

**BYRON-BERGEN CENTRAL SCHOOL
BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING
Thursday, September 9, 2021
5:00 p.m. – Professional Development Room**

- Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 5:00 p.m. by Vice President Y. Ace-Wagoner.
- Members Present: Y. Ace-Wagoner, K. Carlson, W. Forsyth, T. Menzie, A. Phillips, J. VanValkenburg
- Members Absent: D. List
- Also Present: P. McGee, L. Prinz, R. Stevens, A. Grillo, M. Marcello, B. Meister and 0 members of the audience.
- President's Report: Y. Ace-Wagoner said that it was a great start to the school year and it is nice to see 100% of all students K-12 back in the building. Opening day for staff went great and she loved the energy and excitement of everyone. The fall sports season is off to a good start.
- Principals' Comments:
- A. Grillo reported:
- Opening day for staff went well after the morning meeting Jr./Sr. High staff worked on teambuilding videos.
 - The first day of school went very well, it was great to see all grades back in the building. Lunch still has to be in two spots, the cafeteria and high school gym.
 - Both the Jr. High and Sr. High classes had a kick off assembly where youth mover Brandon Lee White came out to help teens "Own It."
 - Student Council is working on home coming week.
- B. Meister reported:
- The first day of school was an amazing start to the school year.
 - Kindergarten and UPK were able to meet the teacher and have a bus orientation before the start of school.
 - There are a lot of new teachers this year and he has already been in to observe them.
 - Kindergarten has their 5th grade buddies back this year.
 - They are working on getting Safety Patrol and Student Council back up and running.

M. Marcello reported:

- 6th grade orientation went well, some of the National Honor Society members volunteered to provide guided tours to students and families.
- Each grade level is being talked to, to discuss expectations, dress code, etc.

Director Of
Instructional
Services
Comments:

None

Business
Administrator
Comments:

L. Prinz reported school tax bills have been sent out and payments are starting to come in. The auditors are wrapping up and will meet with the Audit Committee on September 20th at 4:15 p.m. via Zoom. The plan is to have the Board approve the final audited financial statements at their September 23rd meeting.

Academic Focus:

None

Student Council

None

Superintendent's
Comments:

P. McGee stated Opening Day for staff went well and he loved the energy of everyone in the building. The first day with students in the building went very well, it was great to have the Jr./Sr. High students all in attendance. The Capital Project vote information will be sent out to the community within the next week. On September 30th at 6:30 p.m., a public hearing will be held in the auditorium. The Capital Project vote will be October 7th from 1:00 p.m-9:00 p.m. in the Jr./Sr. High Cafeteria. A memo was sent out to staff that they must provide their vaccine card or get weekly testing. September 29th the Board of Education is signed up to do the concession stand. Condolences to Ray Waters' family. Two additions to New Business are: 12.2 Approval – LTS (Category II) Elementary Education Teacher (Gr. 4) – Brittany Ramsay (Eff. 9/7/21) and 12.3 Approval of Additional Summer Days – Counselors.

Consent Agenda:

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

Approval of Minutes

August 19, 2021

Financial Matters

General Fund Bills: Warrant A-11, Ck. # 21057-21061, \$6,297.40

Warrant A-13, Ck. # 21062-21108, \$57,908.77
School Lunch Fund Bills: Warrant C-2, Ck. # 200757-200760, \$3,071.92
Federal Fund Bills: Warrant F-2, Ck. # 400351, \$30.58
Debt Service Fund Bills : Warrant V-2, Wire # 99148, 99150, \$642,827.22
Monthly Treasurer's Report – July 2021

Personnel Matters

Resignations/Retirement:

Resignation – Leora Brown (Eff. 9/18/21)

Resignation – Drama Club – Laurence Tallman (Eff. 8/24/21)

Retirement – Reading Teacher – Jill Gruschow (Eff. 1/1/22)

Resignation – Elementary Teacher – Taylor Haupt (Eff. 8/30/21)

Approvals:

Jr./Sr. High 2021-2022 Extracurricular Activities Appointments

Grade 10 Class Advisor Briana DelVecchio

Robotics Sara MacKenzie

Strategic Games Club – Sr. High Nicholas Muhlenkamp

Heather Painting

Appointment – LTS (Category I) – Trey Nadolinski (Eff. 9/1/21)

Additional 2021-2022 Fall Coach/Advisor and Volunteer

Recommendations

Volleyball

JV – Jason Blom

Modified – Jessica Golino

Volunteer – Rene Vurraro

2021-2022 Social Emotional Learning Coordinator – Megan Wahl

Appointment – Custodial Worker – Kimberly Maskell (Eff. 8/24/21)

Appointment – School Monitor – Rebekah Ireland (Eff. 8/30/21)

Appointment – Substitute Bus Driver – Shandra Webster (Eff. 8/30/21)

