



BARKER CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
Board of Education Meeting Minutes
Board Room
Monday, November 19, 2018

PRESENT R. Atwater, M. Clemens-Harris, H. Ecker, C. Gancasz, L. Mead, J. Sweeney, V. Voss

EXCUSED None

ALSO

PRESENT J. Reimer, K. Broderick-Cerrone, M. Carter, M. Eadie, D. Farese, C. Heiligenthaler, J. Hoar, E. Stockwell
Public: 1

CALL TO ORDER

President Atwater called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.
The Pledge to the flag was given.

ACCEPT MINUTES

Motion by Mr. Sweeney, seconded by Mrs. Clemens-Harris, to accept the minutes from the October 15, 2018 Regular meeting.

Yes: 6, No: 0

Motion carried.

Motion by Mrs. Clemens-Harris, seconded by Mr. Sweeney, to accept the minutes from the October 15, 2018 Audit Committee Meeting.

Yes: 6, No: 0

Motion carried.

PUBLIC FORUM

No items were brought forward.

Mrs. Voss joined the meeting at 7:03 PM

PRESENTATIONS

Biliteracy Seal Presentation

Mr. Carter introduced the District's foreign language teachers, Kate Broderick - Cerrone and Erin Stockwell, and noted that the Biliteracy Seal Program was initiated last year. Mss. Broderick - Cerrone and Stockwell then provided an overview of the Foreign Language Department's curriculum, requirements to receive the Biliteracy Seal at the time of graduation, as well as the benefits of students having bilingual capabilities in the workforce.

Elementary Update

Mr. Hoar provided an update on the Building Leadership Team, upcoming events, the recent implementation of additional security measures at school events. He noted that report cards were issued, and the quarterly assessments were given for each grade level which are being reviewed to determine areas where students may need additional attention.

Jr./Sr. High School Update

Mr. Carter provided an update on recent events in the Jr./Sr. High School, including the large District support of the Veterans Day Breakfast; student involvement and success in the music program, and a recent safety conference he attended with other members of the staff.

Financial Update

Ms. Heiligenthaler provided an overview of the proposed budget calendar for year 2019 – 2020. Mr. Reimer discussed timing of budget-related events, and reasoning for the potential need for an additional Board meeting in April.

Curriculum Update

Mrs. Farese discussed the agriculture education program and related activities, including a potential field trip as a result of a grant received. She discussed curriculum mapping and noted she would present a map at the December meeting for the Board. She then discussed the review of the assessment results; the implementation of Tech Tuesday emails to the staff; noted the approvals of the Title I, II and IV grants; and provided an enrollment update.

SUPERINTENDENT'S

INFORMATION Mr. Reimer discussed The Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA), which amended the No Child Left Behind Act, and the resultant reporting and curriculum requirements which the District has been implementing to ensure the staff is educated on next generation standards and what is necessary, as well as to have the District in compliance by the ESSA deadlines.

Mr. Reimer distributed two 5-year, zero-based projected budget analysis spreadsheets and discussed the revenue, expenses and fund balance with and without PILOT Agreements. He emphasized the impact of the fund balance numbers in the projections, and that the Board will need to determine its appropriate percentage to budget. The electronic version of this analysis tool is being finalized and will be distributed to the Board by month end. The Board asked questions and discussed the information provided. Mr. Reimer then requested that they send any additional questions and comments to him as they work through the five-year projection in preparation for the budget session which will take place in December.

Mr. Reimer discussed the approval of a 2-year COPS Grant which will have a positive impact by providing additional safety updates to the District, and also noted extra safety measures being implemented within District. He then discussed the option and related expense of having an SRO Officer at the District. The Board concurred to continue discussions on this subject and requested that more specific information about the role of an SRO, related expenses should be presented at the



December Board meeting. Mr. Reimer then talked about the SAFE Act SED Program grant for security and safety upgrades which the architects, SEI and Ms. Heiligenthaler are working on as part of the Capital Outlay Project.

Mr. Reimer discussed the foundation aide formula, underfunding of Barker's allocation, noted articles on the same he provided to the Board, some authored by Bob Lowry, and highlighted advocacy options for the Board's consideration prior to the March 2019 Albany legislative advocacy days. He stated that an increase in foundation aide would help to supplant the Somerset PILOT loss. The Board agreed to provide feedback to Mr. Reimer for further discussion.

