

BOLTON CENTRAL SCHOOL  
BOLTON LANDING, NEW YORK 12814

REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION  
January 8, 2018

MINUTES

1. The meeting was called to order by Mrs. Pfau at 6:30 p.m.
2. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mrs. Pfau.

3. **ROLL CALL**

*Present:*

Mrs. Julie Beebe	Mr. Jesse Foy
Mrs. Tammie DeLorenzo	Mrs. Denise Johnson
Ms. Michelle Calzada	Ms. Kathleen Dennin
Mrs. Kathleen Pfau	Ms. Christina Dunalewicz
Mrs. Pamela Quigan	Mr. Michael Graney

*Public Present:*

Mrs. Deborah Andersen	Mr. John Gaddy	Mrs. Kathy Connerty
Master Daniel Cooper	Mrs. Rebecca Cooper	Miss Kristen Gollhofer
Mr. Chad Shippee	Miss Natalie Figueroa	Mr. John Gollhofer
Mr. Daniel Hull	Ms. Jennifer Carlson	Mrs. Jackie Figueroa
Miss Molly Showers	Mr. Angel Figueroa	Mr. Michael Leone

4. **MINUTES APPROVAL**

**MOTION** by Ms. Calzada seconded by Mrs. Johnson, that the Board of Education approve the minutes from the Regular meeting held on Monday, December 11, 2017 as presented.

Minutes  
Approval

**VOTE: ALL FAVORABLE                      MOTION: CARRIED**

5. **COMMUNICATIONS**

- A. AASBA Meeting - February 15, 2018 - Queensbury Hotel, 6:00 p.m. Social - 6:45 p.m. Dinner. Please RSVP to the District Clerk by Friday, February 8th. More information will be provided as it becomes available.
- B. Legislative Breakfast - Friday, January 12 - Board President and Superintendent. See Item # 8D

6. **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

- A. Facilities Committee- Mrs. Pfau reported that the committee met on Thursday, January 4. The committee will meet again on Thursday, February 8<sup>th</sup> at 9am.

- B. Policy Committee will meet again in March.

**MOTION** by Mrs. Beebe, seconded by Ms. Calzada, that the Board of Education adopt the following policies as presented:

- 7330 – Searches and Interrogations
- 7520 – Accidents and Medical Emergencies
- 7616 – Pre-Referral Intervention Services

Policies:  
7330,  
7520, 7616

**VOTE: ALL FAVORABLE                      MOTION: CARRIED**

7. **INSTRUCTIONAL PROGRAM**

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

CSE  
Committee  
Rec.

**VOTE: ALL FAVORABLE                      MOTION: CARRIED**

- C. STEAM Labs – Mr. Shippee - The Elementary STEAM Labs being used every day during recess. This Winter’s BEST program will host 18 students. Both middle and high school students have been using the Fabrication Lab. The preferred tool is a laser engraver. The World of Technology class created roller coasters out of paper and tape which were on display at the meeting. Mr. Sheridan’s 6<sup>th</sup> grade class worked on building underwater rovers in the Fabrication Lab as well.

Ms. Carlson, Daniel Cooper and Natalie Figueroa shared a brief introduction to coding at the elementary level. Daniel and Natalie also ran through a few of the projects they are working on via the presentation screen.

8. **SCHOOL DISTRICT BUSINESS**

- A. **MOTION** by Mrs. DeLorenzo, seconded by Mrs. Johnson, to accept the recommendation that the Board of Education approve the Treasurer and Central Treasurer’s reports for December 2017, as presented.

Treasurer &  
Central  
Treasurer’s  
Report

**VOTE: ALL FAVORABLE                      MOTION: CARRIED**

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

BCS SSIP Plan  
Approval

**VOTE: ALL FAVORABLE                      MOTION: CARRIED**

Mrs. Pfau thanked Ms. Carlson for her ongoing efforts on this project.

- C. **MOTION** by Mrs. DeLorenzo, seconded by Ms. Calzada, that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, that Mr. Patrick Boire and Mr. Daniel Hull be appointed as co-advisors of the extra-curricular activity: Tri-County High School Trap Club. Stipend, Duties and Conditions are stipulated in the current Collective Bargaining Agreement with the BTA, as presented.

