINESS
Access :	Public
Type :	Action (Consent)
Fiscal Impact :	No
Budgeted :	No
Recommended Action :	Upon the recommendation of Superintendent Green, the Board needs a motion to approve the spring usage of the Bostwick Street field in Lowville for the 2023-2024 modified baseball games at no charge to the District.

Public Content

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Subject :	B. Obsolete & Disposal of Basketball Uniforms
Meeting :	Dec 11, 2023 - REGULAR MEETING
Category :	6. NEW BUSINESS
Access :	Public
Type :	Action (Consent)
Fiscal Impact :	No
Budgeted :	No
Recommended Action :	Upon the recommendation of Superintendent Green, the Board needs a motion to approve the obsolete and disposal of 45 old outdated Boys Basketball uniforms.

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Subject :	C. Class of 2024 Senior Trip
Meeting :	Dec 11, 2023 - REGULAR MEETING
Category :	6. NEW BUSINESS
Access :	Public
Type :	Action (Consent)
Fiscal Impact :	No
Budgeted :	No
Recommended Action :	Upon the recommendation of Superintendent Green, the Board needs a motion to approve the Class of 2024 senior trip to Boston, MA on Friday, May 31, 2024 through Sunday, June 2, 2024. As Attached.

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File Attachments

[Class of 2024 senior trip.pdf \(743 KB\)](#)

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7. PERSONNEL REPORT

Subject :	A. Approval of Personnel Report
Meeting :	Dec 11, 2023 - REGULAR MEETING
Category :	7. PERSONNEL REPORT
Access :	Public
Type :	Action
Recommended Action :	Upon the recommendation of Superintendent Green, the

Board needs a motion to approve the personnel report as attached.

Public Content

First: TL Second: JP Yes: 6 No: 0 Abstain: 0

File Attachments

[Personnel Report.pdf \(292 KB\)](#)

8. BOARD OF EDUCATION, COMMITTEE REPORTS - Board President - Jonathan Beller

Subject :	A. Board of Education & Committee Reports
Meeting :	Dec 11, 2023 - REGULAR MEETING
Category :	8. BOARD OF EDUCATION, COMMITTEE REPORTS - Board President - Jonathan Beller
Access :	Public
Type :	Discussion, Information

Public Content

Board of Education and Committee Reports

1. BOE Reports: Jonathan Beller, BOE President

H. Aueter reported from the JLSBA meeting she attended about all of the services available from NYSBBA. NYSBBA is encouraging board members to utilize services such as legal counsel and training sessions. (We have a NYSSBA retreat scheduled for Tuesday, January 16 2024 at 5:30 p.m.) There seems to be many trending problems affecting districts all over NYS. Teacher shortages and transportation shortages are some of the major issues.

2. Committee Reports

- Personnel Committee
- Policy Committee - meetings monthly to review policy audit schedule
- Facilities Committee - meetings have started in the planning process
- Curriculum and Instruction Committee- meeting scheduled for Thursday, January 18, 2024 at 5:30 p.m.
- Finance/Audit Committee - Ron Rockwood presented the monthly business reports and how to read them.

9. SUPERINTENDENT REPORT - Todd Green

Subject :	A. Superintendent Report
Meeting :	Dec 11, 2023 - REGULAR MEETING
Category :	9. SUPERINTENDENT REPORT - Todd Green

Access : Public
Type : Discussion, Information

Public Content

Superintendent Reports:

1. School Finance Consortium

10. EXECUTIVE SESSION

Subject : A. Enter into Executive Session
Meeting : Dec 11, 2023 - REGULAR MEETING
Category : 10. EXECUTIVE SESSION
Access : Public
Type : Action
Recommended Action : Upon the recommendation of Superintendent Green, the Board needs a motion to enter into Executive Session at 8:10 p.m. to discuss employment of particular BSRP Personnel and Superintendent's Evaluation.

Public Content

First: JP Second: TL Yes: 6 No: 0 Abstain: 0

Every meeting of a public body shall be open to the general public, except that an executive session of such body may be called and business transacted thereat in accordance with [Section 105 of Public Officers Law Article 7](#).

§105. Conduct of executive sessions.

1. Upon a majority vote of its total membership, taken in an open meeting pursuant to a motion identifying the general area or areas of the subject or subjects to be considered, a public body may conduct an executive session for the below enumerated purposes only, provided, however, that no action by formal vote shall be taken to appropriate public moneys:
- a. matters which will imperil the public safety if disclosed;
 - b. any matter which may disclose the identity of a law enforcement agent or informer;
 - c. information relating to current or future investigation or prosecution of a criminal offense which would imperil effective law enforcement if disclosed; d. discussions regarding proposed, pending or current litigation;
 - e. collective negotiations pursuant to article fourteen of the civil service law;
 - f. the medical, financial, credit or employment history of a particular person or corporation, or matters leading to the appointment, employment, promotion, demotion, discipline, suspension, dismissal or removal of a particular person or corporation;
 - g. the preparation, grading or administration of examinations; and

h. the proposed acquisition, sale or lease of real property or the proposed acquisition of securities, or sale or exchange of securities held by such public body, but only when publicity would substantially affect the value thereof.

Subject : B. Leave Executive Session
Meeting : Dec 11, 2023 - REGULAR MEETING
Category : 10. EXECUTIVE SESSION
Access : Public
Type : Action
Recommended Action : Upon the recommendation of Superintendent Green, the Board needs a motion to leave Executive Session at 9:35 p.m.

Public Content

First: ZZ Second: HA Yes: 6 No: 0 Abstain: 0

11. PERSONNEL REPORT

Subject : A. Discontinuance of Employment
Meeting : Dec 11, 2023 - REGULAR MEETING
Category : 11. PERSONNEL REPORT
Access : Public
Type : Action
Recommended Action : Upon the recommendation of Superintendent Green, the Board needs a motion to approve the discontinuance of employment for Thomas Freeman, Jr. as bus driver effective December 12, 2023.

Public Content

First: TL Second: JP Yes: 6 No: 0 Abstain: 0

Subject : B. Employment of Bus Driver
Meeting : Dec 11, 2023 - REGULAR MEETING
Category : 11. PERSONNEL REPORT
Access : Public
Type : Action (Consent)
Recommended Action : Upon the recommendation of Superintendent Green, the Board needs a motion to approve Kyle Widrick as Bus Driver effective December 12, 2023.

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12. ADJOURNMENT

Subject :	A. Adjourn the Meeting
Meeting :	Dec 11, 2023 - REGULAR MEETING
Category :	12. ADJOURNMENT
Access :	Public
Type :	Action
Recommended Action :	Upon the recommendation of Superintendent Green, the Board needs a motion ADJOURN to adjourn the meeting at 9:42 p.m.

Public Content

First: TL Second: ZZ Yes: 6 No: 0 Abstain: 0

Subject :	B. The next regular meeting of the Beaver River Central School Board of Education will be held on January 9, 2024 at 6:00 p.m. in the Choral Room.
Meeting :	Dec 11, 2023 - REGULAR MEETING
Category :	12. ADJOURNMENT
Access :	Public
Type :	Information