Mr. Reimer presented the annual New York State School Board Association dues for consideration as it is a Board expense. The Board determined that it would not renew for this year.

POLICIES Upon motion by Mrs. Clemens-Harris, seconded by Mrs. Gancasz, to approve the following policies:

1. 1332 - Duties of the School District Treasurer;
2. 1333 - Duties of the Tax Collector;
3. 1334 - Duties of the External (Independent) Auditor;
4. 1335 - Appointment and Duties of the Claims Auditor;
5. 1336 - Duties of the Extraclassroom Activity Fund Central Treasurer;
6. 1337 - Duties of the School Attorney;
7. 1338 - Duties of the School Physician/Nurse Practitioner;
8. 1339 - Duties of the Internal Auditor;
9. 1410 - Policy and Administrative Regulations;

Yes: 7, No: 0

Motion carried.

The Board also reviewed the first reading of the following policies:

1. 1510 - Regular Board Meetings and Rules (Quorum and Parliamentary Procedure);
2. 1520 - Special Meetings of the Board of Education;
3. 1530 - Minutes;
4. 1540 - Executive Sessions;
5. 1610 - Annual District Meeting and Election/Budget Vote;
6. 1611 - Business of the Annual District Election;
7. 1620 - Annual Organizational Meeting;
8. 1630 - Legal Qualifications of Voters at School District Meetings; and
9. 1640 - Absentee Ballots.

Mr. Reimer provided information on various policies. With regard to Policy 1620, the Board agreed to amend the policy to take into consideration scheduling the date of the reorganizational meeting pending the date a legal holiday falls on as allowed.

Upon motion by Mrs. Ecker, seconded by Mrs. Voss, to approve the following policies:

1. 5413 – Procurement: Uniform Grant Guidance for Federal Awards;
2. 5551 – Allocation of Title I, Part A Funds in the District; and



3. 7133 – Education of Students in Foster Care.

Yes: 7, No: 0

Motion carried.

Mr. Atwater presented the first reading of the Naming of School District Facilities for consideration which would become policy 3282 or 5633, and asked the Board to provide any additional feedback to Mr. Reimer prior to the December meeting.

EDUCATION Motion by Mrs. Clemens-Harris, seconded by Mr. Sweeney, to approve the overnight Choral Area All State Competition in Fredonia, NY on Friday, November 16, 2018 - Saturday, November 17, 2018.

Yes: 7, No: 0

Motion carried.

Motion by Mrs. Clemens-Harris, seconded by Mr. Sweeney, to approve the overnight American Field Service Club (AFS) Short-term Exchange from Wednesday, March 20 - Sunday, March 24, 2019 to Manhattan High School in Manhattan, Kansas, with the Manhattan students visiting the Barker District from Thursday, March 28, 2019 - Monday, April 1, 2019.

Yes: 7, No: 0

Motion carried.

PERSONNEL

ITEMS Motion by Mrs. Clemens-Harris, seconded by Mrs. Ecker, to approve the appointment of Lynda Neal as a Substitute Food Service Worker effective November 20, 2018 at a rate of \$10.40 per hour.

Yes: 7, No: 0

Motion carried.

Motion by Mrs. Clemens-Harris, seconded by Mrs. Ecker, to approve the appointment of the following individuals for the 2018 - 2019 Winter sports season at a rate in accordance with the BTU Agreement:

1. Varsity Swimming: Michael Gendrue, Step 4;
2. Assistant Varsity Swimming: Brianne Strong, Step 1;
3. Varsity Swimming: Bill Wilson, Volunteer;
4. JV Girls Basketball: Paula Bachman, Volunteer; and
5. JV & Varsity Boys Basketball: Brett Cole, Volunteer.

Yes: 7, No: 0

Motion carried.

Motion by Mrs. Clemens-Harris, seconded by Mrs. Ecker, to approve the correction in Step for the following sports appointments for the Winter sports season of the 2018 - 2019 school year at a rate in accordance with the BTU Agreement, previously approved October 15, 2018:

1. Modified Girls Basketball: Sharon Lamb from Step 1 to Step 4; and
2. JV Boys Basketball: Jim Harris from Step 4 to Step 3.

Yes: 7, No: 0

Motion carried.

