

**BYRON-BERGEN CENTRAL SCHOOL  
BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING  
Thursday, November 9, 2017  
7:00 p.m. – Professional Development Room**

- Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Vice President Y. Ace-Wagoner.
- Members Present: Y. Ace-Wagoner, W. Forsyth, T. Menzie, A. Phillips, J. VanValkenburg
- Members Absent: D. List, K. Carlson
- Also Present: M. Edwards, P. McGee, B. Meister, L. Prinz, R. Stevens, and 3 members of the audience.
- Executive Session: None
- President's Report: Y. Ace-Wagoner just wanted to comment on the amazing sports season we had. She congratulated volleyball, football, and girls'/boys' soccer for all their hard work and dedication. She thinks it's great that we are such a small school district and we ended the fall sports season on such a positive note.
- Principals' Comments:
- P. McGee reported:
- He stated that they had a great fall and students remain enthusiastic.
  - He congratulated the fall sports teams and the great work they did. The football team is going to States on Saturday. Soccer also is playing in the final four.
  - They celebrated Veterans Day by having some local veterans from the American Legion and Officer Butler come into different classrooms and share their stories.
  - Last week several students from Agriculture/FFA went to Camp Oswegatchie.
  - Samantha Golden and her Liberty Partnership students participated in Sticker Shock where they went to several businesses and put stickers on alcoholic beverages to raise awareness.
  - Winter sports are starting and we have the highest number of participants in the GVEP participating districts for both sports and extra-curricular activities.
- B. Meister reported:
- He stated that they had a great Halloween in the Elementary School. They had a parade, taught the students safe practices when outside of school and the Fall Festival was amazing. They had a great turnout

and had lots of help from the High School students and STEP Boosters.

- The Elementary had follow-up training with Maureen, Christina, Rick, the special ed. teachers, and himself for behavior plans and how to keep certain behaviors from not impacting the student learning.
- They are hosted their annual Turkey Trot earlier in the evening and they had 125 students participate and they could either run or walk one, two, or three miles.

Business  
Administrator  
Comments:

L. Prinz stated that the last day for tax collection was October 30<sup>th</sup> and now Rachel is working on getting the files of uncollected taxes to the counties by November 15<sup>th</sup>. She stated that Toni Ezzell started on Monday and she is a quick learner and a good fit.

Academic Focus:

Samantha Golden came back from the Liberty Partnership Program to follow up on her presentation from last year and show the progress they have made. The program has received an additional 5 years of funding. Last year, 52 students received services and so far this year they have 32 students enrolled. They have expanded into the elementary grades 5 and 6. She talked about an assessment that was given to 33 students in Byron-Bergen last fall and 13 of them are at a 60%-100% likelihood to drop out of school. This fall when the assessment was redone of the 14 students who completed it, only 4 students were at a 60%-100% likelihood to drop out of school. She talked about one of her success stories; a boy who was referred to her last year by the Vice Principal. He had daily trips to the principal's office and poor grades. With the support from Samantha and the Liberty Partnership Program they made some modifications and the student now has an 87 GPA and has had a decrease in principal office visits.

Student Council  
Report:

None

Reports:

Transportation Update – Drew Doll gave a quick update for the Transportation Department. He talked about the NYS Road Test changes and how it is dramatically affecting us as a school and other districts. He talked about the route that was eliminated and the approximate savings to the district with one less contract route. The average time a student spends on the bus now is down to 38 minutes and they are loading about 3 minutes earlier at the Elementary School. He talked about Bus #68 being leased to BOCES this year and we will see how it works out -- so far so good. Also, he talked about the proposed equipment we will be asking for, for next year's budget.

Quarterly Budget Update – Lori Prinz gave a brief update on the 2017-2018 school year financial activity from July 1<sup>st</sup> – Nov 1<sup>st</sup>. So far everything has been going well and there hasn't been any costly surprises, so the actual costs are matching up to the budgeted amounts.

