

**BELFAST CENTRAL SCHOOL
BOARD OF EDUCATION MINUTES
October 14, 2021 meeting**

School Board Members Present:

Josie Preston, Board President, Randa Harrington, Board Vice President, Becky Backer, Chris Enders, Patricia Krotz, Dan Borden

Members Absent: Cecy Curcio

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

Also present: Bruce Harrington, Jeremy Smith(via zoom, left 5:48pm)

At 5:29 p.m. the meeting was called to order and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Additions 6.5 Corrective Action Plan

Public Presentation Jeremy Smith, of Lumsden McCormick, presented the independent auditor review. Mr. Smith provided a high view as well as detailed analysis, and answered questions from Board members.

Financial Robert Lingenfelter presented the monthly reports: August Treasurer’s report, Budget Status and Revenue Status reports, August warrants, and the Internal Claims audit report. Mr. Lingenfelter presented the Corrective Action Plan, gave some insight into the auditor’s findings, and answered questions from Board members.

Leadership Reports Principal Rick Bull updated the Board on Homecoming activities. He stated the dance, which was held outdoors, was enjoyed by Belfast and Genesee Valley students alike. Mr. Bull shared that he is interested to have all BCS staff receive first aid training and is working to accomplish this goal.
Principal Jessica Hess stated Literacy Night was well attended and students brought lots of energy. Mrs. Hess shared the fall assessment data with the Board and talked about the change to the report card schedule. She spoke about what it will take to get students back to pre-COVID assessments and how long that might take.
Superintendent, Dr. Wendy Butler provided the Board with the 2020-21 3-8 ELA and Math assessment results. Dr. Butler also presented a COVID instructional time comparison, talked about the areas where students have struggles, and ways to alleviate stressors for students. Dr. Butler shared insight into graduation requirements. She presented the following policy updates for the Board to consider:

- o 3320 Public Expression at Meetings
- o 3310 Public Access to Records
- o 3430 DIVERSITY, EQUITY, AND INCLUSION IN THE DISTRICT
- o 5640 Smoking, Tobacco, and Cannabis (Marijuana) Use
- o 6150 Alcohol, Tobacco, Drugs, and Other Substances (Staff)
- o 6160 Professional Growth/Staff Development
- o 6213 Registration and Professional Learning
- o 7131 Education of Students in Temporary Housing
- o 7320 Alcohol, Tobacco, Drugs, and Other Substances (Students)

- o 7551 Sexual Harassment of Students
- o 8280 Instruction for English Language Learners

Dr. Butler reviewed the NYSCOSS Fall Conference and shared her enthusiasm to work with Dr. Joe Sanfelippo.

Consent Agenda Motion by Becky Backer, seconded by Chris Enders, to adopt the following Consent Agenda Items as recommended by the superintendent:
 Approve the minutes from the September 14, 2021 meeting.
 Approve the Treasurer’s report dated August 2021.
 Approve the CSE/ CPSE/ 504 committee recommendations as presented. Carried 6-0

Board Action Items Motion by Becky Backer, seconded by Randa Harrington, to accept the independent audit report as presented at the October 14, 2021, BOE meeting, as recommended by the superintendent. Carried 6-0
Independent Audit

Out of District Student Motion by Chris Enders, seconded by Dan Borden, to approve the identified student as out-of-district student for the 21-22 school year, as recommended by the superintendent.
 • Karlin Harrington Carried 6-0

Reserve Motion by Becky Backer, seconded by Chris Enders, to move \$145,000 to the Capital Reserve fund that was authorized by District voters in May 2019, as recommended by the superintendent Carried 6-0

ARP Stimulus Funding Project Authorization Motion by Becky Backer, seconded by Patricia Krotz, to authorization the use of federal CRRSA stimulus funds as identified below, as recommended by the superintendent.
 BE IT RESOLVED, that the Belfast Central School, will utilize federal ARP stimulus money to fund the following authorized expenditures consistent with all requirements, provisions and the available funding provided by the American Recovery Plan (ARP):

Summer Programming	Summer School Mini-Athletic Camps
After School	Transportation for New Athletics
Learning Loss/ Social Emotional Learning	Social Worker (two years) Elementary Teacher Speech Therapist (two years) Occupational Therapist (.5 two years) Professional Development
ESSER Expenditures:	HVAC Controls Replacement Rooftop Unit replacement Classroom Air Filtration System Air Quality Updates Asbestos Abatement

Carried 6-0

Corrective Action Plan Motion by Randa Harrington, and seconded by Chris Enders to approve the corrective action plan to address the findings of the independent auditor for the 2021-2022 audit, as recommended by the superintendent. Carried 6-0

Personnel

Motion by Randa Harrington, seconded by Chris Enders, to approve the following personnel motions, as recommended by the Superintendent.

- a. To appoint Jason Hamer as the Girls' JV basketball coach for the 21-22 school year.
- b. To approve the following substitutes for the 21-22 school year:
 - Stacy Beardsley (Instructional and Non-instructional)
 - Cheryl Oettinger (Non-instructional)
- c. To approve Joe Baker as a volunteer assistant cheerleading coach.
- d. To approve Jill Tomlinson as a book keeper for fall 2021.

Motions unanimously carried.

Executive Session

Motion by Randa Harrington, seconded by Patricia Krotz, to move into executive session at 6:40pm to discuss personnel or legal matters for purposes specified in the open meeting law. Bob Lingenfelter was invited, then left at 7:04pm. Carried 6-0

Motion by Becky Backer, seconded by Dan Borden, to move out of executive session at 7:49pm to discuss personnel or legal matters for purposes specified in the open meeting law. Carries 6-0

Adjournment

Motion by Becky Backer, seconded by Randa Harrington, to adjourn the meeting at 7:50pm. Carried 6-0