

**BYRON-BERGEN CENTRAL SCHOOL
BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING
Thursday, October 20, 2016
7:00 p.m. – Professional Development Room**

5:30 p.m. – Tour of Jr./Sr. High School

- Call to Order:** The meeting was called to order at 6:20 p.m. by President D. List.
- Members Present:** D. List, Y. Ace-Wagoner, W. Forsyth, K. Carlson, T. Menzie
J. VanValkenburg, A. Phillips (arrived at 7:09 p.m.)
- Members Absent:** None
- Also Present:** M. Edwards, W. Snyder, B. Meister, P. McGee, T. Schulte, R. White and
19 members of the audience.
- Executive Session:** It was moved by W. Forsyth and seconded by J. VanValkenburg to enter
executive session at 6:21 p.m. to discuss the medical, financial, credit or
employment history of a particular person or corporation, or matters
leading to the appointment, employment, promotion, demotion,
discipline, suspension, dismissal or removal of a particular person or
corporation. The motion passed 6-0.
- Return to Public Session:** It was moved by W. Forsyth and seconded Y. Ace-Wagoner by to return
to public session at 6:43 p.m. The motion passed 6-0.
- President's Report:** D. List wanted to thank the Elementary Student Council for coming out
and giving a presentation on what has been happening over at their
school. She wanted to congratulate all the sports teams who made it to
sectionals. She wanted to let the Board members know that the
Legislative Breakfast will be on February 4, 2017. The Board took a tour
of the Jr./Sr. High School and it was acceptable.
- Principals' Comments:** Jason Blom, BBFA representative, presented the Board with a
little something from the entire faculty to show their gratitude for all that
the Board members do in our learning community.
- P. McGee reported:**
- He congratulated the Elementary Student Council for their amazing
performance and the talent they showed.
 - He thanked the Board of Education for all that they do and the tough
decisions they have to make and said that our school has "never not
felt supported" by them in his time here. He presented the Board

with a potted plant that Sandy Auer and Faline Tyler helped put together.

- He had an update on some the agricultural courses they are trying to add to the curriculum. Jeff Parnapy is certified in agriculture and is helping to point them in the right direction. Andrea Feeney spent some time at an agricultural conference where she learned about the many options students have by going down this pathway.
- The first Parent University Night is being held tonight, October 20th, and the focus was on financial aid.
- Last Tuesday the 8th Grade class visited the Buffalo and Erie County Naval and Military Park where they had a hands-on experience with history. The 8th Grade class went on guided tours given by U.S. Veterans and were able to see many artifacts. He received positive feedback from the students who went on the tour.
- He announced the first "Students of the Month":
 - o Joshua Fleming (8th grade) nominated by Mr. Tallman
 - o Bryce Yockel (9th grade) nominated by Mrs. Luksch and Mr. Fitzpatrick
 - o Erin Parnapy (10th grade) nominated by Mrs. McJury
- He wanted to thank all the sports teams for their hard work and dedication; and good luck to all that are going on to Sectionals.

B. Meister reported:

- He thanked all the Board members for all that they do and what they make possible for our students, faculty, etc. He presented them with a plate done by Mrs. Gardner's class where each student's thumb print was turned into a "bee" and also honey sticks.
- He thanked the Bus Drivers for all that they do to keep our kids safe. They are a key part of our District since they are the first and very last ones our students see.
- Last Friday he went to the Empire State Games for the Physically Challenged at The College at Brockport to cheer our students on.

T. Schulte reported:

- He thanked the Board for all the long and hard volunteer hours they put in.
- He thanked Drew Doll and his transportation team for the early and late hours they put in to make sure our kids get to school on time and safely.
- Einstein Days are going well; the students are working with Legos, 3-D printing, documentaries, etc.
- Tom and a couple students went to the "Made in New York" Expo at R.I.T. which was a great learning tool for the students who attended.

- The entire pilot program has finally been rolled out and has had a lot of positive feedback on it. There will be some bumps in the road but the team is ready. Each classroom in the elementary will be given four (4) Chromebooks so teachers can work with the younger students on them.

Academic Focus: None

Student Council Report: The Elementary Student Council performed a skit for the Board. They talked about what was happening in the elementary. They have twenty-four (24) students in the Student Council and they meet every day to do the morning announcements, discuss student issues, advocate for the students, raise funds, and put on incredible programs. They had a Character Education Assembly last month where the focus was respect. Every year they put on a huge fundraiser at the beginning of the year to raise funds to help with activities such as the Fun Fair, Movie Night, Roller Skating, Cookies with Santa, and the Haunted Fall Festival (next Friday). The 5th and 6th Grade classes are planning their NYC trip and are selling Christmas wreaths and centerpieces. In September they put on a Math Carnival where students learned and worked on math problems while being active in the gym. Last week they had their Fire Safety Day and talked about fire safety and toured the ambulances and fire trucks. Next week is Red Ribbon Week and Spirit Week.

Superintendent's Comments: M. Edwards highlighted the new business to be added to the agenda: the approval of the Property Tax Refund for Daniel & Carol Loewke, the approval of the Lien Release Settlement on LMI Property in the amount of \$2,500, and the approval of the Erie 1 BOCES New Policy Manual Development Service. He also made comment that the Video Instructional Coaches Diana Walther, Debbie Slocum, and Amanda Cook have started their very own electronic newsletter.

