

BOLTON CENTRAL SCHOOL
BOLTON LANDING, NEW YORK 12814

REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION

Monday, May 11, 2015 - 6:30 p.m.

MINUTES

1. The meeting was called to order by President Pfau at 6:30p.m.
2. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by President Pfau.
3. **ROLL CALL**

Present:

Mrs. Kathleen Pfau	Mrs. Debra Peterson
Mr. Chris Gabriels	Mr. Michael Graney
Mrs. Pamela Quigan	Ms. Kathleen Dennin
Mr. Jesse Foy	Ms. Christina Dunalewicz
Mrs. Julie Beebe	

Public Present:

Mrs. Deborah Andersen	Mr. Daniel Hull	Miss Sarah Calzada
Mrs. M. Terry Begly	Mrs. Margaret Maranville	Mr. Joseph Connery
Mr. Steven Beuerman	Mr. Dennis Murphy	Mr. Carson Courchaine
Ms. Diane Burkhardt	Dr. Paul Rice	Mr. Ethan LaGoy
Mrs. Michele French	Mr. Francisco Roca	Mr. Gavin Monroe
Mr. John Gaddy	Mrs. Tina Schroeder	Miss Angelica Mumblow
Mr. Robert Hendriks	Mr. Kirk VanAuken	Mr. Blake Nelson
		Mr. Jake Parker
		Miss Micaela Perrelli
		Mr. Mick Reynolds

4. **MINUTES APPROVAL**

MOTION by Mr. Schoder, seconded by Mrs. Peterson that the Board of Education approve the minutes from the Regular Meeting held Monday, April 20 and the Special Meeting held on Tuesday, April 21, 2015 as presented.

VOTE: ALL FAVORABLE MOTION: CARRIED

Minutes
Approval

5. **COMMUNICATIONS**

A. The election for members of the Board of Education and voting for the District Budget will take place next Tuesday, May 19, 2015 between the hours of noon and 8:00 PM in the Gym Lobby at Bolton Central School, Bolton Landing, New York, pursuant to Section 2013 of New York State Education Law. In addition, nominating petitions for candidates for the office of Member of the Board of Education were received by the District Clerk on or before April 20, 2015.

Terms for the Board of Education run for three years. There are three vacancies to be filled on the Board of Education. Seats for those whose terms expire on June 30, 2014 are Mr. Chris Gabriels, Mrs. Kathleen Pfau and Mrs. Pamela Quigan.

In alphabetical order, the candidates are:

1. Mrs Tamara DeLorenzo
2. Mrs. Kathleen Pfau
3. Mrs. Pamela Quigan

The three candidates receiving the highest number of votes cast will be elected to the Board of Education seats with terms to begin on July 1, 2015.

A member of the attending Public was asked to draw Board of Education Candidate names to determine ballot placement of our candidates. Mr. Ethan LaGoy drew the names in the following order:

1. Mrs. Kathleen Pfau
2. Mrs. Pamela Quigan
3. Mrs Tamara DeLorenzo

6. **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

- A. *Facilities Committee* - Mr. Schoder scheduled a meeting on May 27th at 5pm to discuss drainage work needed for the bus garage.
- B. *Policy Committee*- Policy Committee Meeting Report- A Policy Committee Meeting has been scheduled for Monday, June 8th at 5:30p.m.

1. **MOTION** by Mrs. Peterson, seconded by Mrs. Beebe that the Board of Education adopt the following policies as submitted:

- 7320 - Alcohol, Tobacco, Drugs and Other Substances
- 7530 - Child Abuse and Maltreatment
- 7551 - Sexual Harassment of Students
- 8130 - Equal Educational Opportunities

VOTE: ALL FAVORABLE

MOTION: CARRIED

2. Distribution of the following policies for review:

- 1410 Policy and Administrative Regulations
- 5220 District Investments
- 5511 Maintenance of Fund Balance
- 5630 Facilities: Inspection, Operation and Maintenance
- 5674 Data Networks and Security Access
- 7130 Entitlement to Attend - Age and Residency
- 7132 Non-Resident Students
- 7220 Graduation Requirements
- 7650 Identification and Register of Children with Disabilities (Child Find)

7. **INSTRUCTIONAL PROGRAM**

- A. **MOTION** by Mrs. Quigan, seconded by Mrs. Peterson that the Board of Education accept the recommendation from the Committee on Special Education as presented.

CSE Approval

VOTE: ALL FAVORABLE.

MOTION CARRIED.

