BYRON-BERGEN CENTRAL SCHOOL BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING

Thursday, February 11, 2021 5:00 p.m. – Jr./Sr. High Cafeteria

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 5:00 p.m. by D. List.

Members Present: D. List, Y. Ace-Wagoner, K. Carlson, W. Forsyth, T. Menzie (arrived at

5:02 p.m.), A. Phillips

Members Absent: J. VanValkenburg

Also Present: S. Bischoping, L. Prinz, R. Stevens, P. McGee, B. Brown, B. Meister

R. Manfreda

Oath of Office: Oath of Office Administered to Interim Superintendent Scott A.

Bischoping by District Clerk Rachel Stevens.

President's Report: D. List reported that she met with J. Faro to survey the faculty on what

they are looking for in this Superintendent search; she stated that the Board and Faculty Association are on the same page. She was glad to see students in the building for sports. She thanked all the Board members who attended the Legislative Breakfast via Zoom or in person; most schools reported that internet issues seemed to be the biggest issue

schools and students are facing.

Principals'
Comments:

P. McGee reported:

- Currently there are 51 full remote students and the school is working on bringing them back to in person learning.
- Student performance while in a hybrid model is going well; it is not much different than a "normal" school year as there are always a few students who struggle.
- The counselors are working on student schedules for the next school year.
- The National Honor Society and National Junior Honor Society advisors met and are planning something for the spring.

B. Meister reported:

- Three more students returned to in-person learning, the Elementary has approximately 40 students who are currently fully remote. If any parent wants their child to return to in-person learning they can contact Mr. Meister to discuss it.
- The Elementary School is celebrating Black History Month and Valentine's Day during February. The students created an "I had a

- dream" picture and they were displayed in the front foyer. The 4th and 5th graders had to have a Black History recognition day virtually this year due to COVID-19.
- The SEL team will be sending postcards home to students to let them know they are special.

B. Brown reported:

- The Jr./Sr. High Student Council put on a "heart" scavenger hunt for students and faculty received a treat in their mailboxes.
- Grade level days are going well; last week 9th grade came in and yesterday 10th grade came in. Students are working on team building, attending band and chorus, and learning hands-on CPR. The next set of grade level days will be after the February break starting with 11th and then 12th grade.

Director Of Instructional Services Comments: R. Manfreda reported on the Superintendent Conference Day in January, which went very well. Elementary assessments were done to see where the students are academically and there has been a lot of growth from the beginning of the school year to the end of the first semester. Virtual professional development was provided to teachers for students who need a little extra help. In the Jr./Sr. High, grading practices were reviewed. There was discussion regarding why we grade and do we have to grade everything. R. Manfreda handed out and discussed a packet on digital literacy standards that the Board had asked about at a prior meeting.

Business Administrator Comments: L. Prinz reported the Division of Budget announced that schools will be receiving the 20% of aid which was previously withheld. These monies should be received by March 31st. There is still money left over from Phase 1 of the Smart Bond; the remaining balance will be used to purchase cameras for the Elementary and some of the Natatorium. To finish the Natatorium an extra \$10,000 is needed, which will be aided by SED as long as it meets the safety and security guidelines. For Phase 2 some possibilities for improvements are cameras for the bus garage, soccer stadium, door locks in the High School, and telephone system upgrades. A meeting will be scheduled to discuss and finalize what to do for Phase 2. The next Capital Project is anticipated to be voted on by the end of 2021 with a construction start of 2022-2023. The project would be approximately \$9.5 million with no added cost to tax payers. The SEIU Association had five employees take advantage of the resignation incentive. The Governor's January state aid proposal was handed out to the Board members along with the proposed tax levy cap calculation.

Academic Focus: None

Student Council

None

Superintendent's Comments:

S. Bischoping stated that for the March 18th Board of Education meeting a resolution will be brought up for approval for a calendar change of the Juneteenth day from Monday the 21st to Friday the 18th since the holiday is on Saturday. He said he will continue to communicate on being able to bring all grades back to five days a week. We received our first seven slots for the COVID-19 vaccine and the selected people will be going to GCC on Friday; more slots will hopefully come in the later weeks. He discussed with the Board that for next year's Board of Education meeting dates from November through March there will only be one meeting a month scheduled and the Board was okay with that. The draft for the 2021-2022 Instructional Calendar is almost complete; we are still waiting on the final BOCES calendar to set some dates. He discussed the need to talk about the next Capital Project for the district with a possible vote to go out in the fall. There are three new additions to the agenda under New Business: 12.4 Approval of Substitute Teacher (Gr. 6-12) – Trey Nadolinski, 12.5 Approval of Change to "Schedule B" on Reorganizational Meeting (Data Protection Officer), and 12.6 Discussion – Public Input.

Consent Agenda:

It was moved by W. Forsyth and seconded by T. Menzie that the following consent agenda be approved:

The Board asked that some of the Extracurricular Advisor stipends be looked at since they are starting more than half way through the school year and that some may need to be pro-rated.