Consent Agenda: It was moved by J. VanValkenburg and seconded by A. Phillips that the following consent agenda be approved:

Approval of Minutes

October 6, 2016

Financial Matters

General Fund Bills

Trust and Agency Fund Bills

Federal Fund Bills

School Lunch Bills

Personnel Matters

Resignations/Retirement:

None

Approvals:

Assistant Swim Coach for 2016-2017 School Year – Kayleigh
D'Angelo

Field Trip – Outdoor Adventure Club – Science – Costa Rica –
April 2019 during Spring Recess (8-10 days)

Teacher Aide Substitute PK-6 – Donna Cocking

Long-Term Substitute Art Teacher – Megan Swan

(eff. Oct 24, 2016 – January 27, 2017)

Parental Leave of Absence – Teacher Tiffany Luksch

(eff. December 7, 2016- January 24, 2017)

CSE/CPSE Review

CSE Recommendations – Case # 2487

CPSE Recommendations – Cases # 3994 and #4080

The motion passed 7-0.

Policy Committee Update: Date set for December 1, 2016 at 4:30 p.m.

Facilities Committee Update: Trying to set up a meeting with them to proceed forward.

Budget Committee Update: None

Audit Committee Update: None

SOAR Update: None

Positive Recognition: Mickey and the Board of Education recognized the Bus Drivers for all the hard work they do to make sure our students arrive safely to school and get home safely. They are a very caring group of people who are the first and last ones to see our students.

**A Resolution of the
Byron-Bergen Central School District
Board of Education
October 20, 2016**

WHEREAS, The Byron-Bergen Central School District strives to challenge, engage, and nurture our students; and

WHEREAS, the school bus drivers are usually the first people in the morning and the last people at the end of the school day that many of our students see; and

WHEREAS, our bus drivers are uniquely responsible for the safety of our students while on their way to and from our campus, to alternative educational venues (BOCES programs), athletic events, extracurricular activities, as well as while on the many field trips taken throughout the school year; and

WHEREAS, our Byron-Bergen bus drivers take great strides to ensure that students are able to get to the Byron-Bergen learning community safely to afford them the opportunity to achieve great things and have a worthwhile learning experience.

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education appreciates the efforts of all of our Byron-Bergen bus drivers who, with dedication and experience in transporting our students safely to our facilities, help make our community confident that their children will be well taken care of while riding to and from our campus. The Board wishes all our drivers a wonderful *'School Bus Safety Week'* from October 17-21, 2016, and thank them for their service to our students.

Approval -
New Course
Proposal – HED-205
Responding to
Emergencies

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, it was moved by J. VanValeknburg and seconded by K. Carlson to approve the New Course Proposal – HED-205 Responding to Emergencies. The motion passed 7-0.

Approval –
Policy #5620 –
Facilities:

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, it was moved by A. Phillips and seconded by T. Menzie to approve the Policy #5620 – Facilities: Inspection, Operation and Maintenance (1st Reading). The

Inspection,
Operation and
Maintenance
(1st Reading)

motion passed 7-0.

Approval –
Policy # 5820 –
Surveillance
Cameras in the
School District
and on School Buses
(1st Reading)

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, it was moved by A. Phillips and seconded by T. Menzie to approve the Policy #5820 – Surveillance Cameras in the School District and on School Buses (1st Reading). The motion passed 7-0.

Approval –
Policy # 7260 –
Rights of
Non-Custodial
Parents (1st Reading)

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, it was moved by A. Phillips and seconded by T. Menzie to approve the Policy #7260 – Rights of Non-Custodial Parents (1st Reading). The motion passed 7-0.

Approval –
Policy # 7513.1 –
Students with Life-
Threatening Health
Conditions (1st Reading)

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, it was moved by A. Phillips and seconded by T. Menzie to approve the Policy # 7513.1 – Students with Life-Threatening Health Conditions (1st Reading). The motion passed 7-0.

Approval –
Property Tax
Refund – Daniel &
Carol Loewke

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, it was moved by W. Forsyth and seconded by Y. Ace-Wagoner to approve the Property Tax Refund for Daniel & Carol Loewke. The motion passed 7-0.

Approval –
Lien Release
Settlement on
LMI Property
In the amount
Of \$2,500

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, it was moved by W. Forsyth and seconded by J. VanValkenburg to approve the Lien Release Settlement on LMI Property in the amount of \$2,500. The motion passed 7-0.

Approval –
Erie 1 BOCES
New Policy Manual
Development
Service

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, it was moved by A. Phillips and seconded by Y. Ace-Wagoner to approve the Erie 1 BOCES New Policy Manual Development Service. The motion passed 7-0.

Comments from the Audience:

A parent expressed her concern about the many sports injuries this year and the possibility again of looking into a trainer to help the athletes out.

Information/Announcements/Reports:

None

Requests Requiring Board Consideration:

None

Review of Next Meeting's Agenda:

Policy Committee Update – December 1, 2016 at 4:30 p.m.

Facilities Committee Update

Budget Committee Update

Audit Committee Update

SOAR Update

Positive Recognition

Adjournment:

It was moved by Y. Ace-Wagoner and seconded by W. Forsyth to adjourn the meeting at 8:37 p.m. The motion passed 7-0.