Motion by Mrs. Clemens-Harris, seconded by Mrs. Ecker, to approve the following parent/community volunteers:

1. Amy Julian; and
2. Lillian Lodwick.



Yes: 7, No: 0

Motion carried.

Motion by Mrs. Clemens-Harris, seconded by Mrs. Ecker, to approve the appointments for the 2019 musical theater production of Mama Mia to be presented March 15-17, 2019:

1. Musical Producer/Director: Cheryl Johnson, Category A, Step 4;
2. Orchestra Director: Jeff Rappold, Category C, Step 4;
3. Vocal Director: Sandra Lewis, Category D, Step 2;
4. Technical Theater/Lighting: James Luckman, Category E, Step 4;
5. Production Assistant (Sound): William Bodine, Category E, Step 4;
6. Production Assistant (Set Building): Paul Oliveria*, Category E, Step 2;
and
7. Accompanist: Rachel A. Anderson*, Stipend - \$700.00.

*Subject to background check and fingerprint clearance

Yes: 7, No: 0

Motion carried.

Motion by Mrs. Clemens-Harris, seconded by Mrs. Ecker, to approve the resignation with commendation and regret of Nicole Huntington as a Teaching Assistant and Class of 2022 Advisory effective Friday, November 23, 2018.

Yes: 7, No: 0

Motion carried.

Motion by Mrs. Clemens-Harris, seconded by Mrs. Ecker, to approve the appointment of Drew Burke as the Class of 2022 Advisor for the 2018 - 2019 school year, effective November 20, 2018 at a salary in accordance with the BTU Agreement, prorated at Category D, Step 4.

Yes: 7, No: 0

Motion carried.

Motion by Mrs. Clemens-Harris, seconded by Mrs. Ecker, to approve the adjustment to the appointment of Cheryl Tasker, probationary ENL Teacher effective October 29, 2018. Initial certificate in English to Speakers of Other Languages and Initial certificate in Spanish Grades 5 - 9. Probationary period effective October 29, 2018 through October 28, 2022. The expiration date is tentative and conditional only. In order to be eligible for and considered for tenure, the employee must meet all requirements of the Educational Law and corresponding regulations. Annual salary rate of \$46,233.

Yes: 7, No: 0

Motion carried.

BUSINESS & FINANCIAL

ITEMS

Motion by Mr. Sweeney, seconded by Mr. Mead, to accept the Warrant Report dated November 19, 2018.

Yes: 7, No: 0

Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Sweeney, seconded by Mr. Mead, to approve the 2019-2020 Budget Calendar with the change from a specific April 29 special board meeting being scheduled to a potential special meeting in April to be determined.

Yes: 7, No: 0

Motion carried.



Motion by Mr. Sweeney, seconded by Mr. Mead, to approve the resolution pertaining to the 2018 – 2019 SEQR Capital Outlay Project:

WHEREAS, the Board of Education of the Barker Central School District desires to embark upon the District Proposed Project as listed as Attachment A hereto; and

WHEREAS, said Project is subject to classification under the State Environmental Quality Review Act (SEQR); and

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Barker Central School District hereby declares itself lead agency in connection with the requirements of SEQR; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Barker Central School District has examined all information related to the Project and has determined that the Project as a whole listed as Attachment A is classified a Type II action in accordance with 6 NYCRR Section 617.5 (c)(1) which constitutes the “maintenance or repair involving no substantial changes in an existing structure or facility” and is therefore not subject to review under 6 NYCRR Part 617.

Attachment A – Capital Outlay Project:

Replacement and modification of sidewalks and curbing at existing entrances and replacement of hardware at exterior and interior doors.

Yes: 7, No: 0

Motion carried.

END OF PUBLIC

SESSION Motion by Mrs. Clemens-Harris, seconded by Mrs. Gancasz, to end the Public Session and enter into Executive Session for the purpose of discussing the Superintendent’s evaluation and upcoming negotiations at 8:37 PM.

Yes: 7, No: 0

Motion carried.

EXECUTIVE

SESSION Motion by Mrs. Clemens-Harris, seconded by Mr. Sweeney, to approve the adjournment of the Executive Session at 9:35 PM and return to Public Session.

Yes: 7, No: 0

Motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Mr. Mead, seconded by Mrs. Gancasz, to approve the adjournment of the meeting at 9:36 PM.

Yes: 7, No: 0

Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary H. Eadie
District Clerk