

**BYRON-BERGEN CENTRAL SCHOOL
BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING
Thursday, December 21, 2017
7:00 p.m. – Professional Development Room**

- Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 7:01 p.m. by President D. List.
- Members Present: D. List, Y. Ace-Wagoner, K. Carlson, W. Forsyth, T. Menzie, A. Phillips, J. VanValkenburg
- Members Absent: None
- Also Present: M. Edwards, P. McGee, T. Schulte, B. Meister, L. Prinz, D. Moscicki, R. Stevens, and 15 members of the audience.
- President's Report: D. List said goodbye to Amanda and wished her the best of luck at her new job. She talked about how she helped pack food baskets at the fire hall last week and is always amazed at how many people come out to help. She thanked everyone who donated their time on Saturday to help deliver the presents and food baskets. She said that the policy meeting went well yesterday and looked at a new policy and a few revised policies. Debi and Yvonne met with Ken and Aaron about the holiday fund and they said their biggest need was for things like boxes, tissue paper, black garbage bags, etc. Debi wanted to discuss with the Board that, perhaps that could possibly be their donation from them each year. She just wanted to remind all the Administrators that January 5th was her holiday party.
- Principals' Comments:
- T. Schulte reported:
- He thanked Amanda for all her help with the Technology Plan and the PD Plan and wished her luck on her new adventure.
 - They are working on transitioning to the new all call system and hope to have it launched by January 1, 2018.
- P. McGee reported:
- He said that they had great participation in Spirit Week this week and even had a 96.6% attendance rate.
 - He wished Amanda good luck and thanked her for all she has done for the District while she was here.
 - He talked about how they have changed the academic eligibility plan from last year and are trying something new where they are now tailoring the plan to each individual student and are involving the students, parents, coaches, counselors, etc. So far it is working out great.
 - They handed out about 120 Scholar Cards for the first quarter.

B. Meister reported:

- He talked about the two sing-a-longs that the elementary students put on. They had UPK through 3rd grade in the morning and had 4th through 6th grade in the afternoon. There was a large number of parents, grandparents, etc. that come out to show their support.
- There was a lot of great things going on this past few weeks and it helped make the kids feel special (sometimes very needed around this time of year).
- He thanked Amanda for all the things she has done with Elementary School and wished her the best of luck at her new job.

D. Moscicki reported:

- She said that they have had several trainings this past month in her department.
- Stephanie Burns is helping the elementary team work on writing IEP's, etc.
- They have two new ELL students that came from Puerto Rico and are working with them.
- They had another Autism parent training and it went very well.
- They finally have a placement for a home instruction student.
- She presented Amanda with some new artwork for her office and wished her the best of luck.

Business
Administrator
Comments:

L. Prinz talked about Rachel's tax collector report and highlighted that as our first year accepting credit cards as payments we took in over \$30,000 on them. We will more than likely continue with this next year as well. She also made mention that on Wednesday, December 27, 2017, we will have no power to the building from about 6:00 a.m. – 8:00 a.m.

Academic Focus:

Mrs. Haller came with several students to talk about the PageTurners group. This is her third year doing PageTurners and she loves that it is fostering lifelong readers and helping them with teamwork and being better communicators. They had their first competition on December 7, 2017 and they placed second; they lost first place by one point. They currently have 33 members in the two groups, grade 4 and grades 5/6. Each student is to read 10 books and 2 poems and will be questioned about them at the competition. Students are introduced to many different genres and some they wouldn't probably pick. She had each student talk about why they joined and what they liked about being in PageTurners. Their next competition is on March 20, 2018 at 9:30 a.m. here at Byron-Bergen.

Student Council
Report:

None

Reports: None

Superintendent's Comments: M. Edwards talked about the Legislative Breakfast that will be on February 2, 2018 at 8:30 a.m. at Geneseo Central High School. He said that they are trying a new set up this year where board members and administrators will have the chance to get up close and personal as they discuss the upcoming legislative session. He talked about the 180 days changing to hours and that it is only a proposal that it is still being discussed. The 180 Day Committee has outlined their proposed regulations where it starts to replace the daily minimum hours required with an annual aggregate minimum hours requirement of the same length. It highlights things like flexibility for non-instructional hours, opportunities for extra instructional time to count, superintendent's conferences, snow days/other emergencies, Regents exams and rating day, and collective bargaining agreements. He reiterated that this was again just a proposal and no action has been taken yet.

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

Approval of Previous Minutes

December 7, 2017

Financial Matters

General Fund Bills

School Lunch Bills

Federal Fund Bills

Trust & Agency (TA) Fund Bills

Trust & Agency (TE) Fund Bills

Capital Fund Bills

2017-2018 Property Tax Collection Report

Personnel Matters

Resignations/Retirement:

Resignations:

Elementary School Assistant Principal – Amanda Cook (Eff. 12/28/17)

Approvals:

Contract Bus Driver – Sue Quackenbush (Eff. 1/2/18)

Substitute Bus Driver – Cindy Muchko (Eff. 1/2/18)

JV Girls Basketball Coach – Mariah LaSpina (Eff. 1/16/18)

Volunteer Coach – Jay Wolcott

Tenure Appointment – Andrea Feeney (Eff. 3/9/18)

Andrea Feeney, who is permanently certified in the area of School

Counselor is hereby granted tenure in the School Counselor tenure area effective March 9, 2018.

CPSE

CSE Recommendations – Case # 3388, # 4080

The motion passed 7-0.

Policy Committee Update: They had a meeting December 20th at 3:30 p.m. There will be one new policy and four revised policies for a first reading next meeting.

Facilities Committee Update: Lori and Mickey dropped off the packet to get the Capital Project moving.

Budget Committee Update: None

Audit Committee Update: None

SOAR Update: January 25, 2018 meeting at 7:00 p.m. at Cal-Mum's District Office

Positive Recognition: None

Approve Moving BOE Meeting from January 18, 2018 to January 17, 2018 Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, it was moved by Y. Ace-Wagoner and seconded by W. Forsyth to approve the Moving of the BOE Meeting January 18, 2018 BOE to January 17, 2018. The motion passed 7-0.

Comments from the Audience: None

Information/Announcements/Reports: GVSBA Winter Institute #1

Requests Requiring Board Consideration: None

Review of Next Meeting's Agenda:
Policy Committee Update
Facilities Committee Update
Budget Committee Update
Audit Committee Update

SOAR Update
Positive Recognition

Adjournment: It was moved by W. Forsyth and seconded by A. Phillips to adjourn the meeting at 8:15 p.m. The motion passed 7-0.