

BOLTON CENTRAL SCHOOL
BOLTON LANDING, NEW YORK 12814

REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION
December 14, 2015

MINUTES

1. The meeting was called to order by Mrs. Pfau at 6:33p.m.
2. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mrs. Pfau.

3. **ROLL CALL**

Present:

Mrs. Julie Beebe
Mrs. Tammie DeLorenzo Mr. Carl Schoder
Mr. Jesse Foy Ms. Kathleen Dennin
Mrs. Kathleen Pfau Ms. Christina Dunalewicz
Mrs. Pamela Quigan Mr. Michael Graney

Absent:

Mrs. Debra Peterson

Public Present:

Mrs. Deborah Andersen Mrs. Dawn Robinson
Mrs. Michele French Mrs. Margaret Maranville
Mr. Daniel Hull Mr. Douglas Wholey
Mr. Mark Andrejkovics Mrs. Terry Begly
Mr. John Gaddy Mr. Greg Smith
Mrs. Melanie Ostberg Mrs. Kristine Lanchantin (arrived 6:57 p.m.)
Mr. Francisco Roca

4. **MINUTES APPROVAL**

MOTION by Mr. Schoder, seconded by Mrs. Beebe, that the Board of Education approve the minutes from the Regular meeting held on Monday, November 16, 2015 as presented.

VOTE: ALL FAVORABLE

MOTION: CARRIED

Minutes
Approval

5. **COMMUNICATIONS**

None this month.

6. **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

- A. Facilities Committee- Mr. Schoder reported that a Facilities Committee meeting was held on December 2nd. The committee reviewed the building condition report being prepared by AES Northeast. There were some questions. AES Principal Architect, Mr. Dan Whitford will be meeting with administration on Monday, December 21st in order to clarify any points. The report needs to be submitted to the New York State Education Department by January 16, 2016. AES will prepare a supplemental report regarding the state of the bus garage as it has appeared on previous reports and whether or not it should be a topic of discussion.

Mr. Graney met with Town of Bolton Supervisor Ron Conover approximately two weeks ago. Mr. Conover shared a Department of Environmental Conservation report that approves moving forward on the development of a town baseball field. The District is looking forward to this additional opportunity to nurture a working relationship with the Town. Community feedback was shared and indicated that the progress of work at the field is significant. There are still logistical details that need to be worked out and how the District could be a part of the future of this project will also be a future consideration. The District is hopeful for access to the field in spring of 2017. The next Facilities Committee meeting date is set for Wednesday, January 6th at 6pm.

Mrs. Pfau thanked Mr. Schoder and all those involved for their efforts in bringing about this opportunity for our students.

- B. Policy Committee- The Policy Committee has set a meeting date of February 8, 2016.

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

Policy 6216,
6215, 8280

6216 - Disciplining a Tenured Teacher or Certified Personnel

6215 - Probation and Tenure

8280 - Instruction For English Language Learners

VOTE: ALL FAVORABLE

MOTION: CARRIED

- C. Employee Relations Committee - Mrs. Julie Beebe proposed several dates in January to start BSPA negotiations. Both groups will remain in contact.

7. INSTRUCTIONAL PROGRAM

- A. **MOTION** by Mrs. Beebe, seconded by Mrs. DeLorenzo, that the Board of Education approve the recommendations from the Committee on Special Needs as presented

CSE/CPSE
Business

VOTE: ALL FAVORABLE

MOTION: CARRIED

- B. Mrs. Andersen, Mr. Andrejkovics and Mrs. Ostberg gave a combined Elementary Science curriculum presentation that included snapshots of the daily routines of grades 3 - 5. Also discussed were the science programs and textbooks that each set of students utilize as part of the curriculum.

At the conclusion of the presentation, Mrs. Pfau and Mrs. Quigan thanked all involved in keeping the District at the forefront of what is available and supporting the mission of preparing our students for the future.

8. SCHOOL DISTRICT BUSINESS

- A. **MOTION** by Mrs. DeLorenzo, seconded by Mrs. Beebe, to accept the recommendation that the Board of Education approve the Treasurer and Central Treasurer's reports for November 2015, as presented.

Treasurer &
Central
Treasurer's
Report

VOTE: ALL FAVORABLE

MOTION: CARRIED

- B. **MOTION** by Mrs. Beebe, seconded by Mrs. DeLorenzo, that the Board of Education approve the maternity leave for Mrs. Tamara Soper from her position as Pre - Kindergarten Teacher commencing on or about May 2nd.

Mr. Carl Schoder abstained his vote based on a conflict of interest.

VOTE: ALL FAVORABLE MOTION: CARRIED

- C. **MOTION** by Mrs. DeLorenzo, seconded by Mrs. Quigan, that the Board of Education accept the letter of resignation with sincere appreciation from Mr. Chad Shippee relevant to his position as Instrumental Music Teacher and the following extra curricular appointments: Band, Contemporary Music and Modified Softball, all effective January 4, 2016.

VOTE: ALL FAVORABLE MOTION: CARRIED

Mr. Shippee will be leaving Bolton Central School for a position in the Niskayuna Central School District. While we will certainly miss Mr. Shippee, we wish him well with his new administrative endeavors.

- D. Distribution of proposed 2016-2017 budget preparation timeline.

Ms. Dennin reported that this year's schedule is similar to past timelines. The rollover budget will be presented on January 11, 2016 at 6:30pm in the Library.

9. **PUBLIC COMMENT**

The 2015 Girls Varsity Soccer team was recently recognized as a NYSPHSAA Scholar-Athlete team for the Fall 2015 season. At the end of each sport season, the NYSPHSAA honors those teams that excel in the classroom and acknowledge those teams who maintain an overall GPA of 90 or above. This is the sixth consecutive year they have received this award.

In addition the team attended the 2015 NYSPHSAA Section 2 Girls Soccer All Star Banquet- December 6, 2015 and received several recognitions. On behalf of the Board of Education, Mrs. Pfau congratulated the group on their achievements.

Carolers from BCS were out sharing holiday songs in the community during the weekend. The community appreciated their efforts and enthusiasm.

10. **BOARD OF EDUCATION ITEMS**

MOTION by Mrs. DeLorenzo, seconded by Mrs. Quigan to adjourn to Executive Session for the purpose of collective bargaining negotiations pursuant to Article 14 of Civil Service Law at 7:08 p.m.

VOTE: ALL FAVORABLE. MOTION CARRIED.

Meeting
Adjourn to
Executive
Session

Mrs. Pfau returned the meeting to regular session at 8:20 p.m.

MOTION by Mr. Schoder, seconded by Mr. Foy to adjourn the meeting at 8:21 p.m.

Meeting
Adjourned

VOTE: ALL FAVORABLE. MOTION CARRIED.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:20 p.m.

Board approved: 1/11/16

Christina E. Dunalewicz
District Clerk