BOLTON CENTRAL SCHOOL BOLTON LANDING, NEW YORK 12814

REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION

September 23, 2013

MINUTES

- 1. The meeting was called to order by President Pfau at 6:32p.m.
- 2. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by President Pfau.

3. ROLL CALL

Present:

Mrs. Kathleen Pfau Mrs. Pamela Quigan Mrs. Julie Beebe Mr. Carl Schoder Mr. Raymond Ciccarelli, Jr.

Mr. Thomas Herrick Ms. Kathleen Dennin Mrs. Debra Peterson Ms. Christina Dunalewicz

Public Present:

Mrs. Deborah Andersen
Mr. Glenn Begly
Mrs. Terry Begly
Mrs. Dennis Murphy
Ms. Diane Burkhardt
Mr. Robert Crystal
Ms. Margaret D'Acchille
Mrs. Lori Humiston
Mr. Michael Marcelle
Mr. Dennis Murphy
Mrs. Dawn Robinson
Mrs. Tina Schroeder
Mr. Greg Smith

Mr. John Gaddy Mrs. Jennifer Trowbridge Mr. Michael Graney Mrs. Jean VanAuken

Mr. Daniel Hull

4. MINUTES APPROVAL

MOTION by Mrs. Pfau, seconded by Mrs. Peterson, that the Board of Education approve the minutes from the Regular Meeting held on August 26, 2013 as presented.

VOTE: ALL FAVORABLE MOTION: CARRIED

5. **COMMUNICATIONS**

Letter from Ms. Monica Duffy, Esq. regarding her resignation from the firm of Judge & Duffy- noted and filed.

Minutes Approval

6. **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

- A. Employee Relations– Mrs. Peterson proposed a Committee Meeting date of Wednesday, October the 16th at 6:30pm to meet with Kevin Harren, Labor Relations Specialist and Negotiator, Capital Region BOCES. Meeting date and time to be confirmed.
- B. Policy Update Mrs. Quigan reported the Policy Committee has begun policy review and will meet for further discussion prior to the October meeting.
- C. Facilities –Mr. Schoder reported on the most recent Facilities Committee meeting.

Overall building work is progressing well. The truss work is completed, roof and cupola are completed and finishing work will be completed upon delivery of casement windows. Façade work is still in progress. The fieldwork report is commendable. The hillside plans are awaiting an approvable design within the next two weeks.

In regards to consideration of an emergency generator; further research needs to be finalized. Ron Conover, Bolton Town Supervisor, is intending to partner with Bolton Central School District (BCSD) in the hopes of securing a generator that might enable BCSD to better serve as a needed emergency shelter for the community. A Homeland Security Division grant option was discussed. A formal submission would be due to the State by October 30, 2013.

The contractor who will be sealcoating and striping the parking lot, bus and fire lane should be on site within the next few weeks. BCSD will be compliant to Bolton Landing Fire Department specifications and will keep bus lane markings in mind.

D. Strategic Planning – Mr. Marcelle reported on the outcome of the Strategic Planning Liaison meeting held prior to the September Board of Education meeting. During the Strategic Planning Liaison meeting there was discussion of a draft of the Strategic Plan being taken into consideration for presentation at the November 18th Board of Education meeting. The plan is available for review upon request.

7. **INSTRUCTIONAL PROGRAM**

A. CPSE/CSE Business – Mrs. Begly, School Psychologist, shared the results of the Special Education Committee's meeting and their recommendations for the Board of Education.

MOTION by Mr. Schoder, seconded by Mrs. Peterson that the Board of Education accept the recommendations of the Committee on Special Education as presented.

CPSE/CSE Recs.

VOTE: ALL FAVORABLE MOTION: CARRIED

- B. Mr. Ciccarelli and Mr. Graney presented a report on the opening of the 2013-2014 school year. Opening enrollment is 195 including 17 new students. Opening events were well attended; parents and students alike expressed interest in a successful upcoming school year.
- C. **MOTION** by Mrs. Quigan, seconded by Mrs. Peterson that the Board of Education approve the appointments of Boys Varsity Basketball Coach and Varsity Softball Coach for the 2013-2014 school year as listed. Stipend, duties and conditions are stipulated in the current Collective Bargaining Agreement with the BCSTA.

