

Belfast Central School Board of Education Regular Meeting

Belfast Central School Auditorium

September 12, 2017

6:30 P.M.

School Board Members Present:

Josie Preston, President, Randa Harrington, Vice President, Becky Backer, Cecy Curcio, Chris Enders, Janine Preston, Patti Krotz

Members Absent:

None

Staff and Community Members Present: Wendy Butler Ed. D, Superintendent, Robert Lingenfelter, District Treasurer, Gina Larrabee, District Clerk, Michael Roche, 5-12 Principal, Jessica Hess PK-4 Principal/Director of Pupil Services, Jim Schneider, Supervisor of Transportation/Building and Grounds, Mary Paulsen, Jessica Romance, Ashley Yackeren

Call to order	At 6:30 p.m., the President Josie Preston called the meeting to order. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.
Meeting Information	No Additions/deletions
Public Comment /Presentation	Jessica Romance gave an update on the one school, one book program featuring Kenny and the Dragon.
Financial	Robert Lingenfelter presented the Treasurer's report, Budget Status and Revenue Status Reports, July warrants, and Revised Tax Warrant.
Leadership Team Reports	<p>Michael Roche reported on opening days, core instruction in conjunction with additional instruction, reading curriculum, report cards, special education and RtI.</p> <p>Jessica Hess reported.</p> <p>Jim Schneider reported on capital project elements including: gym doors and floor, batting cage, concrete pads under garbage cans, dugout seating, athletic field lights, grandstand, third floor ventilation, hot water in the cafeteria, the teacher's lounge, distance learning, and technology rooms' temperature, water bottle filler fountains, bus garage drains.</p> <p>Wendy Butler reported on a proposed change to Policy 7231- College and Distance Learning Guidelines, new required policy for student lunch charging, combined sport transportation, Smart School Bond update, NYSSBA resources, the fall ACASB Dinner held on September 28, 2017, November date for BOE work session, and the availability of Belfast Gear.</p>
Consent Agenda	<p>Motion by Chris Enders, seconded by Janine Preston, to adopt the following Consent Agenda Items as recommended by the superintendent:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Approve the minutes from the August 8, 2017 meeting.- Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approve the Treasurer's report dated July 2017.- Upon recommendation of the Superintendent, approve the revised tax warrant for the 2017-18 school year.- Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approve the CSE/ CPSE/ 504 committee recommendations as presented.

**Board Action
items**

Corrected Resolution for Emergency Wall Repair

RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION (THE “BOARD”) OF THE BELFAST CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT, ALLEGANY COUNTY, NEW YORK (THE “DISTRICT”) (A) CONFIRMING THE BOARD’S PRIOR DETERMINATION OF AN EMERGENCY RELATING TO THE BOWING OUTER WALL AT THE PRE-K THROUGH 12 SCHOOL BUILDING IN THE DISTRICT, (B) CONFIRMING THE BOARD’S PRIOR DECLARATION OF AN EMERGENCY AND AUTHORIZATION OF THE DEMOLITION AND REMOVAL OF COMPROMISED PARTS OF THE WALL, AND THE SUBSEQUENT RECONSTRUCTION THEREOF (COLLECTIVELY, “THE PROJECT”) AND (C) CLARIFYING AND CONFIRMING THE SOURCE OF THE INITIAL FUNDING FOR THE PROJECT

WHEREAS, the Belfast Central School District (the “District”) encountered in 2016 a situation involving the sudden, significant and unexpected impairment of the structural integrity of a masonry outer wall located at the District’s Pre-K through 12 school building, at 1 King Street, Belfast, New York (the “Wall”); and

WHEREAS, the Board of Education of the District (the “Board”) adopted, on February 6, 2017, a resolution declaring the above-described situation to be an emergency within the meaning of Section 103(4) of the General Municipal Law and authorizing an emergency capital improvements project to rectify such situation (the “Prior Emergency Declaration”); and

WHEREAS, the District has since undertaken a remedial capital project involving the demolition and removal of compromised parts of the Wall, the replacement of damaged materials, and the incorporation of corrective measures to account for building expansion and contraction (to prevent further damage and to prevent similar occurrences in the future), all in compliance with all applicable statutes, regulations and standards (collectively, the “Project”); and

WHEREAS, the District now seeks to clarify and confirm the source of the initial funding for the Project, in order to free up accelerated building aid for the Project from the State Education Department (“SED”);

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board hereby (A) confirms the Prior Emergency Declaration and (B) clarifies and confirms that all of the expenses associated with the Project (including, without limitation, actual construction/remediation costs, architectural and engineering costs, legal costs and all related incidental costs), all of which were previously declared by the Board to be contingent expenses, were funded through the application of available funds of the District, with no borrowed funds having been utilized; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Superintendent of Schools, the School District Treasurer, and other appropriate District officials be, and they hereby are, authorized to submit this resolution to SED, and to undertake any and all such additional actions as may be reasonably necessary for the District to obtain accelerated building aid from SED in connection with the Project, all in accordance with applicable New York State law.

