

**BEALS SCHOOL DEPARTMENT
SCHOOL COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES**

Beals, Maine
May 6, 2020

PLEASE NOTE THAT THE MINUTES ARE NOT FINAL UNTIL APPROVED AT THE NEXT MEETING.

A meeting of the Beals School Committee was held on Wednesday, May 6, 2020, with members present as follows: Debbie Kelley (On Zoom) and Mariner Bunker (in-person). Also present were Principal Christopher Crowley, School Nurse Holly Swilo and Superintendent of Schools Lewis Collins.

The meeting was called to order at 5:26 p.m.

1. Approval of the Minutes of January 8, 2020 and March 16th 2020:

The School Committee voted (2-0-0) to approve the minutes of January 8, 2020 and March 16, 2020. Mariner Bunker and Debbie Kelley both voted “aye”.

2. Coaches: Tabled due to school closure

3. Oil Bid: Bids for oil for school year 20-21 were received from R.H. Foster and Co. (\$1.29 per gallon) and Dead River Co. (\$1.39 per gallon):

The board voted to accept the bid from R.H. Foster. Both Mariner Bunker and Debbie Kelley both voted “aye”.

4. Continuing Contract Teachers – Recommendation for Continued Employment:

The Superintendent recommended the continued employment of the following teachers for the 2020-2021 school year:

Susan Chandler – Grades 1&2;

Christopher Crowley – Grades 5-8 History (Part-time 50%);

Suzanne Fox – Special Education;

Laura Fish – Grade 5-8 English/Language Arts (Part-time 3.5/7ths) and Title IA Reading and Math (Part-time 3.5/7ths) with percentages to be adjusted according to federal funding;

George Crawford Gr. 3-4 Math/Science/Health;

Eileen Pulkinnen – Grades Pre-K & Kindergarten;

Kristi Carver-Kenney – Grades 5-8 math, science and health;

Daniel Campbell – Physical Education (Part-time 15%);

Tamra Lenfestey – Title IA Reading and Math (Part-time 1/7th).

The School Committee voted (2-0-0) to accept the recommendation. Mariner Bunker and Debbie Kelley both voted “aye”.

5. The Superintendent nominated Morgan Look for a second year probationary contract as part-time (1/35^{ths}) Gifted and Talented teacher for the 2020-2021 year:

The School Committee voted (2-0-0) to approve the nomination. Mariner Bunker and Debbie Kelley both voted “aye”.

3. 2020-2021 Hourly Support Staff – Recommendation for Continued Employment:

The Superintendent recommended the continued employment of the following hourly support staff for the 2020-2021 year:

Crystal Blackwood – Administrative Assistant;
Brenda Kelley – Ed. Tech III;
Natalie Beal – Special Education Ed. Tech. III;
Belinda McDonald – Food Service Manager II;
LeeAnn Crowley – Custodian

The School Committee voted (2-0-0) to accept the recommendation. Mariner Bunker and Debbie Kelley both voted “aye”.

4. Director of Special Education Contract for 2020-2021:

The Superintendent recommended Steve Peer as part-time (2/5ths) director of special education for the 2020-2021 year with a total district salary of \$26,689.11 (2/5ths x \$66,722.78). The Superintendent further recommended cost sharing for the position to be determined by the districts cost sharing percentages for the current year, which for 2020-2021 are as follows: Moosabec – 37.8623%; Jonesport – 38.6647%; Beals – 23.4730%.

The School Committee voted (2-0-0) to approve the recommendation. Mariner Bunker and Debbie Kelley both voted “aye”.

5. 2020-2021 Athletic Coordinator:

The Superintendent recommended Susan Chandler for the position of athletic coordinator for the 2020-2021 year.

The School Committee voted (2-0-0) to accept the recommendation. Mariner Bunker and Debbie Kelley both voted “aye”.

6. 2020-2021 Facility Chair:

The Superintendent recommended Susan Chandler for the position of facility chair for the 2020-2021 year.

The School Committee voted (2-0-0) to accept the recommendation. Mariner Bunker and Debbie Kelley both voted “aye”.

7. 2020-2021 Technology Coordinator:

The Superintendent recommended George Crawford for the position of technology coordinator for the 2020-2021 year.

The School Committee voted (2-0-0) to accept the recommendation. Mariner Bunker and Debbie Kelley both voted “aye”.

8. Principal’s Contract:

The Superintendent recommended Christopher Crowley for the position principal for the 2020-2021 year with a total salary of \$44,695.00.

The School Committee voted (2-0-0) to accept the recommendation. Mariner Bunker and Debbie Kelley both voted “aye”.

9. 2020-2021 School Budget:

The School Committee voted (2-0-0) to approve a total school budget for 2020-2021 year in the amount of \$943,809.54. Mariner Bunker and Debbie Kelley both voted “aye”.

10. School Nurse Holly Swilo updated the Board members on the pandemic and the various statewide efforts with the Maine Department of Education and the State School Nurse. School re-opening and safety measures for re-opening are among the topics the statewide group is working on. Ms. Swilo reminded the members and staff about the importance of social distancing in any meetings.

11. Adjournment

The School Committee adjourned at 5:58 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Lewis Collins
Superintendent of Schools