BOLTON CENTRAL SCHOOL BOLTON LANDING, NEW YORK 12814

REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION

SEPTEMBER 19, 2011

BOLTON CENTRAL SCHOOL LIBRARY

MINUTES

1. The meeting was called to order by President Murphy at 6:30 PM. Mrs. Jean Van Auken led the Pledge of Allegiance.

2. ROLL CALL

Present were:

Mr. Thomas Herrick
Mr. Dennis P. Murphy
Mrs. Pamela Quigan
Mrs. Anna Persons
Ms. Kathleen Dennin

Mrs. Debra Peterson Mr. Raymond Ciccarelli, Jr.

Mrs. Angelia Smack

Absent: Mr. Carl Schoder

Public present:

Mrs. Cindy Ackerle
Mr. John Gaddy
Mrs. Melanie Ostberg
Mrs. Jean VanAuken
Mrs. Jennifer Trowbridge
Mrs. Kathleen Field
Mrs. Cindy Kaveny
Mr. Damian Switzer
Mr. Dam Hull
Mrs. Dawn Robinson
Mr. John Miller
Mr. Michael Leone
Mr. James Miller

Mrs. Tina Schroeder Mrs. Victoria O'Donnell (6:42)

Mrs. Lori Jordon (6:55) Mr. Paul Jordon (6:56)

3. MINUTES APPROVAL

MOTION by Mrs. Persons, seconded by Mrs. Pfau that the Board of Education approve the minutes from the meeting held on August 29, 2011 as amended.

Minutes Approval

Page 3 E – add: Mr. Schoder asked about costs - Mr. Ciccarelli reported a \$10,000 savings.

Mrs. Quigan asked if counseling would be available – Mr. Ciccarelli replied that a Fort Ann counselor would be on site.

VÔTE: ALL FAVORABLE. MOTION CARRIED

4. COMMUNICATIONS

- A. Adirondack Area School Boards Association Meeting September 29, 2011
- B. Letter received from Monica Duffy, School Attorney regarding the request from the Board to meet with her to discuss responsibilities and duties of the board in writing contracts and working agreements. October 5, 2011 at 6:30 PM was selected as a date to meet with Ms. Duffy. Any specific questions for the attorney should be sent to Mr. Murphy or Mrs. Smack prior to the meeting.
- C. Legal matters opinions from Ms. Duffy. Mr. Murphy insisted, *with unanimous consensus of the board*, that Mr. Ciccarelli send necessary paperwork, to help finalize these issues, to Ms. Duffy prior to the end of the week.
- D. Letter from APA regarding Asian Clam removal acknowledged and filed.

5. COMMITTEE REPORTS

- A. Policy Mrs. Quigan reported that the committee met on September 7 to review policies for revision/adoption. With the exception of the Reserve Funds, Wellness, and the Purchasing policies, the other policies can be adopted next month. It was noted that "Option A" would be selected on the appropriate policies.
- B. Facilities Mrs. Pfau reported that the committee reviewed the RFP submittals and narrowed the RFP's down to three and then reviewed clarification on fee schedules for evaluation stage.

MOTION by Mrs. Quigan, seconded by Mrs. Peterson that the Board of Education, based upon a recommendation from the Facilities Committee, approve the proposal submitted by Bernier, Carr Associates, Watertown, New York, for evaluative services as defined in the RFP, at a lump sum total of \$9,600, with a Board of Education option to also accept at \$5,000 option for acoustical services.

VOTE: ALL FAVORABLE. MOTION CARRIED.

Mr. Murphy thanked the facilities committee, Mr. Ciccarelli and Ms. Dennin or all their time and effort.

C. Employee Relations – Mr. Murphy, as chairperson of the committee, requested a date to meet with the BCSTA Executive Committee. After ruling out several dates, October 12, 2011 was selected with the meeting being held at 6:30 PM in the Library.

6. <u>INSTRUCTIONAL PROGRAM</u>

A. Report on the opening of the 2011-2012 instructional school year. Opening enrollment was 225. Mr. Switzer reported on welcome back assemblies and thanked Mr. Showers for setting up these events for students.

