

Date: Monday, November 19, 2018

Type of Meeting: Brasher Falls Central School District
Regular Board of Education Meeting

Place: St. Lawrence Central MS/HS Library
6:00 P.M.

Members Present: Mary-Margaret Bellinger, Seth Belt, Sarah Bowles, Nereida Diaz-Fuentes, Robert Dow, Katina Meacham, and Bethany St. Hilaire.

Members Absent: Nance Arquiett and Abdo Bejjani

Administrators Present: Robert Stewart, Superintendent of Schools; Karen Locey, Business Manager; Johnathan Hirschey, Elementary Principal; Chris Rose, Middle School Principal; Kristen Zender, High School Principal; Katherine LaVigne, Admin. Dir. of Student Services; and Timothy Redmond, Transportation/Building & Grounds Supervisor.

District Clerk: Cindy Delisle

Others Present: Beth Nezezon, Megan Vanderbrook and Phil Squadrito, King and King Architects; and Ben Chapman

Seth Belt, President, called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Seth Belt, President, led in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Presentation: Beth Nezezon presented a slideshow explaining what the Extended Day Program offers our grades 5 – 8 students three days every week.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion made by Nereida Diaz-Fuentes, seconded by Bethany St. Hilaire, that the Board of Education approves the agenda for this Regular Board of Education meeting.

Yeas: 7 Nays: 0
Motion Carried

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion made by Robert Dow, seconded by Mary-Margaret Bellinger, that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of Mr. Stewart, Superintendent of Schools, approves the minutes of the October 15, 2018 Regular Board of Education meeting, as per enclosure.

Yeas: 7 Nays: 0
Motion Carried

REPORTS

Mr. Stewart introduced Megan Vanderbrook and Phil Squadrito; Ms. Vanderbrook provided a presentation updating the Board on the Capital Building Projects, in particular, Phase I and Phase II. Mrs. Diaz-Fuentes asked how the phases were decided upon. Ms. Vanderbrook explained the thought process and SED approval timelines.

Mr. Rose provided a handout for his presentation; it was a Summary of the slides in his presentation. Mr. Rose explained his report, the results from iReady testing compared to the results from the State Assessments.

Mr. Hirschey also reported on iReady. He stated in the elementary school, the students will be tested (a ten minute test) every month and still have the big tests three times per year. These results are used to provide the students with the

assistance they need for understanding and growth. He tried to provide a sampling of iReady with the Chromebooks; however, most Board members were timed out. Mr. Dow asked for clarification on iReady and Mr. Hirschey provided the information.

No questions for Mrs. Locey, Mrs. Zender, or Mrs. LaVigne.

Mr. Redmond reviewed the bussing procedures. Mrs. Diaz-Fuentes asked for clarification on bussing on dead-end streets.

Policy Reading – The Board of Education is presented with the second reading of the required revisions of the following policy by State or Federal Law and/or Regulation:

Non-Instructional/Business Operations #5413
Personnel #6121

BOARD COMMUNICATIONS

None

ACTION ITEMS

FINANCIAL REPORTS

Motion made by Bethany St. Hilaire, seconded by Katina Meacham, that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of Robert Stewart, Superintendent of Schools, accepts the following financial reports:

- Treasurer's Report – October 2018
- Claims Auditor Report – October 2018
- Revenue Status Reports – October 2018
- Budget Status Reports – October 2018
- Budget Transfers – October 2018
- 2019-2020 Budget Calendar
- Correction Action Plan/External Audit
- Tax Collector Unpaid Taxes Reports

Yeas: 7 Nays: 0

Motion Carried

FOR INFORMATION ONLY:

- Warrant/Check Register – October 2018
- Dashboard Report – November 2018

POLICY REVISIONS

Motion made by Katina Meacham, seconded by Bethany St. Hilaire, Motion that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of Mr. Stewart, Superintendent of Schools, adopts the revisions of the following policies by State or Federal Law and/or Regulation:

Non-Instructional/Business Operations #5413
Personnel #6121

Yeas: 7 Nays: 0

Motion Carried

SCHOOL BUS SCHEDULING & ROUTING PROCEDURES

Motion made by Bethany St. Hilaire, seconded by Sarah Bowles, Motion that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of Mr. Stewart, Superintendent of Schools, adopts the School Bus Scheduling and Routing Procedures.

