

**BFA/NWTC SPECIAL BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING**

February 7, 2017 BFA Library

**Present for a Quorum:** Jeff Morrill, Nilda Gonnella-French, Tim Clark, Al Corey via google hangouts

**Unable to attend:** Sally Lindberg

**Student Representatives:**

**Administrators:** Chris Mosca, BFA Principal; Leeann Wright, NWTC Director; Geoff Lyons, Assistant Principal; Joanne Wells, Assistant Special Ed Director; Martha Gagner, Business Manager; Julie Regimbal, Special Education Director; Sean O'Dell, Curriculum Director; Kathy Finck, Human Resource Director; Preston Randall, Guidance; Heather Fitzgibbons, Assistant Principal.

**Visitors:**

1. **Call to Order** – Nilda Gonnella-French called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

2. **Pledge of Allegiance**

3. **Approval of Agenda** – It was requested to flip item 5 and 6; and to add BFA and CP Audits as 10.1 and 10.2.

**Jeff Morrill made a motion to approve the modified agenda; second by Tim Clark. The motion passed unanimously.**

4. **Visitors**

5. **Student Recognition/Presentations**

A. Student Recognitions/Presentations - Chris Mosca presented a certificate to Marlena Valenta and Hunter Laroe (not present) for their interview in the SA Messenger. When Ms. Valenta received her certificate, she shared that it was important to her that she lives in a community where her voice is heard.

6. **Presentations**

B. Karyn Rocheleau and Stephanie Hodgeman from Rotary did a brief PowerPoint covering essential information on the Interact Club.

C. Virtual High Schools - Scott Coolidge, Mike Campbell and Luke Cioffi did a presentation on Virtual High Schools to complete the presentation that had been previously provided. Among other things they shared that this is open to SACS, SATEC and Fairfield; it is very collaborative, with 34 current students. There are national teachers as well as students, and fits Vermont's Flexible Pathways.

7. **Consent Agenda**

D. Minutes of January 10, 2017

E. BFA Guidance Report

F. Monthly Financial Report

G. Department Reports

H. Collins Perley Manager's Report

**Tim Clark made a motion to approve the modified agenda; second by Al Corey. The motion passed unanimously.**

8. **Regular Business**

I. NWTC Director's Report – Leeann reported that there was an article in the Messenger about their Chef Instructor's trip to Paris, and she invited anyone to come by the kitchen between 4 and 7 p.m. when he will be practicing for his trip by preparing the meals he will make in Paris, and those who stop by can enjoy some good eats.

- 46 J. BFA Administrator's Report - Chris Mosca reported that his newsletter was  
 47 attached, and highlighted the section under Culture and Climate:  
 48 We were proud to host the Vermont District Music Festival on Friday, January  
 49 27th. Student musicians and instructors from the region rehearsed all day at BFA  
 50 and performed masterfully that evening. One of the conductors was Dr. Brian  
 51 Messier, BFA class of 1999. Dr. Dirth and Assistant Principal Heather Fitzgibbons  
 52 welcomed the audience, who experienced a wonderful evening of music and joy.
- 53 K. Supervisory Union Report - Julie Regimbal reported that the attached newsletter  
 54 focused primarily on the Governor's education spending plans, and that it was  
 55 her understanding that moving the town meeting date will not be considered.  
 56 She also reported that the MRUSD Information Hearing on the budget is set for  
 57 March 1, 2017 at BFA Library.
- 58 L. BFA Board Committee Reports
- 59 L1. Personnel /Finance - Al Corey reported that the committee met  
 60 prior to this meeting and had items coming up with  
 61 recommended approvals later in the agenda.
- 62 L2. Curriculum - Jeff Morrill reported that the committee met and  
 63 were updated on curriculum, proficiency based graduation  
 64 requirements and professional development.
- 65 M. Collins Perley Report - Dave Kimel reported that his newsletter was attached.
- 66 9. **Old Business**
- 67 N. Maple Run USD – Nilda Gonnella French reported the group is moving towards  
 68 the goals to be met by July 1. It was announced at the last MRUSD Board  
 69 meeting that June 5, 2017 at 6:00 p.m. at SATEC has been set aside for all local  
 70 Boards to hold their final meeting, an MRUSD meeting and a celebration for all  
 71 Board members.
- 72 10. **New Business**
- 73 **10.1 BFA Audit** – Martha Gagner reported that the audit was clean, and the fund  
 74 balance was \$378,348.
- 75 **10.2 Collins Perley Audit** – Martha Gagner reported that the audit was a small audit  
 76 and there were no real issues. The one recurring note from the auditors is  
 77 referencing a software issue/accrual versus cash basis for reporting. She and Dave  
 78 will get together about how to best handle this moving forward.
- 79 **Al Corey made a motion to accept the BDFA and Collins Perley audits; second by Jeff Morrill.**  
 80 **The motion passed unanimously.**
- 81 O. Personnel/Finance Committee Recommendations
- 82 O1. New Club - There is interest in creating an Interact Club at BFA.
- 83 **Al Corey made a motion to approve the Interact Club; second by Tim Clark. The motion**  
 84 **passed unanimously.**
- 85 O2. Driver's Ed Leases - Leases must be renewed in March.
- 86 **Al Corey made a motion to approve the Driver's Ed car leases as requested; second by Tim**  
 87 **Clark. The motion passed unanimously.**
- 88 P. \*Grievance Step 3

89 **Jeff Morrill made a motion to hear the grievance in Executive Session because holding the**  
90 **hearing in open session would put the parties at a substantial disadvantage; second by Tim**  
91 **Clark. The motion passed unanimously.**

92 **11. Approve Warrants**

93 **Q. Current warrants are included for Board approval.**

94 **Tim Clark made a motion to approve the warrants; second by Jeff Morrill. The motion passed**  
95 **unanimously.**

96 **12. Agenda Items for Future Meeting**

97 **13. Potential Executive Session**

98 **Al Corey made a motion to enter Executive Session at 7:20 p.m. to hear the Step 3 Grievance,**  
99 **and to invite Julie Regimbal, Kathy Finck, Martha Gagner and Attorney Sean Toohey to**  
100 **attend; second by Tim Clark. The motion passed unanimously.**

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102 **Al Corey made motion to come out of executive session at 8:40 p.m. seconded by Jeff Morrill.**  
103 **The motion passed unanimously.**

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105 **Tim Clark made the motion to deny the grievance regarding delayed openings at Step 3 and**  
106 **instruct attorney to draft a written decision outlining the points discussed; seconded by Al**  
107 **Corey. The motion passed unanimously.**

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109 **14. Adjourned at 8:42 p.m.**