

**BYRON-BERGEN CENTRAL SCHOOL
BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING
Thursday, September 19, 2019
7:00 p.m. – Professional Development Room**

- Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by President D. List.
- Members Present: D. List, Y. Ace-Wagoner, K. Carlson, W. Forsyth, T. Menzie,
J. VanValkenburg
- Members Absent: A. Phillips
- Executive Session: It was moved by W. Forsyth and seconded by Y. Ace-Wagoner to enter executive session at 6:01 p.m. to discuss proposed, pending or current litigation.
The motion passed 6 Yes, 0 No.
- Return to Public Session: It was moved by W. Forsyth and seconded by K. Carlson to return to public session at 6:27 p.m.
The motion passed 6 Yes, 0 No.
- Also Present: M. Edwards, L. Prinz, R. Stevens, P. McGee, T. Schulte, R. Manfreda, B. Meister, B. Brown and 7 member of the audience.
- Public Hearing – District Wide Safety Plan From 6:30-7:00 p.m. a Public Hearing for the District-Wide Safety Plan was held. M. Edwards summarized and explained the 2019-2020 proposed plan in public forum. Different sections of the plan were highlighted such as: General Considerations and Planning Guidelines, Risk Reduction/Prevention and Intervention, Response, and Recovery.
- President’s Report: D. List reported that last Friday, September 13th, she and Mickey attended a Rural Schools Association Summit in Ithaca for National Northeast Regional Rural Workforce. She attended a GVSBA meeting on Monday, September 16th, and there will be a primer on October 7th, at Oakfield-Alabama at 6 p.m. February 24th, Byron-Bergen will host their primer for GVSBA in the Elementary Cafetorium at 6:00 p.m.
- Principals’ Comments: P. McGee reported:
- GLOW with Your Hands is hosting an event on September 24th at the Genesee County Fairgrounds. GLOW’s goal is to provide students with an insight of high-demand careers in agriculture, manufacturing, and skilled trades.
- The High School has been working with R. Manfreda on instruction goals.

B. Brown reported:

- The Elementary School had two fire drills which went very well. The building was evacuated in about a minute and a half.
- The Elementary will be practicing lock down drills tomorrow.
- Open House is next Thursday, September 26th, at 6:30 p.m.

T. Schulte reported:

- Tom reported his resignation from his roles at Byron-Bergen to pursue another avenue. He is hoping for a smooth transition.
- All the new platforms that have been implemented are continuing to run smoothly.
- The greenhouse should have the pad poured by winter and be complete by March/April 2020.

Director Of
Instructional
Services
Comments:

R. Manfreda reported that a Response to Intervention Plan is developed and meets the State requirements. It will be coming to the Board for review at a later date and then has to be formally approved. Awareness is being raised among faculty and staff about the new requirements of the Education Law 2-D. She talked about the focus on curriculum and Instructional Coaches and the Impact Cycle; a few more teachers have joined this year.

Business
Administrator
Comments:

L. Prinz stated the closing for the Bus BAN is on September 26th. They have three candidates for the Transportation Coordinator position and interviews will be held on October 1st. She and M. Edwards attended a Statewide School Finance Consortium hosted by Rick Timbs earlier this week.

Reports:

New Employees were invited to come to the Board meeting to meet the Board of Education members and light refreshments were available.

Teen Police Academy – Officer Butler – SRO

The Teen Police Academy was held over the summer and went very well. The camp consisted of had 20 applicants and a great variety of schools participate. There were 3 students from Byron-Bergen. Of the 20 students, 11 graduated and made it all the way through the program. The new SRO was also involved in the Academy and did a section on accident reconstruction. Deputy Schildwaster will continue to conduct the Teen Police Academy.

Academic Focus:

Sandy Auer came in to talk about the art program at Byron-Bergen and how much it has grown in the many years she has been a teacher here. She currently teaches Adapted Arts, 7th grade Art, Sculpture/Eclectic Arts, and Pottery. She has 17 years of teaching experience working with

students from kindergarten to 12th grade. Her Adapted Arts class has a goal of creating meaningful experiences in the arts for students with special needs. These students have produced a mini movie, masks, drawings, sculptures, and put on plays. The 7th grade art program's goal is to expose students to a wide variety of materials and concepts. It is heavily based on elements and principles of art. This is the first graded art class and students learn to follow rubric and self-evaluate. Pottery serves as an introduction to the studio and its materials. Students will become familiar with the three basic forms of hand building; pinch, coil, and slab building. The second half of this course explores more advanced forms of hand building such as lidded vessels and sculptural forms; students will also be able to use the pottery wheel. The Eclectic Art class is a new course and it is designed to give students an opportunity to explore a wide variety of arts experiences, medias, and concepts not typically available in our other art classes. Paper making, book binding, textile arts, up-cycling, multi-cultural arts and anthropology, murals, mixed media arts, and collaborative projects are just a few of the things students will get to experience. 3-D Design and Sculpture is also another new course offered where students are taught a variety of techniques for creating sculptures and work with both traditional and non-traditional materials.

Student Council
Report:

Michael Rogoyski, 4th grade, came to talk about things that are happening in the Elementary School. Student Council is currently hosting their biggest fundraiser of the year. The Merry-Go-Round Theatre came in for a visit this week and did a session on Aesop's Fables. Next Tuesday, September 24th, the annual rooftop photo will be taken; this year they are trying to do a rainbow. The Character Education program kicks off next week, as well. Open House is Thursday, September 26th, at 6:30 p.m.