Approval of Minutes

January 14, 2021 January 28, 2021

Financial Matters

General Fund Bills: Warrant A-40, Wire # 99140, \$11,286.92

Warrant A-41, Ck. 20292-20293, \$836.77 Warrant A-42, Ck. 20294-20342, \$686,495.39 Warrant A-44, Ck. 20343-20348, \$10,042.20 Warrant A-45, Ck. 20349-20384, \$66,923.45

School Lunch Fund Bills: Warrant C-12, Ck. # 200650-200655, \$14,120.20

Warrant C-13, Ck. # 200656-200658, \$5,062.90

Federal Fund Bills: Warrant F-10, Ck. 400298-400302, \$11,040.09

Warrant F-11, Ck. # 400303, \$44.47 Warrant F-12, Ck. # 400304, \$3,442.29 Trust & Agency Fund Bills: Warrant TA-19, Wire # 1328-1331,

Ck. # 300755-300763, \$380,618.70 Warrant TA-20, Wire # 1332-1337, Ck. # 300764-300772, \$406,700.45 Warrant TA-21, Ck. # 300773, \$1,000.00

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Personnel Matters

Resignations/Retirement:

Retirement – Teacher Aide – Cynthia McGowan (Eff. 6/26/21)

Resignation – Custodian – Christopher Spencer (Eff. 2/3/21)

Retirement – Cleaner – Edward McMahon (Eff. 6/29/21)

Retirement – Cleaner – Neil Antinore (Eff. 6/30/21)

Retirement – Custodian – Donald Myers (Eff. 6/30/21)

Retirement – Cleaner – Sandra Johnson (Eff. 6/30/21)

Approvals:

Substitute Teacher (Grade 6-12) - Tim Riley

Child of Employee Rebecca Logan (Jack Logan) to Attend BBCS

Tuition Free

2020-2021 Winter Coach/Advisor Appointments

Girls Basketball

Varsity – Rick Krzewinski

JV – Nicholas Muhlenkamp

Modified - Mariah LaSpina

Boys Basketball

Varsity – Roxanne Noeth

JV – Chris Chapman

Modified – Roxanne Noeth

Wrestling

Varsity - Matthias Ellis

JV - Josh Brabon

Modified – Rich Hannan

Substitute Teacher Aide (PK-6) – Isabelle Stevens

Substitute Teacher Aide (6-12) - Kristina Bird

2020-2021 Advisors

Spring Trap Club

Mark Baubie

John Crandall

2020-2021 Elementary Extracurricular Advisors

Elementary Student Council Advisor

Science Fair Coordinator

Ken Rogoyski Craig Schroth

Elementary Yearbook Advisors

Taylor Haupt Colleen Hardenbrook

Substitute Cleaner – Jane Utter

Substitute Cleaner – Makayla Oderkirk Cleaner – Laurisa Dale (Eff. 2/16/21)

Miscellaneous Matters

None

CSE/CPSE Review

CSE: Case # 2487, # 2557, # 2662, # 2759, # 2777, # 2840, # 2878, # 3125, # 3227, # 3411, # 3672, # 3686, # 3973, # 4152, # 4380, # 4614

CPSE: Case # 4504

The motion passed 6 Yes, 0 No

Policy Committee

Update:

Need to set a meeting date

Facilities

Committee Update:

Need to set a meeting date

Budget Committee

Update:

None

Audit Committee

Update:

None

SOAR Update: None

Positive

None

Recognition:

Approval –
Policy # 3421 –
Title IX and Sex
Discrimination,
Policy # 5670 –

Records
Management,
and Policy # 5676
– Privacy and

Upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent, it was moved by A. Phillips and seconded by Y. Ace-wagoner to approve Policy # 3421 – Title IX and Sex Discrimination, Policy #5670 – Records Management; and Policy # 5676 – Privacy and Security for Student Data and Teacher and

Principal Data.

The motion passed 6 Yes, 0 No.

Security for Student Data and Teacher and Principal Data

Approval – MOA between Byron-Bergen Central School And Byron-Bergen

Non-Teaching Service Personnel Upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent, it was moved by W. Forsyth and seconded by K. Carlson to approve the MOA between Byron-Bergen Central School and Byron-Bergen Non-Teaching Service Personnel.

The motion passed 6 Yes, 0 No.

Approval – Willett Builders Inc. for 2020-2021 Capital Outlay

Exception **Project**

Upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent, it was moved by Y. Ace-Wagoner and seconded by K. Carlson to approve Willett Builders Inc. for the 2020-2021 Capital Outlay Exception Project. The motion passed 6 Yes, 0 No.

Approval – Substitute Teacher (Gr. 6-12) -Trey Nadolinski Upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent, it was moved by A. Phillips and seconded by T. Menzie to approve the Substitute Teacher (Gr. 6-12) – Trey Nadolinski. The motion passed 6 Yes, 0 No.

Approval – Changes to "Schedule B"

On

Reorganizational Meeting (Data Protection Officer)

Upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent, it was moved by A. Phillips and seconded by Y. Ace-Wagoner to approve the Changes to "Schedule B" on the Reorganizational Meeting (Data Protection Officer) to Jennifer Back.

> **BE IT RESOLVED** that the following Revised Schedule B of designations be approved effective February 12, 2021 through the remainder of the 2020-2021 school year.

Schedule B Designations

Data Protection Officer

Jennifer Back

The motion passed 6 Yes, 0 No.

Discussion -Public Input

The Board discussed keeping the Public Input section on the agenda. Public Input is not a requirement during a Board meeting. The Community can livestream the meetings, but as of now do not have the ability to comment. The Board would like to discuss this further at a later date. They talked about allowing the public to comment, but will have to work out some of the kinks. The "Public Comment Page" the community member filled out when meetings were in person may have to be adjusted if the COVID-19 restrictions are still in place and meetings are closed to the public.

Information/Announcements/Reports:

None

Requests Requiring Board Consideration:

None

Review of Next Meeting's Agenda:

Policy Committee Update
Facilities Committee Update
Budget Committee Update
Audit Committee Update
SOAR Committee Update
Positive Recognition

Adjournment: It was moved by W. Forsyth and seconded by Y. Ace-Wagoner to adjourn

the meeting at 6:30 p.m.

The motion passed 6 Yes, 0 No.