Boys Varsity Basketball and Varsity Softball Appointments for 2013-2104

Boys Varsity Basketball Coach Varsity Softball Coach Mr. Glenn Begly Ms. Kristen DePace

VOTE: ALL FAVORABLE MOTION: CARRIED

- D. Details regarding the availability of the lower field were presented and discussed. Mr. Jim Girard, President of Landscape Maintenance Corporation, in consultation with the Facilities Committee and related staff, will assess the status of the field on a weekly basis. The sod roots need to be anchored well to the layer below prior to the space being available as an athletic field.
- E. **MOTION** by Mrs. Quigan, seconded by Mrs. Peterson that the Board of Education adopt the revision of Section 2 of NYS PHSAA; allowing eligible students from Schroon Lake Central School to participate on our Varsity Alpine Ski Team for the 2013-2014 season.

Revision of Sec. 2 of NYS PHSAA regarding Alpine Ski team

VOTE: ALL FAVORABLE

MOTION: CARRIED

F. **MOTION** by Mrs. Quigan, seconded by Mrs. Peterson that the Board of Education approve the appointment of Mr. Robert Gautreau to provide services as a Physical Therapist with assignments to be determined by the Committee on Special Education. Remuneration will be \$65 for the first 30 minutes, \$90 for the first hour and \$90 per hour prorated for work in excess of one (1) hour per week. Effective Immediately.

Appointment of Physical Therapist, R. Gautreau

VOTE: ALL FAVORABLE MOTION: CARRIED

8. **SCHOOL DISTRICT BUSINESS**

A. **MOTION** by Mr. Gabriels, seconded by Mrs. Beebe that the Board of Education approve Treasurer's and Central Treasurer's Reports for August 2013, as presented

VOTE: ALL FAVORABLE MOTION: CARRIED

Treasurer Reports

- B. Mr. Ciccarelli discussed Bolton Central School and the Board of Education's potential involvement in the regional advocacy group, "Stand up for Upstate Schools." At this time the advocacy group consists of larger districts having identified a need to form a regional advocacy group to address State Education funding. Funding changes would affect schools across the board. The advocacy group will hold a meeting on Tuesday, October 22, 2013 at which Bolton Central School administrators will be in attendance to learn more. Information is not final and updates will be provided as they become available.
- C. **MOTION** by Mrs. Quigan, seconded by Mrs. Peterson for the Board of Education to approve the appointment of A.E.S. Northeast of Plattsburgh, New York, as consultant to electric generator facility improvement.

Appointment of A.E.S. Northeast of Plattsburgh as consultant

VOTE: ALL FAVORABLE MOTION: CARRIED

D. **MOTION** by Mrs. Quigan and seconded by Mr. Schoder to accept the recommendation that the Board of Education approve the addition of the legal firm Girvin and Ferlazzo, PC as school attorneys for the 2013-2014 school year. Effective immediately.

Addition of Girvin and Felazzo as school attorneys

VOTE: ALL FAVORABLE MOTION: CARRIED

9. **PUBLIC COMMENT**

Mr. Dennis Murphy presented the following items for clarification:

- 1- Reported that the Town of Bolton Planning Board approved Bolton Central School- Parent Teacher Organization's permit to hang a banner promoting a fundraising event annually, from the first week in August to the first week in September, in perpetuity.
- 2- Inquired as to any known costs associated with A.E.S. Northeast of Plattsburgh. Mr. Schoder advised that the company had been on site very recently and a proposal will be reviewed under advisement once it becomes available.
- 3- Requested that last year's Audit report be made available on the school's website.
- 4- As was previously discussed at the July Board of Education meeting, Mr. Murphy sought clarification of the location of baseball field now that the Lower Field project is complete. Mr. Schoder explained that the District anticipates using the field as it was prior to the previous usage (?) for at least the next year.
- 5- Mr. Murphy commended the Board of Education, Bolton Central School officials and the Town of Bolton on their partnership resulting in a smooth completion of the Capital Project.

10. **BOARD OF EDUCATION ITEMS**

A. **MOTION** by Mr. Gabriels, seconded by Mrs. Quigan that the Board of Education adjourn to Executive Session for the purpose of discussing personnel review and the potential addition of goals five and six to the annual District and Board of Education Goals for 2013-2014 as presented by Mr. Michael Marcelle at 7:18pm

VOTE: ALL FAVORABLE. MOTION CARRIED

Mrs. Pfau returned the meeting to regular session at 9:20pm.

MOTION by Mr. Schoder, seconded by Mrs. Peterson, that the Board of Education adjourn the meeting at 9:21p.m.

Meeting Adjourned

Adjourn to Executive

Session

VOTE: ALL FAVORABLE MOTION: CARRIED

The meeting was adjourned at 9:21p.m.

Board approved:______ District Clerk