

**BYRON-BERGEN CENTRAL SCHOOL
BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING
Tuesday, May 12, 2020
5:00 p.m. – Zoom Meeting**

- Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 5:01 p.m. by President D. List.
- Members Present: D. List, Y. Ace-Wagoner, K. Carlson, W. Forsyth (arrived at 5:14 p.m.), T. Menzie, A. Phillips, and J. VanValkenburg
- Members Absent: None
- Also Present: M. Edwards, L. Prinz, R. Stevens, P. McGee, B. Meister, B. Brown, R. Manfreda, R. Caldwell
- President's Report: D. List applauded everyone for their hard work both in and outside of school.
- Principals' Comments:
- P. McGee reported:
 - The first annual Senior Parade on campus is scheduled for June 4th at 5 p.m. to recognize the senior class and to hand out cap and gowns. The School Resource Office will be able to get part of West Bergen Road closed down so the District can do this.
 - Graduation is still scheduled for June 27th so there is still time to make changes if necessary. Other plans are being discussed if graduation can't happen like normal.
 - A letter was sent out to parents about the pass/fail system being implemented for the rest of the school year.
 - B. Meister reported:
 - Elementary School faculty are scheduled to come into the building to pack up the students' belongings. Thursday, May 14th, parents/guardians will be able to pick up their student's belongings for grades UPK-5 at the Elementary School and 6th grade at the Jr./Sr. High from the hours of 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. If that doesn't work for some, alternate arrangements can be made.
 - There are plans in the works for the 6th grade moving up ceremony and information will be available shortly.
 - B. Brown reported:
 - Report cards will look a little different for the end of the year. The 3rd and 4th quarter standards will not be graded and will be a narrative only.

- The Report Card Committee is talking about the next step and what the plans are for next year's report cards and how they will look. They are possibly looking into trimesters.

Director Of
Instructional
Services
Comments:

B. Manfreda met with D. Walther and D. Slocum, our Instructional Coaches, and talked about the awareness of next year and some students possibly needing extra teaching to get them caught up to where they need to be. The Instructional Technology Team meets tomorrow to discuss the NYS Education Law 2D that comes into play on July 1st; she feels the District is in a good place to have that in compliance. The team will be discussing the proposal the Governor talked about where NYS is looking to team up with Bill and Melinda Gates to Reimagine Education. What is technology going to look like in education and how Byron-Bergen imagines it looking and supplying professional development for teachers so they feel equipped to be able to do their jobs.

Business
Administrator
Comments:

L. Prinz stated the Governor keeps throwing districts for a loop. Everyone is waiting to see if there will be additional cuts in state aid. The hope is to hear by Friday if not the District will move forward and adopt a budget with state aid being flat. She talked about needing a special Board of Education meeting next week to adopt the budget. The Governor signed executive order 202.26 which mandated that all voting is to be done by absentee ballot which is a huge cost for the district. Byron-Bergen does not have a list of registered voters so we have been working on compiling a list from registered voters of each county, last year's poll list, parent list from our student software, and our students who are 18 years old by the vote date. If you are not on the list and didn't receive a ballot, you can call the school to obtain one. ABS, the company who prints our tax bills, is going to provide the service of printing and mailing out absentee ballots. The budget hearing is set for May 28th. The budget vote is June 9th and the polls close at 5:00 p.m.

Academic Focus:

None

Student Council
Report:

None

Superintendent's
Comments:

M. Edwards stated that on May 18th there will be a special Board of Education meeting to adopt the budget. He would like the Budget Committee to have a meeting on Sunday to discuss a few things before the adoption of the budget on Monday. He talked about the Reimagine Education proposal by the Governor and said that the advisory committee of 25 members doesn't include a single member of rural schools. He reached out to David Little from the Rural Schools

Association and they are trying to advocate and get representation so our voices can be heard.

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

Approval of Previous Minutes

April 27, 2020

Financial Matters

General Fund Bills: Warrant A-65, Ck. # 19514-19517, \$7,746.47

Warrant A-66, Ck. # 19518-19549, \$37,908.03

Warrant A-68, Ck. # 19550-19553, \$13,374.28

Warrant A-70, Ck. # 19554-19584, \$587,736.61

School Lunch Fund Bills: Warrant C-22, Ck. # 200529-200534, \$3,945.26

Warrant C-23, Ck. # 200535-200539, \$15,674.10

Federal Fund Bills: Warrant F- 21, Ck. # 400263, \$840.00

Capital Fund Bills: Warrant H-19, Ck. # 2533, \$3,010.00

Warrant H-20, Ck. #2534-2539, \$735,680.82

Trust & Agency Fund Bills: Warrant TA-37, Wire # -1244-1249,

Ck. # 300640-300649, \$392,964.40

Personnel Matters

Resignations/Retirement:

None

Approvals:

None

Miscellaneous Matters

School Budget/Proposition & Board Candidate Election – Election Inspector Chairperson June 9, 2020

CSE Review

None

The motion passed 7 Yes, 0 No.

Report : Maintenance Report – R. Caldwell

Reported that the windows in the Elementary School are currently being replaced and they are hoping to have them all done by next week. Prior to COVID-19 the windows were not going to be replaced until Summer 2020. The 200 wing is 95% complete, the custodian and cleaning crew are working on waxing the floors. Many items that were scheduled for work over the summer are ahead of schedule. In the Jr./Sr. High they have been working on clearing out the Math and Science wing to install the new roof top units. The EPC Project for the LED lighting is on schedule and should be completed by July 1st. Roger is working with the principals to have faculty come in to clean up their rooms so that his department can move into “summer cleaning” mode.

Policy Committee
Update:

None

Facilities
Committee
Update: None

Budget Committee Meeting scheduled May 17, 2020 – Time TBD
Update:

Audit Committee None
Update:

SOAR Update: None

Positive None
Recognition:

Approval - Multiple Policies Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, it was moved by W. Forsyth and seconded by T. Menzie to approve all the following policies:
Policy # 1336 – Duties of the Extraclassroom Activity Fund Central Treasurer and Faculty Auditor
Policy # 1511 – Agenda Format
Policy # 5140 – Administration of the Budget
Policy # 5520 – Extraclassroom Activity Fund
Policy # 5640 – Smoking/Tobacco Use
Policy # 5672 – Information Security Breach & Notification
Policy # 5681 – School Safety Plans
Policy # 6150 – Alcohol, Drugs, and Other Substances
Policy # 6212 – Certification and Qualifications
Policy # 6220 – Temporary Personnel
Policy # 6550 – Leaves of Absence
Policy # 7110 – Comprehensive Student Attendance
Policy # 7221 – Participation in Graduation Ceremonies and Activities
Policy # 7320 – Alcohol, Tobacco, Drugs, and Other Substances
Policy # 7410 – Extracurricular Activities
Policy # 7522 – Concussion Management
Policy # 7530 – Child Abuse and Maltreatment
Policy # 7550 – Dignity for All Students together.
The motion passed 7 Yes, 0 No.

Approval – 2020-2021 BOCES Rental And Support Agreement Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, it was moved by W. Forsyth and seconded by Y. Ace-Wagoner to approve the 2020-2021 BOCES Rental and Support Agreement.

The motion passed 7 Yes, 0 No.

Comments from the Audience:

None

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 Update
Positive Recognition

Adjournment: It was moved by W. Forsyth and seconded by J. VanValkenburg to

Adjourn the meeting at 5:49 p.m.

The motion passed 7 Yes, 0 No.