Additional Summer Hours – Teacher Aides

Paula Hohn

Michelle Shade

Additional Summer Hours – Teacher CSE Meetings

Michelle Matteson

Appointment – Teacher Aide – Janet Copani (Eff. 9/7/21)

Summer Hours – Instructional Coaches

Diana Walther

Debbie Slocum

Appointment – LTS Elementary Education Teacher (Gr. 6) –

Abigail St. Denis (Eff. 9/1/21)

Abigail (Abby) St. Denis, who holds initial certifications in the Childhood Education (1-6) and Students with Disabilities (1-6) in the public schools of New York State, is hereby appointed to the temporary position of (Category IV) Long-Term Substitute

Elementary Education Teacher (Gr. 6) commencing September 1, 2021 through June 24, 2022 (or until the return of M. Wahl). The salary during this appointment will be paid in accordance with the salary schedule as outlined in the collective bargaining agreement between the Byron-Bergen Faculty Association (BBFA) and the Board of Education, and will be based upon Step 1. This is a benefit eligible position.

Summer Hours – Technology Coordinator

Jennifer Back

Additional 2021-2022 Mentor Appointments

Mentor

Mentee

Megan Wahl

Savannah Vascukynas

Ken Gropp

Abigail St. Denis

Appointment – LTS Elementary Education Teacher (Gr. 3) – Savannah Vascukynas (Eff. 9/7/21)

Savannah Vascukynas, who holds Emergency COVID-19 certifications in the Childhood Education (1-6) and Students with Disabilities (1-6) in the public schools of New York State, is hereby appointed to the temporary position of (Category IV) Long-Term Substitute Elementary Education Teacher (Gr. 3) commencing September 7, 2021 through June 24, 2022 (replacing T. Haupt). The salary during this appointment will be paid in accordance with the salary schedule as outlined in the collective bargaining agreement between the Byron-Bergen Faculty Association (BBFA) and the Board of Education, and will be based upon Step 1. This is a benefit eligible position.

Appointment – Teacher Aide – Kristina Bird (Eff. 9/7/21)

Appointment – LTS (Category II) Elementary Education Teacher (Gr. K) – Ashley Ziccardi (Eff. 9/7/21)

Ashley Ziccardi, whose certification in Childhood Education (1-6) is pending in the public schools of New York State, is hereby appointed to the temporary position of (Category II) Long-Term Substitute Elementary Education Teacher (Gr. K) commencing September 7, 2021 through January 7, 2022 (or until the return of E. Overhoff). The salary during this appointment will be 1/200th of Step 1. She will earn pro-rated leave days. This is not a benefit eligible position.

Appointment – Substitute Teacher (UPK-5) – Ashley Ziccardi

Miscellaneous Matters

Field Trip – FFA – National FFA Convention – 10/24-30/21

CPSE Review
Case # 4583, # 4711

The motion passed 6 Yes, 0 No

Policy Committee
Update: None

Facilities
Committee
Update: Capital Project Voter Referendum Resolution – October 7, 2021
from 1:00 p.m.-9:00 p.m. Jr./Sr. High Cafeteria

Budget Committee
Update: None

Audit Committee
Update: Zoom Meeting on 9/20/21 at 4:15 p.m.

SOAR Update: None

Positive
Recognition: None

Approval –
2021-2022
Electric Bid
Results
Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, it was moved by J. VanValkenburg and seconded by K. Carlson to approve the 2021-2022 Electric Bid Results approving Energy Coop of America the winning bid. The motion passed 6 Yes, 0 No.

Approval –
LTS (Category II)
Elementary
Education Teacher
(Gr. 4) – Brittany
Ramsay (Eff. 9/7/21)
Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, it was moved by W. Forsyth and seconded by A. Phillips to approve Long-Term Substitute (Category II) Elementary Education Teacher (Gr. 4) – Brittany Ramsay (Eff. 9/7/21). Brittany Ramsay, who holds Initial certification in the Childhood Education (1-6) certification area in the public schools of New York State, is hereby appointed to the temporary position of (Category II) Long-Term Substitute Elementary Education Teacher (Gr. 4) commencing September 7, 2021 through November 12, 2022 (or until the return of C. Hardenbrook). The salary during this appointment will be 1/200th of Step 1. She will earn pro-rated leave days. This is not a benefit eligible position.
The motion passed 6 Yes, 0 No.

Approval – Additional Summer Days – Counselors Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, it was moved by K. Carlson and seconded by A. Phillips to approve Additional Summer – Days for A. Hill and K. Holler in the Jr./Sr. High School.
The motion passed 6 Yes, 0 No.

Public Comment: 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 Committee Update
Positive Recognition

Adjournment: It was moved by W. Forsyth and seconded by J. VanValkenburg to adjourn the meeting at 5:28 p.m.
The motion passed 6 Yes, 0 No.