

**Board of Education Meeting
Regular Meeting
Wednesday, December 2, 2015
High School Library
7:00 p.m.**

PRESENT: Daniel Cramer
Susan Filburn – Arrived 7:11
Nancy Fodera - Absent
Tony Leva
Christine Richardson
Jeanne Obermayer
Kevin Schaefer - Absent

STAFF PRESENT: Dr. Joseph Dragone, Superintendent of Schools
Brian Sirianni, Clerk of the Board

CALL TO ORDER

Daniel Cramer called the Board of Education meeting to order at 7:03 pm.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Dr. Dragone expressed his pride regarding the extraordinary season for fall sports. He congratulated everyone including students and coaches.

Dr. Dragone announced P21 has designated the Ballston Spa Central School District's Clean Technologies & Sustainable Industries Early College High School (Clean Tech ECHS) as an Exemplar School for 2015-2016.

Dr. Dragone outlined the upcoming events related to parade on Friday. He encouraged everyone to attend the festivities. He went on to remind everyone the Ballston Spa High School's FIRST Robotics Team would be hosting a Hudson Valley FIRST LEGO League (FLL) Qualifying Tournament. He stated it was a regional event.

Dr. Dragone shared the dates for the Winter Concerts throughout the district and invited everyone to attend.

Dr. Dragone stated the House would be voting on the Every Child Succeeds Act. He stated if passed, the Federal Government's reach would be lessened in education and the State would gain more authority. He stated there would be a thorough overview during the budget meetings.

Dr. Dragone announced the Soccer Booster Club was present and selling ornaments.

Student Recognition

Dave Sunkes announced for the 4th season in a row all nine fall athletics programs earned NSPHSAA Scholar- Athlete Team. He recognized the season's athletes and highlighted their accomplishments.

Coach Immel recognized all the girls modified soccer players.

Mr. Sunkes recognized Laiken Fox for her accomplishments and recognized Ian Graham for his accomplishments.

Matt Germann recognized Eli Bashant.

Ted Snyder and his assistant coach recognized Emma Swistak and the Swim and Dive Team for their accomplishments.

Mr. Sunkes recognized the boys' varsity soccer team for their tremendous season, and highlighted their accomplishments. He also recognized Griffen McWatters and Connor Defilippis.

Mr. Sunkes recognized Gary Preece and congratulated him for earning the National Soccer Coaches Association of America 2015 NYS Coach of the Year Award.

Gary Preece recognized the players, parents, school district and the community. He thanked everyone for their support.

All players from the soccer team were recognized.

Mr. Sunkes thanked everyone for the outstanding support of the student athletes.

Dr. Dragone thanked everyone for coming to the meeting. He wished the athletes luck on the next season and congratulated them on an outstanding season.

Mr. Cramer thanked everyone, including the community for their commitment and support.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

None

CORRESPONDENCE

None

ANNOUNCEMENTS

None

OLD BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

Resolution #282 - Authorization to Appeal

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Ballston Spa Central School District authorizes and directs its attorneys to pursue an appeal to the State Review Officer from the November 13, 2015 Findings of Fact and Decision of the Impartial Hearing Officer issued in the matter involving Student No. 24344.

MOTION BY, Christine Richardson seconded by Susan Filburn that the Board of Education approve Resolution#282 – Authorization to Appeal

Ayes all

Resolution #283 - Athletic Field Trip-Boys' Varsity Swim and Dive

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Education of the Ballston Spa Central School District, to grant permission for the Boys' Varsity Swim and Dive Team to travel to the Eastern States Swim Championships in East Meadow, NY, January 22-23, 2016, be and is hereby granted.

MOTION BY, Christine Richardson seconded by Susan Filburn that the Board of Education approve Resolution#283 – Athletic Field Trip-Boys' Varsity Swim and Dive

Ayes all

Resolution #284 - Athletic Field Trip-Varsity Baseball

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Education of the Ballston Spa Central School District, to grant permission for the Varsity Baseball Team to travel to Towson, Maryland, March 24-26, 2016, be and is hereby granted.

MOTION BY, Christine Richardson seconded by Susan Filburn that the Board of Education approve Resolution#284 – Athletic Field Trip – Varsity Baseball

Ayes all

Resolution #285 - Appointment of Internal Auditors

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Education of the Ballston Spa Central School District, that the appointment of The Bonadio Group as Internal Auditors for district, is hereby approved.

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MOTION BY, Christine Richardson seconded by Susan Filburn that the Board of Education approve Resolution#285 – Appointment of Internal Auditors
Ayes all

Resolution #286 - Agreement – Professional Services

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Education of the Ballston Spa Central School District, the agreement between The Bonadio Group and the District to provide internal auditing services for the period December 2, 2015 through June 30, 2016, be and is hereby approved.

MOTION BY, Christine Richardson seconded by Susan Filburn that the Board of Education approve Resolution#286 – Agreement – Professional Services

Ayes all

Resolution #287 - Budget Transfers

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Education of the Ballston Spa Central School District, that the Fiscal Year 2015-2016 Budget Transfers for December 2, 2015, be and are hereby approved.