Yeas: 7 Nays: 0

Motion Carried

SENIOR TRIP

Motion made by Katina Meacham, seconded by Sarah Bowles, that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of Robert Stewart, Superintendent of Schools, approves the Class of 2019 Senior Trip to Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, May 24 – 26, 2019.

Yeas: 7 Nays: 0
Motion Carried

SLC MONETARY CONTRIBUTIONS

Motion made by Bethany St. Hilaire, seconded by Katina Meacham, that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of Robert Stewart, Superintendent of Schools, accepts the following monetary gifts:

- Harold Wilson & Sons, Inc – \$75.00 for the St. Lawrence Central Scholarship Fund in memory of Kyle Cootware;
- Julia Best - \$5,000.00 for the St. Lawrence Central Scholarship fund in memory of Michael Best.

Yeas: 7 Nays: 0
Motion Carried

CSE/CPSE/SECTION 504 CLASSIFICATIONS AND PLACEMENTS

Motion made by Katina Meacham, seconded by Bethany St. Hilaire, that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of Mr. Stewart, Superintendent of Schools, approves CSE, CPSE, and Section 504 classifications and placements, as per enclosures.

Yeas: 7 Nays: 0
Motion Carried

SUBSTITUTE APPOINTMENTS

Motion made by Bethany St. Hilaire, seconded by Robert Dow, that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of Mr. Stewart, Superintendent of Schools, appoints the following individuals in their respective substitute positions for the 2018-2019 school year, pending security clearance:

- **Samantha Page** – Teacher, Teacher Assistant and Teacher Aide
- **Samantha Black** – Teacher and Teacher Assistant
- **Tanya Brothers** – Teacher and Teacher Assistant
- **Nichelle Burnett** – Teacher
- **Bruce Truax** – Teacher and Teacher Assistant

Yeas: 7 Nays: 0
Motion Carried

EXTRA CURRICULAR APPOINTMENTS

Motion made by Katina Meacham, seconded by Bethany St. Hilaire, that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of Mr. Stewart, Superintendent of Schools, approves the extra-curricular positions of clock operators for winter sports to **Christian Normile, Matthew Fowler and Colleen Thayer.**

Yeas: 7 Nays: 0
Motion Carried

ADULT VOLUNTEER

Motion made by Katina Meacham, seconded by Bethany St. Hilaire, that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of Mr. Stewart, Superintendent of Schools, approves **Jessica McCarthy** as Adult Volunteer for the Musical for the 2018-2019 school year.

Yeas: 7 Nays: 0
Motion Carried

APPOINTMENT

Motion made by Robert Dow, seconded by Bethany St. Hilaire, that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of Mr. Stewart, Superintendent of Schools, appoints **Matthew Snyder** to a probationary appointment in the tenure area of Music Teacher, effective as of January 7, 2019 and to expire on January 6, 2023 (unless extended in accordance with the law). This expiration date is tentative and conditional only. Except to the extent required by the applicable provisions of Section 3012 of the Education Law, in order to be granted tenure, the teacher must receive composite or overall annual professional performance review ratings pursuant to Section 3012-c and/or 3012-d of the Education Law of either effective or highly effective in at least three (3) of the four (4) preceding years, and if the teacher receives an ineffective composite or overall rating in the final year of the probationary period, the teacher shall not be eligible for tenure at that time. This appointment is at Step 2 of the Teachers' Contract.

Yeas: 7 Nays: 0
Motion Carried

ADJOURNMENT

Motion made by Katina Meacham, seconded by Bethany St. Hilaire, that the Board of Education, resolves that the Board of Education adjourns at 7:06 p.m.

Yeas: 7 Nays: 0
Motion Carried

Respectfully,

Cindy Delisle
District Clerk