

BOLTON CENTRAL SCHOOL
BOLTON LANDING, NEW YORK 12814
REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION
January 14, 2019

MINUTES

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

3. **ROLL CALL**

Present:

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

Absent:

Mrs. Tammie DeLorenzo
Mr. Jesse Foy

Public Present:

Mrs. Dawn Robinson
Mr. Chad Shippee
Mr. Daniel Hull

4. **MINUTES APPROVAL**

MOTION by Ms. Calzada seconded by Mrs. Johnson, that the Board of Education approve the minutes from the Regular meeting held on Monday, December 10, 2018 as presented.

VOTE: ALL FAVORABLE MOTION: CARRIED

Minutes
Approval

5. **COMMUNICATIONS**

- A. AASBA Meeting - February 7, 2019 - Queensbury Hotel, 6:00 p.m. Social - 6:45 p.m. Dinner. Please RSVP to the District Clerk by Thursday, January 31st. More information will be provided as it becomes available.
- B. Legislative Breakfast Report – Friday, January 11 – Board President and Superintendent. The event at the Myers Center was well attended by Legislators, Superintendents and Board Presidents. The BOCES CTE program showed a video highlighting the need of skilled workers in the Capital District and how their program tries to address those needs.

6. **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

- A. Facilities Committee- Mrs. Pfau reported that the committee met on Wednesday, December 19th and the group will meet again Thursday, January 17th with affected BCS staff for further discussion and an update on the project. The next Facilities Committee meeting will be held on Monday, February 25th at 8:30 a.m.

B. Policy Committee will meet February 11th at 5:45 p.m.

1. **MOTION** by Mrs. Beebe, seconded by Ms. Calzada, that the Board of Education adopt the following policies as presented:

5551 – Allocation of Title 1, Part A Funds in the District

7133 – Education of Students in Foster Care

VOTE: ALL FAVORABLE MOTION: CARRIED

Policies:
5551, 7133

2. The following policies have been submitted for a first reading:

5140 – Administration of Budget

6213 – Registration and Professional Development

7222 – Diploma or Credential Options for Students with Disabilities

7260 – Designation of Person in Parental Relation

7. **INSTRUCTIONAL PROGRAM**

A. **MOTION** by Mrs. Beebe, seconded by Mrs. Johnson, to accept the recommendations from the Committee on Special Education, as presented.

VOTE: ALL FAVORABLE MOTION: CARRIED

CSE
Committee
Rec.

8. **SCHOOL DISTRICT BUSINESS**

A. **MOTION** by Mrs. Quigan, seconded by Ms. Calzada, to accept the recommendation that the Board of Education approve the Treasurer and Central Treasurer's reports for December 2018, as presented.

VOTE: ALL FAVORABLE MOTION: CARRIED

Treasurer &
Central
Treasurer's
Report

B. **MOTION** by Mrs. Quigan, seconded by Mrs. Beebe, that the Board of Education approve the advocacy priorities for the 2019 Legislative Session as presented.

2019
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 and contractual obligations; and

WHEREAS, our School District's free and reduced lunch rate has increased from 19% to 32% 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

- **Adjust the weighting factor for Free and Reduced Lunch from .65 to .75-.80 to reflect large increases in this population.**
- **Maintain the "SAVE Harmless" provision.**
- **Provide a minimum increase in foundation aid to all school districts.**
- **Review and Update the Foundation Amount - currently \$6,557.00 per pupil.**

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. Building Aid for Small Capital Projects

- **Increase the threshold for base year capital outlay expenses from the current amount, established in 2002 from \$100,000 to \$250,000 to assist districts in making critical capital improvements.**

4. SMART Schools Bond Act

- **The process for distributing this funding has been slow and unpredictable, making it difficult for schools to take full advantage of this funding opportunity. To ensure that the funding is available in a timely manner for schools, the process must be improved and expedited by establishing firm deadlines by which projects are approved and funded.**

VOTE: ALL FAVORABLE. MOTION CARRIED.

- C. **MOTION** by Mrs. Quigan, seconded by Ms. Calzada, that the Board of Education approve the corrective action plan for the 2018 Independent Audit Report, as presented.

VOTE: ALL FAVORABLE MOTION: CARRIED

- D. **MOTION** by Mrs. Quigan, seconded by Mrs. Johnson, that the Board of Education accept the Office of the State Comptroller Audit #2018M-246 and Corrective Action Plan, as presented.

VOTE: ALL FAVORABLE MOTION: CARRIED

Mrs. Pfau thanked the Kathleen Dennin and Dawn Robinson for their work to ensure the financial well-being of the District.

- E. Presentation of Rollover Budget

Ms. Dennin presented a rollover budget to the Board and discussed the details of the enclosed summary sheet. New York State has not provided state aid runs at this time. The information will be updated as more details become available. Mr. Graney encouraged Board members to reach out to he or Ms. Dennin for specific questions prior to the Budget workshops.

Approval -
Corrective
Action Plan
for 2018
Independent
Audit Report

Office of the
State
Comptroller
Audit #2018M-
246 and
Corrective
Action Plan

Monday, March 25th will be the date of the first budget workshop. The time will be decided at the February meeting.

- F. **MOTION** by Mrs. Beebe, seconded by Mrs. Quigan that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent grant Mr. Jonathon DeLappa who holds a Professional Certification in the Music area and is hereby granted tenure in the Music tenure area effective on February 11, 2019, as presented.

J. DeLappa
Tenure

VOTE: ALL FAVORABLE MOTION: CARRIED

- G. **MOTION** by Mrs. Quigan, seconded by Mrs. Johnson that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, appoint Andrew J. Belkevich to the position of Substitute Bus Driver, pending satisfactory pre-employment screening.

A. Belkevich –
Sub. Bus
Driver Appt.

VOTE: ALL FAVORABLE MOTION: CARRIED

- H. **MOTION** by Mrs. Quigan, seconded by Mrs. Johnson that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, appoint Brian Cleavland to the position of Substitute Cleaner, effective immediately.

B. Cleavland–
Sub. Cleaner
Appt.

VOTE: ALL FAVORABLE MOTION: CARRIED

- I. **MOTION** by Mrs. Quigan, seconded by Ms. Calzada that the Board of Education approve the payment of a stipend to Mr. Charles Robinson in the amount of \$450.00 to coincide with the absence of the School Maintenance Mechanic, Charles Morel from November 13, 2018 until December 13, 2018.

C. Robinson –
Stipend

VOTE: ALL FAVORABLE MOTION: CARRIED

9. **PUBLIC COMMENT**

No Public comment.

10. **BOARD OF EDUCATION COMMENT**

No Board of Education comment.

11. **BOARD OF EDUCATION ITEMS**

MOTION by Ms. Calzada, seconded by Mrs. Quigan, to adjourn to Executive Session for the purpose of discussion of the employment history of a particular person at 7:04 p.m.

Meeting
Adjourn to
Executive
Session

VOTE: ALL FAVORABLE. MOTION CARRIED.

Mrs. Pfau returned the meeting to regular session at 7:12 p.m.

MOTION by Mrs. Quigan, seconded by Mrs. Johnson, to adjourn the meeting at 7:12 p.m.

Meeting
Adjourned

VOTE: ALL FAVORABLE. MOTION CARRIED.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:12 p.m.

Board approved:

District Clerk