MOTION BY, Christine Richardson seconded by Susan Filburn that the Board of Education approve Resolution#287 – Budget Transfers

Ayes all

Resolution #288 - Placement of Students with Disabilities

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Education of the Ballston Spa Central School District, that the said Board arrange placement of the following students as recommended by the District Committee on Special Education, effective December 2, 2015 be and are hereby approved:

Student #25392	Student #23076	Student #23099
Student #25390	Student #23918	Student #274670
Student #23930	Student #25173	Student #274669
Student #0752	Student #18200	Student #16270
Student #23055	Student #274693	Student #17466
Student #272906	Student #274747	Student #272568
Student #272736	Student #274722	Student #21059
Student #24468	Student #19269	Student #25791
Student #274504	Student #272931	Student #25541
Student #272650	Student #24681	

MOTION BY, Christine Richardson seconded by Susan Filburn that the Board of Education approve Resolution#288 – Placement of Students with Disabilities

Ayes all

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Resolution #289 - Placement of Preschool Students with Disabilities

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Education of the Ballston Spa Central School District, that the said Board arrange placement of the following students as recommended by the District Committee on Preschool Special Education, effective December 2, 2015 be and are hereby approved:

Student #274697	Student #274939
Student #274915	Student #274864

MOTION BY, Christine Richardson seconded by Susan Filburn that the Board of Education approve Resolution#289 – Placement of Preschool Students with Disabilities

Ayes all

Resolutions #290 - #298 are recognized as a consent agenda for the purpose of Board of Education action.

Resolution #290 - Resignation

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Ballston Spa Central School District hereby accepts the resignation of the employee(s) listed below, with effective date(s) shown, be and is (are) hereby approved:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>
Brittney Carver	Teacher	12/24/15
Bradley Chmielewski	Bus Driver	12/31/15

Resolution #291 - Creation of Student Activity Club

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Education of the Ballston Spa Central School District that the following student activity clubs be created and recognized, be and is hereby approved:

<u>Club</u>	<u>Location</u>
Peer Leaders	MS

Resolution #292 - Appointment – Co-Curricular Clubs and Activities

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Education of the Ballston Spa Central School District that the following person(s) be appointed to the advisor position(s) for the 2015-2016 school year, with salary shown, be and is (are) hereby approved:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Title, Location</u>	<u>Salary</u>
Sarah Albrycht	Peer Leaders Co-Advisor, MS	\$262
Mary Barrette	Peer Leaders Co-Advisor, MS	\$262
Michelle Brandt	Peer Leaders Co-Advisor, MS	\$262

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Rebecca Farrell	Peer Leaders Co-Advisor, MS	\$262
Angela Johanning	Peer Leaders Co-Advisor, MS	\$262
Erin Pezzulo	Peer Leaders Co-Advisor, MS	\$262

Resolution #293 - Appointment – Interscholastic Sports Coaches

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Education of the Ballston Spa Central School District that the following person(s) be appointed to the position(s) indicated below for the 2015-2016 school year, with salary shown, be and is (are) hereby approved:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Salary</u>
Vincent Johnson	Modified Wrestling (volunteer)	N/A
Adam Karazuba	Boys' Varsity Basketball (volunteer)	N/A

Resolution #294 - Appointment – Teaching Assistant

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Education of the Ballston Spa Central School District that the following person(s) be appointed to the probationary position(s) indicated below, with salary and effective date(s) shown, be and is (are) hereby approved:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Tenure Area</u>	<u>Certification Status</u>	<u>Salary/Step</u>	<u>Effective Dates</u>
Karyn Lefco	Teaching Assistant	NYS professional, Students with Disabilities (1-6)	\$21,204/yr. (pro-rated) Step 3	12/03/15-12/02/18

Resolution #295 - Permanent Appointment

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Education of the Ballston Spa Central School District that the following person(s) be granted permanent appointment to the position(s) indicated below with effective date(s) shown, be and is (are) hereby approved:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>
Heidi Driscoll	Special Education Aide	12/08/15
Joan Durnford	Bus Driver	12/08/15
Michael Durocher	Bus Driver	12/08/15
Sandra Levee	Bus Driver	12/08/15
Giovanna Monast	Special Education Aide	12/10/15
Peter Quinn III	Bus Driver	12/08/15

Resolution #296 - Appointment – Support Services

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Education of the Ballston Spa Central School District that the following person(s) be granted appointment to the probationary position(s) indicated below, with hours, salary and effective date(s) shown, be and is (are) hereby approved:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Max. Hrs/Wk</u>	<u>Salary</u>	<u>Effective Dates</u>
Bradley Chmielewski	School Bus Dispatcher	40	\$17.82/hr	12/31/15-12/30/16

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Resolution #297 - Appointment – Support Services

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Education of the Ballston Spa Central School District that the following person(s) be granted appointment to the position(s) indicated below, with hours, salary and effective date(s) shown, be and is (are) hereby approved:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Max. Hrs/Wk</u>	<u>Salary</u>	<u>Effective Dates</u>
Benjamin Balet	Lifeguard/Learn to Swim Instructor	30	\$9.00/hr.	12/03/15-8/31/16

Resolution #298 - Appointment – Support Services

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Education of the Ballston Spa Central School District that the following person(s) be appointed to the position(s) indicated below for the 2015-2016 school year, with hours and salary shown, be and is (are) hereby approved:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Max. Hrs/Wk</u>	<u>Salary</u>
William Banks	Substitute Bus Attendant	30	\$13.14/hr.
Jessica Meaker	Substitute Bus Attendant	30	\$13.14/hr.
Tammie Schott	Substitute Bus Attendant	30	\$13.14/hr.

MOTION BY, Christine Richardson seconded by Susan Filburn that the Board of Education approve Resolutions #209 - 298

Ayes all

BSATA, BSTA, CSEA, Student Council, and PTA

BSTA thanked the Board for the support of extracurricular programs, adding that the programs were good for the students and for uniting the community.

Student Council shared the plans for Winter Week. They also announced that they were working on a float for the States Athletes. The council stated it was important to recognize their outstanding accomplishments.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION BY, Christine Richardson seconded by Susan Filburn to at adjourn to executive session to discuss the employment of a particular person at 7:45 p.m., not to return to public session.

Ayes all

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Respectfully submitted,



Brian Sirianni
Clerk of the Board