

BOLTON CENTRAL SCHOOL
BOLTON LANDING, NEW YORK 12814
REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION
December 9, 2019

MINUTES

1. The meeting was called to order by Mrs. Pfau at 6:31 p.m.
2. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mrs. Pfau.

3. **ROLL CALL**

Present:

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

Absent:

Mr. Jesse Foy

Public Present:

Mr. Chad Shippee	Mrs. Darcie Castellano	Mr. Michael Leone
Mr. Daniel Hull	Mr. Rocco Castellano	
Mr. Richard Zaleski	Mrs. Margaret Maranville	

4. **MINUTES APPROVAL**

MOTION by Mrs. Quigan, seconded by Ms. Calzada, that the Board of Education approve the minutes from the Regular meeting held on Monday, November 18, 2019 as presented.

VOTE: ALL FAVORABLE

MOTION: CARRIED

Minutes
Approval

5. **COMMUNICATIONS**

- A. Bolton-Warrensburg Fall sports had a great season. At a recent All-Star Banquet our student athletes were recognized for their achievements during the season.

6. **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

- A. Facilities Committee Meeting Report – Mrs. Pfau reported that Phase 1 is approaching completion. The Phase 2 portion of the project is underway. The foundation for the addition has been poured. Construction will take place over break. The Server Room will begin the process of being relocated over the Mid-Winter Recess. There will be a Construction Meeting right before the Holiday break.

- B. Policy Committee- The Policy Committee has set a meeting date of February 10th, 2020 at 5:45 p.m. Three new policies will be submitted for first read at the January Board Meeting.

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

- 7220 – Graduation Options/Early Graduation/Accelerated Programs
- 7222 – Diploma or Credential Options for Students with Disabilities
- 7440 – Student Voter Registration and Pre-Registration

Policy
Adopt
7220,
7222,
7440

VOTE: ALL FAVORABLE.

MOTION CARRIED.

7. **INSTRUCTIONAL PROGRAM**

- A. Grades 6–12 Holiday Concert–Wednesday, December 18th–7 p.m.–BCS Gym
Mr. Graney shared that a District YouTube channel has been set-up and that there are links to all the 2019 Winter Concerts available for viewing.

8. **SCHOOL DISTRICT BUSINESS**

- A. **MOTION** by Mrs. Quigan, seconded by Mrs. Johnson, to accept the recommendation that the Board of Education approve the Treasurer and Central Treasurer’s reports for November 2019, as presented.

Treasurer &
Central
Treasurer’s
Report

VOTE: ALL FAVORABLE

MOTION: CARRIED

- B. Distribution of proposed 2020-2021 budget preparation timeline.

Ms. Dennin reported that this year’s schedule is similar to past timelines. The rollover budget will be presented on January 13, 2020 at 6:30pm in the Library. The first Budget Workshop will be held on Monday, March 30th. The time will be announced.

- C. **MOTION** by Mrs. Quigan, seconded by Mrs. Johnson, that the Board of Education, approve a resolution regarding advocacy priorities for the 2020 Legislative Session as presented;

2020
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, best practices and contractual obligations; and

WHEREAS, our School District’s free and reduced lunch rate has increased from 19% to 28% since 2012; 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*
 - a. *Review and Update the Foundation Amount- Currently \$6,714.00 per pupil*
 - b. *Provide a minimum increase of 2% in foundation aid to all school districts*
 - c. *Maintain the "SAVE Harmless" provision.*
 - d. *Adjust the weighting factor for Free and Reduced Lunch from .65 to .75-.80 to reflect large increases in this population.*
2. *Increase the \$30,000 threshold on BOCES Aid for Career and Technical Education (CTE) Programs by providing 100% aidability for the salaries of CTE teachers*
3. *Allow Districts to Access to the BOCES Health Safety and Risk Management Service to Offset the Costs and to Increase the Number of School Resource Officers*
4. *Support a Permanent Solution to the Small Group Health Insurance Issue*
5. *Support Efforts to Prevent the use of E-Cigarettes, including Vaping*
6. *Building Aid for Small Capital Projects*
 - a. *Increase the threshold for base year capital outlay expenses from the current amount, established in 2002 from \$100,000 to \$250,000 to assist*

VOTE: ALL FAVORABLE

MOTION: CARRIED

- D. **MOTION** by Mrs. Quigan seconded by Ms. Calzada, that the Board of Education appoint Mrs. Leona Denne to an extra duty position of Student Exchange Coordinator for the 2019 – 2020 school year, with a stipend of \$613. This is a term appointment, in effect no later than June 20, 2020, unless terminated earlier or extended by further action of the Board.

VOTE: ALL FAVORABLE

MOTION: CARRIED

L. Denne-
Student
Exchange
Coordinator

E. **MOTION** by Mrs. DeLorenzo, seconded by Mrs. Quigan, that the Board of Education hereby accept the recommendation of the Superintendent to appoint Mrs. Darcie Castellano to a four (4) year probationary appointment as an Elementary teacher in the Elementary tenure area, commencing December 10, 2019 and ending on December 9, 2023. Mrs. Castellano holds an Initial certification as a Childhood Education (Grades 1-6) teacher. A necessary factor in consideration for tenure at the end of this probationary appointment, will be receipt of permanent certification and fulfillment of all other requirements of the New York State Education Department by Mrs. Castellano, no later than the expiration date of her probationary appointment.

D.
Castellano –
Elementary
Teacher

VOTE: ALL FAVORABLE **MOTION: CARRIED**

F. **MOTION** by Mrs. DeLorenzo, seconded by Ms. Calzada, that the Board of Education approve the appointment of Mrs. Tammy Soper as a Teacher Mentor for the 2019 – 2020 school year. Stipend, Duties and Conditions are stipulated in the current Collective Bargaining Agreement with the BTA.

T. Soper -
Mentor

VOTE: ALL FAVORABLE **MOTION: CARRIED**

G. **MOTION** by Mrs. DeLorenzo, seconded by Mrs. Johnson, that the Board of Education accept the resignation for retirement purposes of Stephen Showers effective December 28, 2019; and

S. Showers-
Retirement
and Per
Diem Rate

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board appoints Mr. Showers as the Guidance Counselor and Pupil Personnel Coordinator for the District, effective January 6, 2020, on a per diem basis, at a rate of \$350 per day, not to exceed 100 days, ending no later than July 31, 2020.

VOTE: ALL FAVORABLE **MOTION: CARRIED**

H. **MOTION** by Mrs. DeLorenzo, seconded by Mrs. Johnson, that the Board of Education accept the resignation for retirement purposes of Laurie Blanchard effective March 4, 2020.

L. Blanchard -
Retirement

VOTE: ALL FAVORABLE **MOTION: CARRIED**

9. **PUBLIC COMMENT**

No comment this month.

10. **BOARD OF EDUCATION COMMENTS**

No comment this month.

11. **BOARD OF EDUCATION ITEMS**

MOTION by Mrs. DeLorenzo, 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 6:46 p.m.

Meeting
Adjourn to
Executive
Session

VOTE: ALL FAVORABLE. MOTION CARRIED.

Mrs. Pfau returned the meeting to regular session at 7:50 p.m.

MOTION by Ms. Calzada, seconded by Mrs. DeLorenzo to adjourn the meeting at 7:50 p.m.

Meeting
Adjourned

VOTE: ALL FAVORABLE. MOTION CARRIED.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:50 p.m.

Board approved:

District Clerk