

BFA/NWTC BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

August 15, 2016 - Minutes

Present for a Quorum: Al Corey, Jeff Morrill, Nilda Gonnella-French, Sally Lindberg, Tim Clark

Unable to attend:

Student Representatives: not present

Administrators: Chris Mosca, BFA Principal; Kevin Dirth, Superintendent; Joanne Wells, Assistant Special Education Director; Leeann Wright, NWTC Director; Preston Randall, Guidance Director; Geoff Lyons, Assistant Principal; Shannon Warden, Assistant Principal; Heather Fitzgibbons, Assistant Principal; Martha Gagner, Business Manager; Julie Regimbal, Special Education Director; Sean O'Dell, Curriculum Director.

Visitors:

1. **Call to Order** – Nilda Gonnella-French to order at 6:35 p.m.

2. **Pledge of Allegiance**

3. **Approval of Agenda** –

Sally Lindberg made a motion to approve the agenda; second by Al Corey. The motion passed unanimously.

4. **Visitors**

5. **Consent Agenda** - Chair Gonnella-French asked for any requests to remove items from the consent agenda for discussion and/or vote. None were removed.

A. Minutes of June 7, 2016

B. BFA Guidance Report

C. Monthly Financial Report

D. Department Reports

E. Collins Perley Manager's Report

Al Corey made a motion to approve the consent agenda; second by Jeff Morrill. The motion passed unanimously.

6. **Other Business**

F. NWTC Director's Report – Leeann Wright reported that her newsletter is attached. The work in the summer is very different work, and she is eager for the students to return.

G. BFA Administrator's Report - Chris Mosca highlighted the events in his written report.

First orientation is next week, and fall athletics have begun. Mr. Mosca said that the VPA workshop in Killington went very well, and that Geoffrey Lyons was awarded Assistant High School Principal of the Year.

H. Supervisory Union Report - Kevin Dirth also reported on the VPA workshop, and that on the third day it was a local administrators retreat and they were able to look forward at unification and brainstormed things that need to be done. He stated that for this year, the local boards may not see all of the Central Office administrators because of the added meetings generated from the Maple Run Board. Attendance will be agenda driven. Convocation is August 26 at Collins Perley from 8:00 to 1:00. All Board members are welcome to attend. It is a good time for some discussion about unification and what that means. It will end with lunch.

I. FCSU Board Report - Nilda Gonnella-French reported they met on July 20th and approved contracts with the Abbey Group, the American House lease, and authorized central office to make bus arrangements for SACS and Fairfield school.

J. BFA Board Committee Reports

J1. Personnel/Finance - Al Corey reported they just met before this meeting and there are several issues on the agenda that will be addressed later in this meeting.

J2. Curriculum - Sally Lindberg reported they are not meeting again until October.

- 50 K. Collins Perley Report - Al Corey reported that they met with the community and it was a
51 good meeting, their next meeting is later this month.
- 52 **7. Old Business**
- 53 L. Trust Management Update
- 54 **Al Corey made a motion to table this to a future meeting; second by Sally Lindberg. The motion**
55 **passed unanimously.**
- 56 M. Architect Summary Report
- 57 **Tim Clark made a motion to table this item until a future meeting; second by Jeff Morrill. The motion**
58 **carried unanimously.**
- 59 N. Maple Run USD – Kevin Dirth reported that the Board has been meeting twice a month,
60 currently rotating through the schools. They have been enjoying the tours of the schools
61 and the opportunity to get to know all of the schools. They are here at BFA on
62 Wednesday.
- 63 **8. New Business**
- 64 O. Personnel/Finance Committee Recommendations
- 65 O1. Breakfast & Lunch Prices - Prices need to be set for FY17
- 66 **Al Corey made a motion to approve breakfast and lunch prices remain the same except the student**
67 **lunch price will go to \$2.60; second by Sally Lindberg. The motion passed unanimously.**
- 68 O2. Musical Director position pay
- 69 **Al Corey made a motion to approve moving the Music Director for Musicals move into Group 2 of the**
70 **Co-curricular schedule; second by Sally Lindberg. The motion passed unanimously.**
- 71 O3. Cross Country Coach
- 72 **Al Corey made a motion to the Assistant Cross Country Coach Levi Labella; second by Sally Lindberg.**
73 **The motion passed unanimously.**
- 74 O4. JV Football Coach
- 75 **Tim Clark made a motion to approve the JV Football Coach, Kris Sabourin; second by Jeff Morrill. The**
76 **motion passed unanimously.**
- 77 A. New Hires & Resignations Update – This was an FYI to the Board. Chris
78 introduced Heather Fitzgibbons who has replaced Becky Day. Heather gave a
79 brief background of herself. Leeann hired two lab supervisors, Ross Lavoie and
80 Brittany White. Joe Teegarden is the part-time Curriculum Director, and Stephanie
81 Gorman is the one year only human services instructor.
- 82 O5. Paternity Leave – This was an FYI to the Board.
- 83 **Al Corey moved to approve as requested; second by Sally Lindberg. The motion passed unanimously.**
- 84 P. VSBA/VEHI Petitions – There is a request for BFA to approve signing two (one for Health
85 and one for Dental) petitions to change VEHI bylaws to replace one of the VTNEA board
86 delegates with a VSBA delegate.
- 87 **Jeff Morrill made a motion to approve signing the VSBA/VEHI petition; second by Al Corey. The**
88 **motion passed unanimously.**
- 89 Q. * Two Student Requests – The first one is a request for a student to complete his senior
90 year. Chris Mosca recommended. The second is a student getting new guardians who
91 live in Georgia.
- 92 **Sally Lindberg made a motion to approve the student request to remain at BFA for the senior year;**
93 **second by Tim Clark. The motion passed unanimously.**
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- 95 **Jeff Morrill made a motion to approve the student request whose letter is dated August 5th; second by**
96 **Tim Clark. The motion passed unanimously.**
- 97 R. * Possible Litigation

98 Jeff Morrill made a motion to find that this topic should be discussed in Executive Session as
99 discussion in open session would put the Board at a substantial disadvantage; second by Al Corey. The
100 motion passed unanimously.

101 9. Approve Warrants

102 S. Current warrants were included for Board approval.
103 Sally Lindberg made a motion to approve the warrants; second by Jeff Morrill. The motion passed
104 unanimously.

105 10. Agenda Items for Future Meeting

106 11. Potential Executive Session

107 Jeff Morrill made a motion to enter Executive Session at 7:06 p.m. to discuss item R that had been
108 previously found to qualify for executive session, and to invite the superintendent, the principal, and
109 assistant principals; second by Al Corey. The motion passed unanimously.

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111 Al Corey made a motion to exit executive session at 7:58 p.m.; second by Tim Clark. The motion
112 carried unanimously.

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114 Al Corey made a motion to direct the Superintendent to move forward with the discussion on possible
115 litigation; second by Tim Clark. The motion passed unanimously.

116 12. Adjourn

117 Al Corey made a motion to adjourn at 7:59 p.m.; second by Tim Clark. The motion passed
118 unanimously.

119 Respectfully Submitted,

120 Brenda Comstock