

**MINUTES – Rep Council Meeting
March 18th, 2010**

- I. Call to Order**—*at 4:10 p.m.*
- II. Minutes of the Last Meeting**—*Accepted & discussed.*
- III. Treasurer’s Report**—*Accepted & discussed.*
- IV. Reports**
 - A. Internal Reports:**
 1. Scholarship Fund-Raising
 2. Scholarship Selection Committee—*5 students chosen @ \$1,000/each—names not released until May Awards Night.*
 3. Public Relations Committee
 4. Vote/COPE Committee
 5. Grievance Committee—*Stage #2 of recent grievance was rejected. Next step is to present it in front of the Board. If rejected there, BCTA Executive Board will have to decide if will take grievance to arbitration.*
 6. Elections Committee—*Zach Assael won’t run for Treasurer again; wants to train next treasurer next year. Dave will need to choose another Member-At-Large Representative for the Executive Board.*
 7. Negotiations Committee/Team
 8. Charitable Donations
 9. Sunshine/Rain: -- *Clarksville: NONE; Eagle: NONE; Elsmere: NONE; Glenmont: NONE; Hamagrael: NONE; Slingerlands: NONE; Middle School: Tom Michalek’s brother-in-law passed away; High School: Beth Anderson’s father passed away, John Fontanella’s sister passed away, Ann Eppelman’s husband passed away.*
 - B. District-wide Reports:**
 1. Professional Advancement Committee (P.A.C)
 2. Professional Practice Council (P.P.C)
 3. Process Committee
 4. Board of Education Meetings:
 - March Report: **Glenmont**
 - April Coverage: **Elsmere**
 5. Technology Committee
 6. Health & Safety Committee
 7. Calendar Committee—*Board accepted changes proposed for next year’s calendar (in particular, next year’s start in September).*
 8. Health Insurance Committee
 9. Curriculum Leadership Committee
 10. Special Education Committee—*Rita LeVay has been very informative regarding the whole process: identifying concern regarding a student--to the implementation of the IEP. Encourage*

Spec Ed reps to inform building membership about this process.
Discussion during meeting re: adaptive PE.

11. Cabinet Meetings

V. Old Business

- A. BCSD Budget Process—*Dave continues to push that budget is unbalanced in emails to the Board members: no administrator cuts whereas so many instructional cuts. Board will continue cutting—approx. \$400-500,000—to get below 3%.*
NB: We already saved district \$450,000 w/ concessions when re-opened contract.
NB: If cut club/activity, don't volunteer for it.
NB: Jodi & Dave will meet officially w/ those who will be cut—no definites until then.
- B. Lay-offs—*New seniority list snafu: 6th grade teachers given incorrect tenure—can't be tenured as secondary (secondary=grades 7-12). This affects overall potential lay-offs: some of those told they would be laid off, won't be; whereas some who thought they were OK, aren't. Elementary & spec. ed. teachers will probably be safe w/ attrition, no lay-offs.*
- C. Sabbatical Application Deadline—April 1st
- D. CanaRx Vote—*Ayes: unanimous. Now has to be approved by other units, the Board.*
- E. Other

VI. New Business

- A. Expanded Use of BC@ Home—*Bring this issue back to building meetings: suggestions to make it more user-friendly/efficient?*
- B. Other

VII. Announcements

VIII. Adjournment--@ 5:20 p.m.

ATTENDANCE: Dave Rounds, Kelly Ward, Shannon Casso, Zach Assael, Melissa De Paoli, Mary Bigelow (Exec. Council); Pam MacMillan, Marilyn Valentini (C); Diane McNiven, Barb Riegel (Eag); Cori DiFabbio (Elm); Andrew Kourt, Linda Seymour (G); Becky Beiter (MS); Bill Cleveland, John Fontanella, Kim Hopkins, Jessica Weimer (HS).