B. WSWHE Board of Education Presentation- Dr. Paul Rice, WSWHE BOCES Board Member made a presentation to the Board and attending public which covered the make-up of the WSWHE BOCES District, including particulars about the service's scope, details of the composition of the administration and Board and the 2015 - 2016 Budget. Dr. Rice went on to cover the portions of the BOCES Budget that are allocated for Bolton and the different programs it supports. In closing, Dr. Rice shared a video that highlighted the Conservation & Forestry program that WSWHE BOCES offers students.

C. Weighted Grades Report - Mrs. French reported that this past fall started the discussion and consideration of development of a weighted grading system. The Committee sought the process and practice of neighboring districts.

There was a question regarding the purpose for weighted grading and it was explained that the weighting of courses has been established to promote enrollment in more rigorous curriculum during a student's high school career. Mr. Graney added that the research done by the committee was very comprehensive and that the group would reconvene every spring to discuss any newly proposed courses to be weighted. This item will be presented at the June meeting for Board approval.

D. Elementary Code of Conduct - Mrs. French referred to the enclosures of two versions of the Code of Conduct. Upon further examination of the current Code of Conduct, it was determined that a version for elementary students was needed to address age appropriate situations and consequences. This new version was developed by a committee of staff members and, if adopted, will be introduced with the start of the 2015 - 2016 school year. This item will be presented at the June meeting for Board approval.

8. **SCHOOL DISTRICT BUSINESS**

A. **MOTION** by Mrs. Peterson, seconded by Mrs. Quigan that the Board of Education approve the Treasurer and Central Treasurer's reports for April 2015 as presented.

Treasurer &
Central
Treasurer's
Report

VOTE: ALL FAVORABLE **MOTION: CARRIED**

B. **Presentation of the proposed 2015 - 2016 Budget - Ms. Dennin**

Ms. Dennin discussed the presented budget and reported that the District was able to maintain all programs with no reductions in service to the students. The total budget increase over last year is 1.58%. Voting will be held on Tuesday, May 19, 2015 from noon until 8pm in the BCS Gym Lobby.

C. **Strategic Planning Report - Educational Legacy Planning Group - Mr. Robert Hendriks** - Mr. Hendriks reflected on the summit and asked the Board for feedback. Mrs. Pfau expressed that the summit was a good experience and allowed the community an opportunity to share their thoughts regarding the needs of present and future students in the Bolton Central School District. For the benefit of those who were not able to attend and to present a comprehensive recap of the event, Mr. Hendriks shared the results and highlights from the summit. It was noted that a Bolton Central School video that highlights the students should be a consideration

and there was discussion of getting that done in early June of this year. On behalf of the Board, Mrs. Pfau thanked Mr. Hendriks for his work with the District and the community.

- D. Update on Physical Education/Health Vacancy Search - Mr. Graney reported that there have been 23 inquiries for applications and eight candidates that are dual certified. The first round of interviews will take place during the week of May 19th and administration intends to present an appointment for June.
- E. Approve the use of Bolton Central School District's Driver's Education car for Warrensburg's Summer Driver's Ed session. Memorandum of Agreement enclosed. Discussed past history last year- worked well for both districts.

MOTION by Mr. Carl Schoder, seconded by Mrs. Pamela Quigan that the Board of Education approve the use of Bolton Central School District's Driver's Education car for Warrenburg Central School District's Summer Driver's Education session as outlined by Memorandum of Agreement as presented.

VOTE: ALL FAVORABLE MOTION: CARRIED

9. **PUBLIC COMMENT**

Mr. Dennis Murphy asked for more information regarding Warrensburg Central School District's usage of Bolton Central School District's Driver's Education car. It was explained that there is a memorandum of agreement that has been reviewed that addresses concerns of both parties and charges a fee per mile.

Mr. Kirk VanAuken requested further information on the status of the 2013 field project and expressed concerns. The discussion focused on the status of a regulation sized baseball field in the district and possible options for a field. Considerations that are still in development will be further examined and the Board and District stressed that they will continue to explore possibilities until a feasible solution is found for our students. The Board thanked Mr. VanAuken for his time and concern.

10. **BOARD OF EDUCATION ITEMS**

MOTION by Mrs. Quigan, seconded by Mr. Schoder to adjourn to Executive Session for the purpose of discussing the employment history of particular personnel at 8:40p.m.

Adjourn to Executive Session

VOTE: ALL FAVORABLE. MOTION CARRIED.

Mrs. Pfau returned the meeting to regular session at 10:07 p.m.

MOTION by Mrs. Quigan seconded by Mr. Schoder to adjourn the meeting at 10:07 p.m.

Meeting Adjourned

VOTE: ALL FAVORABLE. MOTION CARRIED.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:07 p.m.

Board approved: _____

District Clerk