

BELFAST CENTRAL SCHOOL BOARD OF EDUCATION OFFICIAL MINUTES

Date: September 8, 2015

Kind of Meeting: Regular

Where Held: Auditorium

Presiding Officer: Richard Hull

Time: 6:30 p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Cecy Curcio, Chris Enders, Richard Hull, Jr., Janine Preston, Josie Preston

MEMBERS ABSENT: Patricia Krotz and Randa Harrington

OTHERS PRESENT: Judy May, Superintendent, Michael Roche, Principal, Robert Lingenfelter, District Treasurer; Josh Hazelton, Teachers' Association Representative (left at 7 p.m.)

At 6:31 p.m., President Hull called the meeting to order

Motion by Cecy Curcio, seconded by Josie Preston, that the Board of Education of the Belfast Central School upon the recommendation of the Superintendent approve the minutes of the August 11, 2015 regular meeting and the minutes of the August 31, 2015 special meeting as presented. Carried 5-0

Minutes

Motion by Chris Enders, seconded by Josie Preston, that the Board of Education of the Belfast Central School approve financial agenda items for the 2015-16 school year as follows:

To act upon the recommendation of the Superintendent to accept the treasurer's report for the month of July as presented

Treasurer's Report

To act upon the recommendation of the Superintendent to approve all budget transfers within parameters of Commissioner's Regulations Section 170.2 with quarterly accounting of transfers to be provided to the Board.

Budget transfers

Motions were unanimously carried.

Budget status and revenue status reports for July, July Warrant Reports and the Internal Claims Auditor's Report to the Board for July Warrants were reviewed.

Budget & revenue status, warrants, internal claims auditor's reports

The Board was notified of incidental teaching assignments for the 2015-16 school year as follows: Laura Brace and Ron Webb are teaching 6th grade social studies while certified at the 7-12 level.

Incidental teaching

Mr. Roche stated that the school year was off to a good start. He reported that there was a good turn out for the back-to-school night. Out of 150 7-12 schedules, 120 were handed out. Mrs. May discussed the PTO meeting prior to the Board meeting and that the PTO was happy with the success of back-to-school night. The Family Engagement Committee will be meeting again to discuss what's next. Mrs. May mentioned a group had helped with the baseball field. Board members expressed the belief that by helping the school, individuals in the community develop a sense of ownership for the school.

Start of year

Mrs. May shared the enrollment numbers and an update on both the building project and the Siemens energy performance project. Mrs. May reported that we received the okay to sign the contract with Siemens for the energy performance contract. Siemens wanted to write the contract with limited liability which is the reason the contract was held up, however, our lawyers resolved this issue. Clark Patterson Lee will be submitting the plans to the State Education Department now that the contract is settled. The project will probably not be finalized until approximately March of 2016. The allowance that was left over from the summer project will be used to fix sidewalks in front of the school and to repair the handicapped entrance. Mrs. May will be having a meeting with Clark Patterson to discuss the next phase of the project. Our phone systems are outdated and may be done as an emergency project before next summer. We will be switching to a VOIP system when the phone system is updated.

Enrollment Contract with Siemens and building project

Mrs. May supplied the Board with a schedule of fall sports games. She briefly mentioned the SEQRA that the Board would be approving later in the agenda, stating that it is for the energy performance contract. Mrs. May gave a brief update on the remaining roofs that have not been addressed and stated they will be addressed in the next phase of the project.

Falls sports SEQRA

Cecy Curcio made the motion, seconded by Janine Preston, that the Board of Education of the Belfast Central School upon the recommendation of the Superintendent approve attendance at the fall Allegany/Cattaraugus Association of School Boards meeting for the following: Richard Hull, Janine Preston, Cecy Curcio, and Judy May. Carried 5-0

ACASB fall meeting

Chris Enders made the motion, seconded by Cecy Curcio, that the Board of Education of the Belfast Central School approve the following personnel agenda items as presented:

To act upon the recommendation of the Superintendent to approve conditional appointment of Erica Torrey as a non-teaching substitute for the 2015-16 school year pending fingerprint clearance

Torrey substitute

To act upon the recommendation of the Superintendent to approve change from conditional appointment status due to fingerprint clearance for Wende Benson, part-time cleaner

Benson clearance

To act upon the recommendation of the Superintendent to approve appointment of teacher mentors for new teachers as follows: Darice Mullen will mentor Danielle Bainbridge and Derek Briggs will mentor Linda Stevens.

