

**BELFAST CENTRAL SCHOOL
BOARD OF EDUCATION MINUTES
September 8, 2020**

School Board Members Present:

Josie Preston, Board President, Randa Harrington, Board Vice President, Becky Backer, Dan Borden, Cecy Curcio(via zoom), Patricia Krotz

Members Absent: Chris Enders

District Personnel: Wendy Butler Ed. D, Superintendent, Robert Lingenfelter, Business Manager, Rick Bull, 5-12 Principal, Jessica Hess, PK-4/Director of Pupil Services, Gina Larrabee, District Clerk

Others: Michelle Calanni

At 5:31 p.m. the meeting came to order and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Auditor Presentation An independent audit review was presented by Buffamante Whipple Buttafaro. Auditors Adam Batesky and Sheyenne Gallmann joined the Belfast Board of Education meeting via zoom, and provided a review of their findings.

Financial Robert Lingenfelter presented the monthly reports: Treasurer's report, Budget Status and Revenue Status reports, July's warrants, and the Internal Claims audit report. He updated the Board on the CEP grant, this school years' state aid, and informed the Board of the Energy Enterprises heating bid award motion included on this agenda.

Leadership Reports Rick Bull spoke about the first days of school, stating there were a few hiccups, but he felt it went well. At the time of the meeting, there are 18 students participating in the fully remote learning program. Mr. Bull expressed an interest in forming a committee to gather opinion on accepting the Latin Honor System. Jessica Hess talked about the morning drop off, and reported all went well. She spoke with the Board about this year's One School-One Book event. This year's book is *Pirates Past Noon* by Mary Pope Osborne, and will be accompanied by a pirate theme. Mrs. Hess gave Board members a hand out, and presented information on the PEDALS (Positive Emotional Development and Learning Skills) Grant and Second Step. All appreciated the information. Wendy Butler shared with the Board a building project update, stating that many items are nearly complete. She stated that training is being provided on the new sound and light equipment. Dr. Butler talked with the Board about current rules relating to sport teams, and said there are Athletic Director meetings scheduled where she hopes to learn more. She said the Health Department has provided a daily report she will be using to share COVID-19 information with the department.

Consent Agenda Motion by Becky Backer, seconded by Randa Harrington, to adopt the following Consent Agenda Items as recommended by the superintendent:
Approved the minutes from the July 14 and August 19, 2020 meetings.
Approved the Treasurer's report dated July 2020.
Approved the CSE/ CPSE/ 504 recommendation as presented
Carried 6-0

Board Action Items Student Hearing delivery	Motion by Randa Harrington, seconded by Patricia Krotz, to hereby authorize the Superintendent or the Superintendent's designee to conduct remote student disciplinary hearings held pursuant to New York State Education Law 3214 by way of video conferencing; telephone testimony; or video conferencing and/or telephone testimony, as recommended by the Superintendent. Carried 6-0
Out of District	Motion by Randa Harrington seconded by Patricia Krotz to approve identified out of District student applications for the 20-21 school year, as recommended by the Superintendent. Carried 6-0 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lena Zerkowski • Ava Zerkowski • Kristopher McLaughlin • Alex McLaughlin • Owen Jablonski • Avery Hirsch • Aidan Hirsch
Independent Audit	Motion by Becky Backer, seconded by Randa Harrington, to accept the independent audit report as presented at the September 8, 2020, BOE meeting, as recommended by the superintendent. Carried 6-0
Heating Fuel Bid Award	Motion by Randa Harrington, seconded by Patricia Krotz, to award a one-year heating fuel bid award to Energy Enterprises with a bid of \$0.335, as recommended by the superintendent. Carried 6-0
BOE Learning/ Questions/Discussions	BOE Article: Article: <i>No, I'm not Color Blind</i>
PERSONNEL	Motion by Randa Harrington, seconded by Patricia Krotz, to approve the following personnel motions, as recommended by the Superintendent.
Appointments W. Marsh	Permanently appointed Wade Marsh to the positions of bus driver and automotive mechanic helper as of September 23, 2020.
Lead Evaluator	Approved certification of Wendy Butler, Jessica Hess, and Rick Bull as evaluators for the 20-21 school year, having completed the Lead Evaluator Refresher Training through CA BOCES.
Modified Soccer Coach	Appointed Joe DaHill as the boys' modified soccer coach for 20-21.
Full time cleaner	Appointed Natalie Ace to the civil service position of Cleaner effective September 11, 2020, pending finger print clearance. The rate of pay shall be \$12.50/hour, for the 2020-21 school year, as outlined in the School Related Personnel Collective Bargaining agreement.
Substitutes	To approve the following subs for the 20-21 school year: Instructional: Taylor Wiederrecht Non-Instructional: Logan Ennis, Brian Quinn

- Long Term Sub Bus driver** Appointed Bonnie Barber as a long-term substitute bus driver. The rate of pay will be \$13.80 an hour, for the 20-21 school year, as outlined in the School Related Personnel Collective Bargaining agreement.
Motions were unanimously carried.
- Executive Session** Motion by Josie Preston, seconded by Patricia Krotz, to move into executive session at 6:35pm to discuss personnel or legal matters for purposes specified in the open meeting law.

Motion by Patricia Krotz, seconded by Becky Backer, to move out of executive session at 7:05pm to discuss personnel or legal matters for purposes specified in the open meeting law.
- Adjournment** Motion by Patricia Krotz, seconded by Becky Backer, to adjourn the meeting at 7:06pm.