Superintendent's
Comments:

M. Edwards said on October 11th, the Superintendent conference day, a segment will be held on data security and protecting ourselves. There is one new item that is added to the agenda: Resignation – Principal of Western New York Tech Academy and District Technology Coordinator – Thomas Schulte (Eff. 10/15/19).

Consent Agenda:

It was moved by K. Carlson and seconded by Y. Ace-Wagoner that the following consent agenda be approved:

Approval of Previous Minutes

September 5, 2019

Financial Matters

General Fund Bills: Warrant A-15, Ck. # 18523-18525, \$1,135.56

Warrant A-16, Ck. # 18526-18567, \$911,814.32

School Lunch Fund Bills: Warrant C-5, Ck. # 200393, \$140.00
Warrant C-6, Ck. # 200394-200399, \$12,692.94
Federal Fund Bills: Warrant F-4, Ck. # 400215-400220, \$3,162.19
Trust & Agency Fund Bills: Warrant TA-6, Wire # 1155-1158
Ck. # 300468-300470, \$106,627.22
Warrant TA- 8, Wire # 1159-1165,
Ck # 300472-300473, \$107,358.13
Capital Fund Bills: Warrant H-4, Ck. # 2471-2477, \$2,510,998.67

Personnel Matters

Resignations/Retirement:

None

Approvals:

Substitute Teacher – Faline Tyler (K-12)

Substitute Teacher Aide – Faline Tyler (K-12)

2019-2020 Jr./Sr. High Extra-Curricular Appointments

Academic Challenge Bowl – Sara MacKenzie

Alliance for Equality – Ashley Hill

Art Club – Jr. High – Sandy Auer

Art Club – Sr. High – Justine Fritz

Art HONORS Club – Jr. High – Sandy Auer

Class Advisor – Grade 7 – Ken Gropp

Kerri Smith

Class Advisor – Grade 8 – Aaron Clark

Class Advisor – Grade 9 – Evelyn Hunt

Class Advisor – Grade 10 – Alana Penna

Class Advisor – Grade 11 – Jennifer Back

Class Advisor – Grade 12 – Tiffany Luksch

Nick Muhlenkamp

Drama Club – Laurence Tallman

Interscholastic Competition

in English (ICE) – Andrew McNeil

Marching Band – Kevin Bleiler

Math League – Jr. High – Rebecca Logan

Math League – Sr. High – Jon DiLaura

Mock Trial – Jr. High – Ken Gropp

Aaron Clark

Mock Trial – Sr. High – Evelyn Hunt

Donna McJury

Musical Director – Laurence Tallman

National Honor Society – Jr. High – Ken Gropp

Kerri Smith

National Honor Society – Sr. High – Laurie Penepent

Justine Fritz

PageTurners 7-8 – Sara MacKenzie

PageTurners 9-12 – Laurie Penepent

S.A.D.D./Reality Check – Maureen Calmes
 Singing Silhouettes – Laurence Tallman
 Ski Club – Ken Rogoyski
 Solo Festival/All County Band/NYSSMA – Kevin Bleiler
 Solo Festival/All County Chorus/
 NYSSMA – Laurence Tallman
 Solo Festival & All State
 (if students qualify) – Kevin Bleiler
 Laurence Tallman
 Sr. High Spanish Club – Jeanne Rivera
 Jr. High Spanish Club – Sue Price
 Steppin Up/Key Club – Jay Wolcott
 Strategic Games Club – Sr. High – Meshari Alnouri
 Strategic Games Club – Jr. High – Aaron Clark
 Student Council – Sr. High – Donna McJury
 Alana Penna
 Talent Show – Alana Penna
 Technology Club (Jr. High) Jay Wolcott
 Varsity Club – Nick Muhlenkamp
 Tiffany Luksch
 Yearbook – Jr./Sr. High – Briana DelVecchio
 (Sr. High Co-advisor)
 Terry Vick (Sr. High Co-advisor)

Miscellaneous Matters

None

CPSE Review

Case # 4337, # 4419

The motion passed 6 Yes, 0 No.

Policy Committee Update: None

Facilities Committee Update: None

Budget Committee Update: None

Audit Committee Update: Meeting is scheduled for October 3rd at 5:30 p.m.

SOAR Update: None

Positive Recognition: None

Award of Electric Bid for Period of 11/1/19-10/31/20 Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, it was moved by W. Forsyth and seconded by J. VanValkenburg to approve the Award of Electric Bid for Period of 11/1/19-10/31/20. The motion passed 6 Yes, 0 No.

Approval of First Reading Of Policy # 5660 – Meal Charging And Prohibition Against Meal Shaming Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, it was moved by T. Menzie and seconded by K. Carlson to approve the First Reading of Policy # 5660 – Meal Charging and Prohibition Against Meal Shaming. The motion passed 6 Yes, 0 No.

Approval of First Reading Of Policy # 7551 – Immunization Of Students Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, it was moved by W. Forsyth and seconded by J. VanValkenburg to approve the First Reading of Policy # 7511 – Immunization of Students. The motion passed 6 Yes, 0 No.

Approval of Resignation – Principal of Western New York Tech Academy and District Technology Coordinator – Thomas Schulte (Eff. 10/15/19) Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, it was moved by J. VanValkenburg and seconded by Y. Ace-Wagoner to approve the Resignation – Principal of Western New York Tech Academy and District Technology Coordinator – Thomas Schulte (Eff. 10/15/19) with regret. The motion passed 6 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 8:28 p.m.
The motion passed 6 Yes, 0 No.