Tri-County HS  
Trap Advisors  
Appt.

**VOTE: ALL FAVORABLE                      MOTION: CARRIED**

To date, 19 students have signed up to express interest. The Board thanked both Mr. Hull and Mr. Boire for their work on this endeavor. Mr. Hull thanked the Board for the opportunity to bring this new activity to the district.

- D. **MOTION** by Mrs. Quigan, seconded by Ms. Calzada, that the Board of Education approve the advocacy priorities for the 2018 Legislative Session as presented.

2018  
Advocacy  
Priorities

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 is 28%; 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 \$6,340.00 per pupil.
- Reduce the Income Wealth Index.
- Adjust the weighting factor for Free and Reduced Lunch to reflect the accurate measure of student need.
- Maintain the "SAVE Harmless" provision.
- Provide a minimum increase in foundation aid to all school districts.

**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. Small Group Health Insurance**

**- Create a “carve out” provision in statute to allow all school districts with 51-100 or more employees to continue to participate in an Experienced Rated Health Insurance Consortium or Trust.**

**4. Building Aid for Small Capital Projects:**

**- Increase the threshold for base year capital outlay expenses from the current amount, established in 2002 from \$100,000 to \$250,000 to assist districts in making critical capital improvements.**

**VOTE: ALL FAVORABLE. MOTION CARRIED.**

Mrs. Pfau explained that the key points that appeal to our District are items three and four.

- E. **MOTION** by Mrs. Quigan, seconded by Ms. Calzada, that the Board of Education approve the corrective action plan for the 2017 Independent Audit Report, as presented.

**VOTE: ALL FAVORABLE MOTION: CARRIED**

Approval -  
Corrective  
Action Plan  
for 2017  
Independent  
Audit Report

- F. Presentation of Rollover Budget

Ms. Dennin presented a rollover budget to the Board and discussed the details of the summary sheet. 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. Mr. Graney encouraged Board members to reach to he or Ms. Dennin for specific questions prior to the Budget workshops.

- F. **MOTION** by Mrs. DeLorenzo, seconded by Mrs. Johnson, that the Board of Education approve an overnight trip to Montreal from Saturday, April 28<sup>th</sup> until Sunday, April 29<sup>th</sup>, 2018, as presented.

**VOTE: ALL FAVORABLE MOTION: CARRIED**

Student  
Travel  
Approval

Molly Showers and Kirsten Gollhofer spoke on the itinerary, shared their experiences and explained what different activities the group will be involved in with this year’s trip.

**9. PUBLIC COMMENT**

Mr. John Gaddy, representing the Town of Bolton Planning Board, spoke to the Board and attending public about Dark Sky lighting and how it can reduce light pollution. Information was provided. Mr. Gaddy encouraged the Board to consider learning more about Dark Sky lighting options for the District property. Utilizing Dark Sky friendly lighting options would not only reduce light pollution but also reduce costs. Mr. Gaddy invited future conversations once the Board and District is ready. Mrs. Pfau

recommended that he make a presentation to the Facilities Committee in the future. Mr. Gaddy is looking forward to the opportunity.

10. **BOARD OF EDUCATION COMMENT**

No Board of Education comment.

11. **BOARD OF EDUCATION ITEMS**

**MOTION** by Mrs. DeLorenzo, seconded by Ms. Calzada to adjourn to Executive Session for the purpose of discussion of the employment history of a particular person.

7:15 p.m.

**VOTE: ALL FAVORABLE. MOTION CARRIED.**

Mrs. Pfau returned the meeting to regular session at 8:05 p.m.

**MOTION** by Mrs. DeLorenzo, seconded by Mrs. Quigan, to adjourn the meeting at 8:05 p.m.

**VOTE: ALL FAVORABLE. MOTION CARRIED.**

The meeting was adjourned at 8:05 p.m.

Meeting  
Adjourn to  
Executive  
Session

Meeting  
Adjourned

Board approved:

District Clerk