

BOLTON CENTRAL SCHOOL
BOLTON LANDING, NEW YORK 12814

REGULAR MEETING
OF THE
BOARD OF EDUCATION

MARCH 14, 2011

BOLTON CENTRAL SCHOOL LIBRARY

MINUTES

1. The meeting was called to order by President Murphy at 6:33 PM.
The Pledge of Allegiance, led by Mr. Ciccarelli, was recited by all.

2. ROLL CALL

Present were:

Mr. Chris Gabriels (arr: 6:36)	Mrs. Pamela Quigan
Mr. Dennis P. Murphy	Mr. Carl Schoder
Mrs. Debra Peterson	Ms. Kathleen Dennin
Mrs. Anna Persons	Mr. Raymond Ciccarelli, Jr.
Mrs. Kathleen Pfau	Mrs. Angelia Smack

Public present:

Mrs. Deborah Muscatello	Mrs. Jessica Foy	Mr. Bill Green
Mrs. Lori Jordon	Mr. Paul Jordon	Mr. Patrick Boire
Mrs. Cindy Ackerle	Mr. Mark Ackerle	Ms. Tammy Schoder
Mr. Steve Beuerman	Mr. Dan Hull	Mr. John Gaddy
Mrs. Deborah Gaddy	Mr. Damian Switzer	Mrs. Jennifer Trowbridge
Mr. Scott McCarthy	Mrs. Kathy Field	Mrs. Lori Humiston
Mrs. Nicole Williams	Mrs. Laurie Blanchard	Mrs. Gail DePace
Mrs. Deborah Andersen	Mr. Matt Smith	Mr. John O'Donnell
Mr. Jake Nittmann	Mr. Matt Braman	Mr. Vincent Barcia
Mr. Mike Leone	Mr. Brett Seamans	Mrs. Andrea Seamans
Ms. Kandi Kelley	Mr. Jim Miller	Mr. Jeff Tennent

3. **MOTION** by Mrs. Quigan, seconded by Mr. Schoder that the Board of Education adjourn to Executive Session at 6:35 PM.

VOTE: ALL FAVORABLE.

MOTION CARRIED.

The Board members, along with Mr. Ciccarelli and Ms. Dennin, excused themselves to the Library conference room.

Mr. Murphy declared the meeting back in regular session at 6:53 PM and apologized for taking so much time. He also explained that the reason for entering Executive Session was to discuss a contractual matter.

4. MINUTES APPROVAL

MOTION by Mr. Gabriels, seconded by Mrs. Pfau that the Board of Education approve the minutes from the meeting held on February 14, 2011, as amended, and Special Meeting on March 2, 2011, as presented.

Minutes
Approval

Add to February 14 meeting- after Executive Session-

MOTION by Mr. Schoder, seconded by Mrs. Peterson that the Board of Education hold a special meeting on March 2, 2011 to discuss contractual matters. – **VOTE: ALL FAVORABLE. MOTION CARRIED.**

VOTE: ALL FAVORABLE. MOTION CARRIED.

5. COMMUNICATIONS

A. Board training session – April 14, 2011 – 5-9 PM – Custom Improvement Plan from NYSSBA. Surveys from board members were due on Friday, February 11.

B. E-mail letter from Ms. Sandy Aldrich - noted received and filed

C. Reminder - BOCES Annual Meeting – April 6, 2011

6. COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. Legislative – Mr. Murphy had nothing to report.

B. Facilities – Report from committee meetings held on March 7, 2011 – Mr. Schoder reported the committee reviewed and developed a RFP for Main Building maintenance and improvement projects. Committee will take a break and resume meetings after the April break.

MOTION by Mrs. Pfau, seconded by Mrs. Peterson that the Board of Education authorize administration to move ahead with the RFP for maintenance and improvement projects.

RFP
Projects

VOTE: ALL FAVORABLE. MOTION CARRIED.

C. Policy –

Second Reading of policies, and after a few questions:

MOTION by Mrs. Quigan, seconded by Mrs. Peterson that the Board of Education adopt the following policies: Pest Management and Pesticide Usage, Energy Conservation, Use of Email in the School District, Suicide, Searches and Interrogation of Students, Entitlement to Attend - School Age and Residency.

Policy
Adoption

VOTE: ALL FAVORABLE. MOTION CARRIED.