Superintendent's  
Comments:

M. Edwards made mention of the upcoming GVSBA Fall Institute #2 to the BOCES in Batavia on November 16<sup>th</sup>. He also talked about the second TIG Training and the topic was *Coping with Chronic Illness*. They also talked about suicide risk and assessment; suicide is the #1 cause of death amongst middle schoolers and one young person dies every 2 hours from suicide.

Consent Agenda:

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

Approval of Previous Minutes

October 26, 2017

Financial Matters

General Fund Bills

School Lunch Bills

Federal Fund Bills

Monthly Treasurer's Report – September 2017

Personnel Matters

Resignations/Retirement:

Resignations:

None

Approvals:

2017-2018 Winter Sports Volunteers

Girls Basketball

Volunteer – Kaylee Amesbury

Wrestling

Volunteer – Kacee Sauer

LeRoy Student to Attend 12:1:1 Class in Jr./Sr. High School

MOA – B-B Administrators Association

Elementary Yearbook Advisors for 2017-2018 – Taylor Haupt and

Colleen Hardenbrook

Senior Clerk – Toni Ezzell (Eff. 11/6/17)

Toni Ezzell, is hereby appointed to the 12-month Civil Service position of Senior Clerk (initially in the Transportation/Buildings & Grounds Department) effective November 6, 2017. The probationary period for this position is 26-weeks

(November 6, 2017 through May 7, 2018). The terms and conditions are as outlined in the agreement between the Byron-Bergen Central School District and the Byron-Bergen Office Personnel and Teachers' Aides Association. Toni must register and take the next Civil Service examination for Senior Clerk, once it is offered, and be reachable on the results list.

Secretary – Christine Stevens (Eff. 11/27/17)

Christine Stevens, is hereby appointed to the 12-month Civil Service position of Secretary (initially in the Sr. High School Office) effective November 27, 2017. Christine will also be paid at her hourly rate for any time spent cross-training prior to her official start date. The probationary period for this position is 26-weeks (November 27, 2017 through May 28, 2018). The terms and conditions are as outlined in the agreement between the Byron-Bergen Central School District and the Byron-Bergen Office Personnel and Teachers' Aides Association. Christine must register and take the next Civil Service examination for Secretary, once it is offered, and be reachable on the results list.

CSE/CPSE

CPSE Recommendations – Case # 4068

The motion passed 5-0.

Policy Committee Update: They are still waiting to hear back for an update.

Facilities Committee Update: The meeting with Pike and Clark Patterson Lee on November 3, 2017 was very productive; it was very eye opening and they all have lots of homework. The State is currently taking up to 30 weeks to approve funding.

Budget Committee Update: None

Audit Committee Update: None

SOAR Update: None

Positive Recognition: None

Approve Creation of Senior Clerk Position (Eff. 9/5/17)	Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, it was moved by W. Forsyth and seconded by J. VanValkenburg to approve the Creation of the Senior Clerk Position (Eff. 9/5/17) The motion passed 5-0.
Abolish Director of Facilities III (Eff. 7/1/17)	Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, it was moved by A. Phillips and seconded by T. Menzie to Abolish the Director of Facilities III Position (Eff. 7/1/17). The motion passed 5-0.
Approve Transfer Director Of Facilities II- Temporary to Director of Facilities II-Permanent (Eff. 7/1/17)	Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, it was moved by J. VanValkenburg and seconded by T.Menzie to approve the Transfer of Director of Facilities II-Temporary to Director of Facilities II-Permanent (Eff. 7/1/17). The motion passed 5-0.
Appoint Roger Caldwell To Director of Facilities II- Permanent (Eff. 7/1/17)	Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, it was moved by T. Menzie and seconded by A. Phillips to Appoint Roger Caldwell to Director of Facilities II-Permanent (Eff. 7/1/17). The motion passed 5-0.
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 7:56 p.m. The motion passed 5-0.