

BELFAST CENTRAL SCHOOL
BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING MINUTES
October 10, 2023

School Board Members Present: Ms. Becky Backer, Mr. Jonathan Barney, Mr. Chris Enders, Mrs. Randa Harrington, Mrs. Patricia Krotz, Mrs. Josie Preston

Absent: Mrs. Cecy Curcio

District Personnel: Wendy Butler Ed. D, Superintendent, Rick Bull, 5-12 Principal, Chelsey Aylor, PK-4 Principal/Director of Curriculum, Keegan Harrington, Business Manager, Gina Larrabee, District Clerk,

Others: Danielle Bainbridge, Colton Monroe of Lumsden McCormick

At 5:29 p.m. the meeting was called to order by Josie Preston, President.

Additions or Deletions	Agenda item 5.5 ERS Reserve and agenda item 5.6 IHO payment added.
Auditor Presentation	Colton Monroe, Lumsden McCormick gave a Financial Statement Audit presentation. Mr. Monroe gave a summary of fund revenue, fund expenditures, and provided a summary and reconciliation sheet. Mr. Monroe fielded questions from board members. Keegan Harrington and Dr. Butler added additional information about fund balances listed in the audit.
Financial	Keegan Harrington, Business Manager provided a hard copy of the auditor's presentation to each board member. Mr. Harrington provided the Budget Status and Revenue Status reports, August Warrants, and Internal Claims Audit report. Mr. Harrington spoke about new formatting for the Warrant and Internal Claims Auditor report.
Leadership Reports	Principal Rick Bull stated student participation during Homecoming week and the Homecoming dance was very high. Mr. Bull stated every student in 9th – 12th is participating in a math lab. He provided the Board with AIS numbers, and stated advisement is going strong to address other challenges. Principal Chelsey Aylor spoke about Literacy Night. She shared participation was good and students really enjoyed each activity. Mrs. Aylor spoke about AIS, the tier system, and requirements for each tier. She has a strong belief that solid blocks of instruction are very important and guides teachers toward schedules that promote them. Dr. Wendy Butler presented a report depicting grades over time demonstrating our student's continued improvement. She spoke about the Fire Safety plan on this month's agenda, and went through each section. Dr. Butler gave a demonstration of Viafy, a school bus app designed to help both BCS families and district personnel in a variety of ways. She spoke about the superintendent's conference and the law conference she recently attended, stating the law conference was exceptional. She shared discussions comparing special education plans for students. Dr. Butler gave a building project update. The Board discussed playground challenges.
Consent Agenda	Motion by Becky Backer, seconded by Patricia Krotz, adopted the following Consent Agenda Items as recommended by the superintendent: Approved the minutes from the September 12, 2023 meeting. Approved the CSE/ CPSE/ 504 committee recommendations as presented. <p style="text-align:right">Unanimously carried</p>
Board Actions Electric Bid Award	Motion by Patricia Krotz, seconded by Randa Harrington, awarded a one-year electric bid award to Energy Coop of America with a bid of \$0.02219 per kwh, as recommended by the superintendent. <p style="text-align:right">Carried 6-0</p>

Fire Safety Plan	Motion by Chris Enders, seconded by Randa Harrington, approved the District Fire Safety Plan as presented, as recommended by the superintendent.	Carried 6-0
23-24 Capital Outlay Project Contract	Motion by Randa Harrington, seconded by Chris Enders, approved the state contract price of 74,851.27 with Kircher Construction to complete the 2023-24 capital outlay project, as recommended by the superintendent.	Carried 6-0
Civil Service Substitute Positions	Motion by Becky Backer, seconded by Chris Enders, approved three health office assistant substitute positions per Civil Service Law, as recommended by the superintendent.	Carried 6-0
ERS Reserve	Motion by Jonathan Barney, seconded by Randa Harrington, approved funding the ERS Reserve for \$51,000 as of June 30, 2023, per the recommendation of the auditor, as recommended by the superintendent.	Carried 6-0
IHO Payment	Motion by Patricia Krotz, seconded by Chris Enders, set the compensation rate for a special education Impartial Hearing Officer at the state maximum hourly rate, as recommended by the superintendent.	Carried 6-0
PERSONNEL Appointments	Motion by Chris Enders, seconded by Randa Harrington, approved the following appointments, as recommended by the Superintendent.	
Substitutes	<p>Approved the following instructional substitutes for the 23-24 school year effective September 5, 2023:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lacie Fuller (non-certified) • Louise Barone (non-certified) • Carlee Miller (non-certified) <p>Approved the following non-instructional substitutes for the 23-24 school year effective September 5, 2023:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lacie Fuller (teacher aide, office) • Louise Barone (teacher aide) • Heather Jaycox (teacher aide, cafeteria, custodial) • Brooke Middaugh (teacher aide, cafeteria, custodial) 	
Coach	Approved Reina Laughlin as a co-modified cheerleading coach with Kayloni Preston.	
Mentor	Approved Sandy Miller to be Erin Arnold's mentor for the 23-24 school year.	
Volunteer coach	Approved Bron Norasethaporn to be a volunteer assistant boys' varsity basketball coach.	Unanimously carried.
ADJOURNMENT	Motion by Patricia Krotz, seconded by Jonathan Barney, adjourned the meeting at 6:43pm.	Carried 6-0

