

BOLTON CENTRAL SCHOOL
BOLTON LANDING, NEW YORK 12814

REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION
March 15, 2021

MINUTES

1. The meeting was called to order by Mrs. Pfau at 6:36 p.m.
2. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mrs. Pfau.

3. **ROLL CALL**

Present in Person:

*Mrs. Kathleen Pfau
Mrs. Pamela Quigan
Ms. Michelle Calzada
Mrs. Denise Johnson
Mr. Timothy Daken*

*Mrs. Tammie DeLorenzo
Mr. Michael Graney
Ms. Kathleen Dennin
Ms. Christina Dunalewicz*

Absent:

Mr. Jesse Foy

Public Present Via Phone:

*Mrs. Molly Gordon
Mr. Chad Shippee
Mr. Dan Hull*

*Mrs. Dawn Robinson
Ms. Courtney Duggan*

4. **MINUTES APPROVAL**

MOTION by Mrs. Johnson, seconded by Ms. Calzada, that the Board of Education approve the minutes from the Regular meeting held on Monday, February 8, 2021, and the Special Meeting held on March 4, 2021 as presented.

VOTE: ALL FAVORABLE

MOTION: CARRIED

Minutes
Approval

5. **COMMUNICATIONS**

- A. AASBA Meeting – March 18, 2021 - Mrs. Pfau – Please confirm with the District Clerk this evening if you wish to attend the virtual meeting.
- B. BOCES Annual Meeting - Thursday, April 1, 2021 - Mrs. Pfau

6. **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

- A. Policy Committee

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

- 1330 – Appointments and Designations by the Board
- 1620 – Annual Organizational Meeting
- 1640 – Absentee Ballots
- 5681 – School Safety Plans
- 7420 – Sports and the Athletic Program

VOTE: ALL FAVORABLE.

MOTION CARRIED.

Approval:
1330,1620,
1640,5681,
7420

- B. Mrs. Quigan reported the Committee and the Bolton Teachers' Association met on February 10th and March 11th and will meet again on March 30th. The negotiation meetings have been encouraging.

7. **INSTRUCTIONAL PROGRAM**

- A. **MOTION** by Mrs. Quigan, seconded by Mrs. Johnson, that the Board of Education approve the recommendations of the CSE/CPSE Committee, as presented.

VOTE: ALL FAVORABLE MOTION: CARRIED

CSE/CPSE
Rec.

- B/C. Follow-Up Discussion of 2021 – 2022 Calendar and Proposed Board of Education meeting dates. Mr. Graney reported that the enclosed documents are slated to be approved at the April meeting if there are no further revisions

- D. Athletics Update: Mr. Graney reported that Fall 2 season is underway. The abbreviated Winter season went smoothly. Student athletes and coaches have been working together with staff to ensure all safety protocols are followed. Students were able to play. With the Fall 2 season, soccer is not considered high risk because it is played outdoors. Congratulations to Katelyn Van Auken on setting a new record for the All Time Leading Scorer at a career point count of 1,359.

- E. Testing Update: Mr. Shippee reported that the format and duration of the 3-8 ELA and math exams has been determined and set by the state. This year, only part 1 of the exams will be required. Part 2 is optional. The district will not be administering part 2 of either the ELA or math exams. We will stick with the original schedule for day 1 of these exams which will be April 21st for ELA and May 5th for Math. Only the written portion of the grades 4 and 8 science exams will be given. The lab portion will not be required. As for Regents Exams, English Language Arts, Algebra 1, Living Environment and Earth Science will be administered this year. These scores should not be used for any final exam grade.

8. **SCHOOL DISTRICT BUSINESS**

- A. **MOTION** by Ms. Calzada, seconded by Mrs. Quigan, to accept the recommendation that the Board of Education approve the Treasurer and Central Treasurer's reports for February, 2021, as presented.

VOTE: ALL FAVORABLE MOTION: CARRIED

Treasurer &
Central
Treasurer's
Report

- B. 2021 – 2022 Budget Discussion – Ms. Dennin

Ms. Dennin circulated and discussed a Tax Levy Limit Circulation information sheet. The document was submitted to the New York State Education Department on March 1, 2021. The 20% state aid that was expected last year is starting to come through. It appears the district should get all state aid it is entitled to for this year. There is some discussion that districts should be allowed to have an 8% fund balance and also the possibility of setting up reserves for special education expenses.

The Budget Workshop will be held on March 30, 2021 at 6:00 p.m.

- C. **MOTION** by Mrs. Quigan, seconded by Mrs. Johnson, that the Board of Education, partially refund the 2020-2021 school taxes for the following property per the small claims assessment review (SCAR) proceeding:

Tax Map Number: 171.14 - 1- 5.4
 Owner: Ken & Joelle Andersen
 Assessment Was Reduced From \$838,000 to \$760,000
 2020 – 2021 Refund Amount: \$363.01

VOTE: ALL FAVORABLE

MOTION: CARRIED

9. **PUBLIC COMMENT**

No public comment.

10. **BOARD OF EDUCATION COMMENTS**

Congratulations to Kaden Tennent on being selected as a Post Star Teen Excellence Award winner.

11. **BOARD OF EDUCATION ITEMS**

- A. **MOTION** by Mrs. Quigan, seconded by Mrs. Johnson, to adjourn to Executive Session for the purpose of collective bargaining negotiations pursuant to Article 14 of Civil Service Law at 6:57 p.m.

Meeting
Adjourn to
Executive
Session

VOTE: ALL FAVORABLE.

MOTION CARRIED.

Mrs. Pfau returned the meeting to regular session at 8:00 p.m.

- B. **MOTION** by Mrs. Johnson, seconded by Mr. Daken, to adjourn the meeting at 8:00 p.m.

Meeting
Adjourned

VOTE: ALL FAVORABLE.

MOTION CARRIED.

The meeting was adjourned 8:00 p.m.

Board approved:

District Clerk