

BOLTON CENTRAL SCHOOL
BOLTON LANDING, NEW YORK 12814

REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION
January 09, 2017

MINUTES

1. The meeting was called to order by Mrs. Pfau at 6:32p.m.
2. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mrs. Pfau.

3. **ROLL CALL**

Present:

Mrs. Julie Beebe

Mrs. Tammie DeLorenzo Mrs. Denise Johnson

Ms. Michelle Calzada Ms. Kathleen Dennin

Mrs. Kathleen Pfau Ms. Christina Dunalewicz

Mrs. Pamela Quigan Mr. Michael Graney

Absent:

Mr. Jesse Foy

Public Present:

Mrs. Deborah Andersen Mrs. Dawn Robinson

Mr. Chad Shippee Mrs. Margaret Maranville

Mr. Daniel Hull Ms. Jennifer Trowbridge

Mr. Michael Leone Mr. Dan Shaw

4. **MINUTES APPROVAL**

MOTION by Mrs. DeLorenzo seconded by Ms. Calzada, that the Board of Education approve the minutes from the Regular meeting held on Monday, December 12, 2016 as presented. *Mrs. Quigan abstained.*

VOTE: ALL FAVORABLE MOTION: CARRIED

Minutes
Approval

5. **COMMUNICATIONS**

A. AASBA Meeting - AASBA Meeting - February 16, 2017 - Queensbury Hotel, 6:00 p.m. Social - 6:45 p.m. Dinner. Please RSVP to the District Clerk by Friday, February 10th

B. CASDA Friends of Education Award – Mr. Graney announced that each year CASDA asks for nominations for a Friends of Education recipient. Bolton Central has nominated Melanie Persons to receive this award on February 16th. More information will be shared as it becomes available.

6. **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

A. Facilities Committee- Mrs. Pfau reported that the committee recently met with the Town of Bolton to bring them up to date with the District's hopes for Strategic Improvement Projects that will be discussed at a Community Forum to be held on Thursday, January 12th at 6:30 p.m.

- B. Policy Committee will meet on Monday, March 13th at 5:45 p.m.

MOTION by Mrs. Quigan, seconded by Mrs. Johnson, that the Board of Education adopt the following policies as presented:

5681 - School Safety Plans

5683 - Fire and Emergency Drills, Bomb Threats, and Bus Emergency Drills

6220 - Temporary Personnel

7220 - Graduation Options/Early Graduation/Accelerated Programs

7222 - Diploma or Credential Options for Students with Disabilities

VOTE: ALL FAVORABLE

MOTION: CARRIED

- C. Employee Relations Committee – December 15th Meeting Report - Mrs. Julie Beebe reported that the committee and the BTA met and exchanged proposals. There is another meeting scheduled for Tuesday, January 24th.

7. **INSTRUCTIONAL PROGRAM**

- A. **MOTION** by Mrs. Quigan, seconded by Mrs. DeLorenzo, to accept the recommendations from the Committee on Special Education, as presented.

VOTE: ALL FAVORABLE

MOTION: CARRIED

- B. Strategic Planning/School Improvement Update – Mr. Shippee circulated an updated chart of strategic planning focus areas and discussed their progress. The Steering Committee will give an in-depth presentation at the February meeting on the status of action steps that still in development.

8. **SCHOOL DISTRICT BUSINESS**

- A. **MOTION** by Mrs. DeLorenzo, seconded by Mrs. Quigan, to accept the recommendation that the Board of Education approve the Treasurer and Central Treasurer's reports for December 2016, as presented.

VOTE: ALL FAVORABLE

MOTION: CARRIED

Treasurer &
Central
Treasurer's
Report

- B. **MOTION** by Mrs. DeLorenzo, seconded by Mrs. Johnson, that the Board of Education approve the Bolton Central School Smart Schools Investment Plan, as presented.

VOTE: ALL FAVORABLE

MOTION: CARRIED

- C. **MOTION** by Mrs. Quigan, seconded by Mrs. Johnson, that the Board of Education appoint Mr. Carlos Nieves to the position of Cleaner, effective January 10, 2017 with a salary of \$ 25,480.

VOTE: ALL FAVORABLE

MOTION: CARRIED

- D. **MOTION** by Mrs. Quigan, seconded by Mrs. DeLorenzo, that the Board of Education approve the advocacy priorities for the 2017 Legislative Session as presented.

WHEREAS, the Bolton Central School District strives to provide an outstanding education and post-secondary pathway for each and every student; and

WHEREAS, the District works diligently to meet the needs of all students while still fulfilling the ever-increasing list of state mandates and contractual obligations; and

WHEREAS, our School District's free and reduced lunch rate has increased from 20.8 % to 24.2 % since 2012-2013; and

WHEREAS, the district continues to work diligently to create a balanced budget that respects the needs of area taxpayers; and

WHEREAS, property tax levy legislation at the state level has provided an increased need for State Aid to maintain quality programs; and

WHEREAS, public schools are being asked to do more for students than ever before, so they are prepared for college, military or a career; and

WHEREAS, each child in Bolton Central School District only has one opportunity to go through the full elementary and secondary educational experience;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Bolton Central School District Board of Education calls on the New York State Legislature and Governor Andrew Cuomo to act upon the following priorities:

1. Fund and Adjust the Foundation Formula
 - Review and Update the Foundation Amount - currently \$6,395.00 per pupil.
 - Update the formula to accurately reflect a district's income wealth factor for districts below .65.
 - Adjust the weighting factor for Free and Reduced Lunch to reflect the accurate measure of student need of a district.
 - Maintain the "SAVE Harmless" provision.
2. Increase the \$30,000 Threshold on BOCES Aid for Career and Technical Education (CTE) Programs by providing 100% aid ability for the salaries of CTE teachers.
3. Adjust the District Superintendent Salary Cap
 - The Districts in the WSWHE BOCES region encourage the legislature to remove the reference to Commissioner's salary in the 2003-2004 fiscal year, and link the cap to the Commissioner's current salary.
4. Small Group Insurance
 - Support is needed for legislation that changes the "small group" definition back to 1-50 employees and extends the protection that currently allows school districts with 51-100 employees to remain in their Health Care Consortiums or Trusts beyond the two years.

VOTE: ALL FAVORABLE. MOTION CARRIED.

E. Presentation of Rollover Budget

Ms. Dennin presented a rollover budget. Faculty and staff will be submitting requisitions at the end of the month. New York State has not provided state aid runs at this time. The information will be updated as more details become available.

9. **PUBLIC COMMENT**

No public comment.

10. **BOARD OF EDUCATION COMMENT**

The Board of Education will hold a Special Meeting on Thursday, January 19th at 6 p.m. in the BCS Library.

11. **BOARD OF EDUCATION ITEMS**

MOTION by Mrs. Johnson, seconded by Ms. Calzada to adjourn to Executive Session for the purpose of collective bargaining negotiations pursuant to Article 14 of Civil Service Law at 7:03 p.m.

Meeting
Adjourn to
Executive
Session

VOTE: ALL FAVORABLE. MOTION CARRIED.

Mrs. Pfau returned the meeting to regular session at 8:39 p.m.

MOTION by Mrs. DeLorenzo seconded by Ms. Calzada to adjourn the meeting at 8:39 p.m.

Meeting
Adjourned

VOTE: ALL FAVORABLE. MOTION CARRIED.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:39 p.m.

Board approved: _____

District Clerk