- B. Review of Regional NYS Testing Program ELA and Mathematics Grade 3-8 Assessments – questions and answers
- C. **MOTION** by Mrs. Quigan, seconded by Mrs. Peterson that the Board of Education appoint Francisco Roca to the position of Athletic Director, effective September 20, 2011. This is a non-probationary appointment position. Salary, pro-rated, as negotiated by the Board of Education. **VOTE: ALL FAVORABLE. MOTION CARRIED.**

D. **MOTION** by Mrs. Quigan, seconded by Mrs. Pfau that the Board. Appts. of Education, by consent agenda, appoint the following for the 2011-2012 Coaches School year:

Class of 2015 Advisor Deborah Gaddy IV Girl Basketball Coach Kelly McWilliams **Edward White** JV Boys Basketball Coach Ryan Volkmann Developmental Boys Basketball Coach Developmental Softball Coach Kristen DePace Basketball Statistician – Girls Jessica Foy Basketball Statistician – Boys Denise Clark MOTION CARRIED. VOTE: ALL FAVORABLE.

E. **MOTION** by Mrs. Persons, seconded by Mrs. Pfau that the Board of Education adopt the APPR Plan for Teachers and Principals, subject to amendment, as regulated by ensuing Commissioner's Regulations and Education Law.

VOTE: ALL FAVORABLE. MOTION CARRIED.

There were several questions and comments from Board members, noting that this plan will be a work in process.

(Mr. Gaddy left the meeting at 7:20.)

7. SCHOOL DISTRICT BUSINESS

A. **MOTION** by Mrs. Persons, seconded by Mrs. Pfau that the Board of Education accept the Treasurer's and Central Treasurer's Report for August, 2011, as presented.

VOTE: ALL FAVORABLE. MOTION CARRIED.

B. **MOTION** by Mrs. Persons, seconded by Mrs. Quigan that the Board of Education revise the 2011-2012 meeting dates, due to clarification by the New York State Education Department regarding the statewide voting date of May 15, 2012, as follows

Change

April 2, 2012 - Regular Meeting May 7, 2012 - Regular Meeting

May 15, 2012 - Special Meeting – 8:15 PM

Mr. Murphy asked that the March meeting date be changed, as well.

March 12, 2012 - Regular Meeting

VOTE: ALL FAVORABLE. MOTION CARRIED.

8. OLD BUSINESS/TABLED RESOLUTIONS

A. **MOTION** by Mrs. Peterson, seconded by Mrs. Quigan that the Board of Education adopt the 2011-2012 School District and Board of Education Goals, as presented.

VOTE: ALL FAVORABLE. MOTION CARRIED.

Mr. Ciccarelli and Mr. Switzer will be presenting objectives, as derived from faculty suggestions, at the October meeting.
Mr. Murphy thanked the Board, Administration, faculty and public members

for their input in developing the goals.

B. Still awaiting recommendations from School District Attorney, Monica Duffy regarding legal matters.

9. PUBLIC COMMENT

- A. Mrs. Jean VanAuken asked what the legal matters were. Mr. Murphy briefly explained: Building Project, EXCEL Aid, and Uhl estate.
- B. Mrs. O'Donnell asked why activity periods were eliminated from student schedules. Mr. Ciccarelli responded that it was a one-year pilot program negotiated with the BCSTA and contract negotiations did not allow for continuation.
- C. Mrs. VanAuken asked if Grade 6 would be getting iPads. Mr. Ciccarelli and Mrs. Trowbridge explained the distribution and implementation process.
- D. Mrs. O'Donnell asked about band uniforms. Ms. Dennin said they should arrive any day soon.
- E. Mr. John Miller requested that the district pay more than \$1,000 if an employee does not take advantage of the school's health insurance.

10. BOARD OF EDUCATION ITEMS

Nothing was brought up.

11. **MOTION** by Mrs. Persons, seconded by Mrs. Pfau to adjourn the meeting at 7:47 PM.

VOTE: ALL FAVORABLE. MOTION CARRIED.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:47 PM.

The board conducted their annual tour of the building.

Angelía M. Smack District Clerk

Goals