- D. Ad-hoc/Philosophy – Committee made the changes to the proposed Philosophy and Mission Statement. Mr. Ciccarelli made a suggestion regarding the Mission Statement.

MOTION by Mrs. Quigan, seconded by Mrs. Peterson that the Board of Education adopt the Philosophy and Mission Statement as presented by the Ad-hoc Committee. Philosophy
Mission St.

VOTE: ALL FAVORABLE. MOTION CARRIED.

- E. Audit Committee – Meeting scheduled in February was postponed due to weather. New meeting date is scheduled for Monday April 4. Ms. Dennin will email respondents to RFP that the decision on awarding a contract for auditing services will be delayed.
- F. Administrative -
- 1) Senior class trip tentative itinerary to Washington, DC.
 - 2) Report on Youth and Government State Conference in Albany.
 - 3) Brief report on 7 students participating in the Washington All-County Music Festival.

7. INSTRUCTIONAL PROGRAM

- A. Update on posting of teaching vacancy in the area of instructional music. 54 completed applications received to this point. Committee will begin reference checks and will report at the April meeting on an interview schedule. The committee is comprised of: Mr. Ciccarelli, Mr. Switzer, Mrs. Humiston, Mr. Miller, and Mr. Walkanowski.
- B. NYS Report Card – review and commentary – Mr. Ciccarelli. The District received a grade of “In Good Standing.”
- C. Mentor Presentation – Mrs. Deborah Muscatello and Mrs. Jessica Foy explained how they are participating in the Mentor Process.
- D. Recommend the following tenure appointments:
- 1) **MOTION** by Mrs. Quigan, seconded by Mr. Gabriels that the Board of Education grant a tenure appointment, in the tenure area of Teaching Assistant, to Mrs. Jessica Foy, effective September 1, 2011. Mrs. Foy is currently assigned to the position of Teaching Assistant Grades PK-5. Tenure
J. Foy
- VOTE:**
- MR. GABRIELS - FAVORABLE**
 - MR. MURPHY – FAVORABLE**
 - MRS. PERSONS – FAVORABLE**
 - MRS. PETERSON – FAVORABLE**
 - MRS. PFAU - FAVORABLE**
 - MRS. QUIGAN - FAVORABLE**
 - MR. SCHODER - FAVORABLE**
- MOTION CARRIED – 7-0**

- 2) **MOTION** by Mrs. Peterson, seconded by Mr. Gabriels that the Board of Education grant a tenure appointment, in the tenure area of Business and Distributive Education to Mr. William Green, effective September 1, 2011. Mr. Green is currently assigned to the position of Teacher of Secondary Grades Business and Computer Education. Tenure
W. Green
- VOTE:** **MR. GABRIELS - FAVORABLE**
 MR. MURPHY – OPPOSED
 MRS. PERSONS – FAVORABLE
 MRS. PETERSON – FAVORABLE
 MRS. PFAU - FAVORABLE
 MRS. QUIGAN - FAVORABLE
 MR. SCHODER - FAVORABLE
- MOTION CARRIED – 6 FAVORABLE – 1 OPPOSED.**
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- 3) **MOTION** by Mr. Schoder, seconded by Mrs. Pfau that the Board of Education grant a tenure appointment, in the tenure area of English Language Arts to Ms. Kandi Kelley, effective September 1, 2011. Ms. Kelley is currently assigned to the position of Teacher of Secondary English Language Arts. Tenure
K. Kelley
- VOTE:** **MR. GABRIELS - FAVORABLE**
 MR. MURPHY – OPPOSED
 MRS. PERSONS – FAVORABLE
 MRS. PETERSON – FAVORABLE
 MRS. PFAU - FAVORABLE
 MRS. QUIGAN - FAVORABLE
 MR. SCHODER - FAVORABLE
- MOTION CARRIED – 6 FAVORABLE – 1 OPPOSED.**
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- 4) **MOTION** by Mr. Schoder, seconded by Mrs. Peterson that the Board of Education grant a tenure appointment, in the tenure area of Secondary Social Studies to Mr. Scott McCarthy, effective September 1, 2011. Mr. McCarthy is currently assigned to the position of Teacher of Secondary Social Studies. Tenure
S.McCarthy
- VOTE:** **MR. GABRIELS - FAVORABLE**
 MR. MURPHY – FAVORABLE
 MRS. PERSONS – FAVORABLE
 MRS. PETERSON – FAVORABLE
 MRS. PFAU - FAVORABLE
 MRS. QUIGAN - FAVORABLE
 MR. SCHODER - FAVORABLE
- MOTION CARRIED – 7-0**