Mentors Bainbridge and Stevens

Motions were unanimously carried.

Janine Preston made the motion, seconded by Chris Enders, that the Board of Education of the Belfast Central School approve contractual agenda items as follows:

To act upon the recommendation of the Superintendent to approve the annual lease agreement with BOCES for distance learning classroom space

Distance learning classroom

To act upon the recommendation of the Superintendent to approve a contract sharing occupational therapy services with Bolivar-Richburg, Friendship & Scio for the 2015-16 school year

Shared OT services

To act upon the recommendation of the Superintendent to approve a contract with Friendship Central School sharing the cost of the special education classroom placement as approved on students' IEP's for the 2015-16 school year

Shared special education classroom

To act upon the recommendation of the Superintendent to approve a contract with Friendship Central School sharing transportation services to Elm Street Academy in Cuba for the 2015-16 school year

Shared transportation services to Elm Street with Friendship

Motions were unanimously carried.

Motion by Cecy Curcio, seconded by Josie Preston, that the Board of Education of the Belfast Central School upon the recommendation of the Superintendent approve out-of-district student attendance for Jon Elliott in prekindergarten. No tuition is required. Carried 5-0

Elliott out-of-district student

Chris Enders made the motion, seconded by Janine Preston, that the Board of Education of the Belfast Central School upon the recommendation of the Superintendent approve the following resolution designating lead agency status to the Belfast Central School District for the State Environmental Quality Review Act (SEQRA) for the proposed Belfast Central School District Energy Performance Project: Whereas, the Belfast Central School District, in an effort to improve its educational facilities, has initiated an Energy Performance Project; and Whereas, on July 14, 2015, the Belfast Central School District Board of Education took action to proceed with said project; and Whereas, the detailed energy audit prepared by Siemens Industry, Inc., provides a detailed description of the 2015 Energy Performance Project; and resolved, that the Belfast Central School District will act as the lead agency in the SEQRA review of the action for the proposed 2015 Energy Performance Project for the Belfast Central School District. Carried 5-0

SEQRA - lead agency

Chris Enders made the motion, seconded by Cecy Curcio, that the Board of Education of the Belfast Central School upon the recommendation of the Superintendent approve the following resolution classifying the proposed 2015 Energy Performance Project as a Type II action in accordance with SEQRA. Whereas, the Belfast Central School District is lead agency for the purpose of implementing the above referenced project, and Whereas, the Belfast Central School District has considered and reviewed the project, now therefore be it resolved, the Belfast Central School District, as the lead agency for purposes of this project, determines that the project is a Type II action for the purposes of SEQRA and be it further resolved, that as a consequence of such finding, the Belfast Central School District hereby determines that no additional actions are required in accordance with the requirements of SEQRA. Carried 5-0

SEQRA - Type II

Mrs. May commented on a health department notice regarding Legionnaires Disease. We have to flush the system by November and Mr. Schneider thought it might cost \$10,000. The project needs to be certified as it is required by the state.

Legionnaires causing flushing

At 6:59 p.m., Chris Enders made the motion, seconded by Janine Preston, to enter executive session to discuss personnel/staffing. Carried 5-0 (Board members and Mrs. May adjourned to the prekindergarten classroom)

At 8 p.m., Cecy Curcio made the motion, seconded by Josie Preston, to come out of executive session. Carried 5-0

At 8:03 p.m., Cecy Curcio made the motion, seconded by Chris Enders to adjourn the meeting. Carried 5-0