The question of the adoption of the foregoing resolution was duly put to a vote, which resulted as follows:

AYES: Josie Preston, Randa Harrington, Becky Backer, Cecy Curcio, Chris Enders, Janine Preston, Patti Krotz

NOES: none

ABSENT: none

Motion by Patricia Krotz, seconded by Becky Backer, that the Board of Education of the Belfast Central School adopt the changes made to the Immunization Policy 7511 as presented.

Motion by Chris Enders, seconded by Janine Preston, that the Board of Education of the Belfast Central School approve the identified Board of Education Member(s) and District Leadership attendance at the Allegany Cattaraugus Association of School Boards Fall Dinner on September 28, 2017.

- The following individuals will attend the dinner:

Wendy Butler Ed.D., Superintendent

Josie Preston, BOE President

Randa Harrington, BOE Vice President

Cecy Curcio, Becky Backer, Patricia Krotz

Personnel

Resignation

Motion by Randa Harrington, seconded by Chris Enders to accept Coty Winchell's resignation as the modified boys' soccer coach.

Appointments

Motion by Randa Harrington, seconded by Cecy Curcio to approve personnel appointments as recommended by the superintendent, for the 2017-18 school year:

To appoint retroactively John Struckmann who has applied for a NYS Certificate permitting him to teach in the music area, to the position of Vocal Music Teacher in the music tenure area for a probationary period of four years, to commence August 28, 2017 and to end August 28, 2021. Eligibility for tenure at the end of the probationary period is dependent on Mr. Struckmann obtaining NYS certification as a music teacher and receiving APPR ratings of Effective or Highly Effective in 3 of 4 preceding years and no ineffective composite or overall ratings in the final year. The salary during the first year of this appointment will be paid in accordance with the salary schedule, at step G, as outlined in the Belfast Teachers' Collective Bargaining Agreement.

To approve Jessica Hess to be the CSE/ CPSE/ 504 Chairperson for the 2017-18 school year.

To approve Ronda Turner, who is employed by the CABOCES Central Business Office, to be the District Claims Auditor for the 2017-18 school year.

To approve LuAnn Blocho, who is employed by the CABOCES Central Business Office, to be the Deputy District Treasurer for the 2017-18 school year.

To approve Jordin Fuller to be the modified boys soccer coach (effective August 21, 2017) for the 2017-18 school year.

To approve Kayla Ross to be a volunteer volleyball assistant (effective August 14, 2017) for the 2017-18 school year.

To approve Matthew Snyder to be the Band Director for the 2017-18 school year.

To approve John Struckmann to be the Choir Director for the 2017-18 school year.

To approve Mary Beth Arnold and Charlotte Marsh to be the Middle School Student Council Co-Advisors for the 2017-18 school year. The stipend will be split equally.

To approve Teresa Heaney, Charlotte Marsh, Matthew Snyder, and John Struckmann to be the musical co-directors for the 2017-18 school year. The stipend will be split equally.

To approve substitute teacher appointments for the 2017-18 school year as follows:

Kaitlin Simons

Hayley Gelser

Jeremiah Blue - K-12 Physical Education & Health

Susan Carrier

To approve substitute bus monitor appointments for the 2017-18 school year as follows:

Patty Gughicello, Meredith Preston, Anne Krozs, Glenda McKelvey, Crystal Malota, Laura Duvall, Doris Warner, Heidi Ellsessor, Alexis Weaver, Jordin Fuller

To approve mentors for teachers hired during the 2017-18 school year as follows:

Jason Robichaud mentored by Mary Paulsen

Matthew Snyder mentored by Josh Hazelton

Christopher Enlow mentored by Carolyn Burr

Amy Morey mentored by MaryAnn Majoros

Kim La Greca mentored by Carrie Flanagan-Watson

John Struckmann mentored by Sandy Miller

Adjournment

Motion by Cecy Curcio, seconded by Chris Enders, to adjourn the meeting at 7:37 P.M.

Respectfully,
Gina Larrabee
District Clerk