- 5) **MOTION** by Mrs. Persons, seconded by Mrs. Pfau that the Board of Education grant a tenure appointment, in the tenure area of Early Childhood and Elementary Education to Ms. Tamara Schoder, effective September 1, 2011. Ms. Schoder is currently assigned to the position of Teacher of Pre-Kindergarten. Tenure
T. Schoder

VOTE: **MR. GABRIELS - FAVORABLE**
 MR. MURPHY – FAVORABLE
 MRS. PERSONS – FAVORABLE
 MRS. PETERSON – FAVORABLE
 MRS. PFAU - FAVORABLE
 MRS. QUIGAN - FAVORABLE
 MR. SCHODER - ABSTAIN (Ms. Schoder is his daughter)

MOTION CARRIED – 6-0-1

- 6) **MOTION** by Mr. Schoder, seconded by Mrs. Peterson that the Board of Education grant a tenure appointment, in the tenure area of Secondary Science to Mrs. Nicole Williams, effective September 1, 2011. Mrs. Williams is currently assigned to the position of Teacher of Secondary Science. Tenure
N.Williams

Mr. Gabriels asked the administration's opinion before the vote. Mr. Ciccarelli explained his reasoning for recommending a tenure appointment and said Mrs. Williams was worthy of tenure. Mr. Switzer supported the tenure appointment.

VOTE: **MR. GABRIELS - FAVORABLE**
 MR. MURPHY – OPPOSED
 MRS. PERSONS – FAVORABLE
 MRS. PETERSON – FAVORABLE
 MRS. PFAU - FAVORABLE
 MRS. QUIGAN - FAVORABLE
 MR. SCHODER - FAVORABLE

MOTION CARRIED – 6 FAVORABLE – 1 OPPOSED.

8. SCHOOL DISTRICT BUSINESS

- A. **MOTION** by Mr. Gabriels, seconded by Mrs. Pfau that the Board of Education approve Treasurer's and Central Treasurer's Reports for February, 2011, as presented. Treasurer's
Reports

VOTE: ALL FAVORABLE. MOTION CARRIED.

(Students left the meeting at this time)

- B. 2011-2012 budget development discussion – Ms. Dennin explained the first draft with a 2.3% increase in expenses and a 2.87% increase to the tax levy. A workshop to further review the budget will be held on March 21 at 6 PM in the Library.

9. PUBLIC COMMENT - None this month
10. BOARD OF EDUCATION ITEMS
- A. Mrs. Quigan requested a meeting of the Policy Committee to discuss returning to a four-quarter grading system. She requested that Administrators and Guidance Counselors be present. A meeting was tentatively scheduled for March 23, 2011 at 4 PM.
- B. Mr. Gabriels requested an Employee Relations Committee meeting. Mr. Murphy invited BCSTA reps into an Executive Session to discuss dates of mutual convenience. Mr. Gabriels also expressed concern that reasons for going into Executive Session be better explained so that the public understands the board's reasoning and purpose. Mr. Murphy read the 8 reasons for adjourning to Executive Session.
- C. Mrs. Persons asked if Petitions were available for Board of Education candidates. Mrs. Smack told her they were available in the Main Office.
11. **MOTION** by Mrs. Quigan, seconded by Mrs. Persons to adjourn to Executive Session at 7:56 PM, for the purpose of discussing a contractual matter.
VOTE: ALL FAVORABLE. MOTION CARRIED.
- The Board adjourned to executive session at 8:43 PM and all public, except Mr. Hull, Mr. Boire, and Mr. Beuerman left the meeting at this time.
- President Murphy returned the meeting to regular session at 8:55 PM.
12. **MOTION** by Mrs. Persons, seconded by Mr. Schoder to adjourn the meeting at 8:57 PM.
VOTE: ALL FAVORABLE. MOTION CARRIED.
- The meeting was adjourned at 8:57 PM.

Angelia M. Smack
District Clerk

Board approved: 4/11/11 AMS