

**Bainbridge-Guilford Central School
Board of Education Meeting Minutes
February 16, 2017**

President Emily Hall called the February 16, 2017, meeting of the Board of Education to order at 6:32 PM in the District Conference Room. Call to Order

Board members in attendance were Emily Hall, Jeanne Shields, Gary Smith and Kay Striegler. Keith Hanvey and Rebecca Sullivan were excused. Tina Ammon arrived at 7:48 PM. Board Members in Attendance

Administrators in attendance were Tim Ryan and Jen Henderson. Administrators in Attendance

On a motion by Jeanne Shields, seconded by Gary Smith, the Board of Education voted to go into executive session at 6:32 PM to discuss the potential appointment of a particular person, negotiations and CSE. Yes –4, No – 0. Carried. Executive Session

On a motion by Gary Smith, seconded by Kay Striegler, the Board of Education voted to return to open session at 7:03 PM. Yes –4, No – 0. Carried. Open Session

On motion by Jeanne Shields, seconded by Kay Striegler, the Board of Education voted to approve the evening’s revised agenda adding the instructional calendar change as item “D” under New Business. Yes –4, No – 0. Carried. Order of the Agenda Established & Approved

There were no Guest comments this evening. Guest Comments

After reviewing the recommendation and documentation setting forth the recommendation, including a review of the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, and seeing that the appropriate safeguard rights were provided to the parent, the Board of Education took the following action on the following: CSE Recommendations and Approval

- Amendment with no meeting of: None
- CSE minutes of: 02/02/17
- CPSE minutes of: None
- Subcommittee minutes of: None
- 504 Minutes: 01/12/2017, 02/02/17
- Related Services: 02/17/2017

On motion by Kay Striegler, seconded by Gary Smith, the Board of Education reviewed and arranged for the appropriate special education placements. Yes – 4, No – 0. Carried.

The LINKS committee report was presented from the meeting on February 6, 2017. Understanding and implementation of the RTI concept was discussed. The importance of embracing RTI in the District was stressed. Reports and Presentations

Mr. Ken Starr presented information to the Board on the options regarding Bus Leasing. Cost comparison and maintenance savings were discussed. The District is looking into this option for the next school year.

Mr. Howard Thompson reported on the Health & Safety Committee meeting held on January 18. Topics included: Route 206 Traffic Crossing, Lead Testing Results, Incident Command Teams, Capital Project Scope Items, Student Accident reports, and the Utica National Safety Award.

A summary of the event hosted by the Chenango County School Board Association on February 7, 2017 was presented. The topic was Superintendent Evaluations and was attended by School Board Presidents, School Board Vice Presidents, the District Superintendent from DCMO BOCES and Legal Counsel from Madison-Oneida BOCES. Superintendents were invited to attend. The CCSBA is looking for ideas for more events like this in the future.

Mr. Ryan reported on the following topics:

- Emergency closing day status. Since the District has used all six snow days as of this week, school will be in session next Thursday and Friday (2/23 and 2/24). Most Districts in this region are making the same decision. Attendance may be light on those days.
- The Capital Project community speaking engagements are well received and have been very positive. As of this week, half of the twenty two planned engagements have been completed.
- A tour of the Raymond facility was reported to the Board. The District would like to start a MIG welding program. Raymond has offered to donate welding equipment and provide employee evaluation tools. More planning is necessary to offer a certified program.
- The District will be asking the Board to approve hiring a full time Occupational Therapist for the next school year. Due to the need in the District, it will be more cost effective to hire than use part-time equivalents through BOCES.
- The meeting with Lourdes Hospital was cancelled due to weather this week and has been rescheduled for March. It was requested that they provide a cost for all the services that the District needs.
- B-G is on the AP Honor Roll! This distinction is based on AP scores and on the number of students participating in AP courses.
- Graduation Rate data was in the Daily Star this week. BG is at 93% which is up from the year before and well above the state average of 79%.

On a motion by Tina Ammon, seconded by Gary Smith, the Board of Education voted to approve the following financial reports:

Business Office

- Treasurer's Report for January.
- Internal Claims Auditors Report dated 1/22/17 and 2/5/17.
- Student Activities Report for January.
- Financial Reports for January.

Yes-5, No-0. Carried. (See Attachment #1-4)

On a motion by Kay Striegler, seconded by Tina Ammon, the Board of Education voted to approve the 2017 Budget Information Committee members as presented.

Yes-5, No-0. Carried. (See Attachment #5)

On a motion by Gary Smith, seconded by Kay Striegler, the Board of Education voted to approve the revised Budget Appropriation Transfers as presented.

Yes-5, No-0. Carried. (See Attachment #6)

On a motion by Kay Striegler, seconded by Gary Smith, the Board of Education voted to approve to declare a vehicle surplus to current needs as presented.

Yes-5, No-0. Carried. (See Attachment #7)

The following communications were presented to the Board:

Communications

- Information on the Mental Health Seminar hosted by Utica National
- Parent question regarding teacher evaluations in "specials". Parents should make contact the Superintendent when making a request for a teacher evaluation.

- Parent questions regarding classroom disruptions by students with disabilities. Parents should contact the classroom teacher and the Special Education Administrator with their concerns.

On a motion by Gary Smith, seconded by Kay Striegler, the Board of Education approved the open meeting minutes of 2/2/2017. Yes-5, No-0. Carried.

Old Business

Opioid Overdose Prevention Training will be held on April 3, 4, and 5, 2017. Child care and refreshments will be provided. Sign-up sheets will be available at the Dinner, Dessert and Direct Talk on Drug Abuse event to be held on March 16, 2017. Due to the time of this event, the Board of Education meeting that evening will be held in Bainbridge at 8:00 PM.

On a motion by Tina Ammon, seconded by Kay Striegler, the Board of Education approved the following policies:

Section 8000 Instruction

- 8001 – School Year and School Day
- 8002 – Census
- 8100 – Grade Placement, Retention and Promotion (REQUIRED)
- 8101 – Graduation Credentials (REQUIRED)
- 8200 – Home Instruction
- 8200.1 – Home School Students Participation in Extracurricular Activities (SUPT. APPROVE)
- 8201 – Homebound Instruction
- 8201.2 – Homebound Instruction (SUPT. APPROVE)
- 8201.2 – Homebound End of Year Report (SUPT. APPROVE)
- 8202 – Instructional Programs
- 8203 – Courses Including Dissection of Animals (REQUIRED)
- 8204 – Limited English Proficiency Instruction English Language Learners
- 8204.1 - Limited English Proficiency Instruction English Language Learners (SUPT. APPROVE)
- 8300 – Selection of Textbooks and Resource Materials
- 8301 – Student Schedules and Course Loads
- 8302 – Instructional Technology
- 8303 – Guidance Programs
- 8304 – Public Complaints about Curricula or Instructional Material
- 8304.1 - Public Complaints about Curricula or Instructional Material (SUPT. APPROVE)
- 8304.2 – Request for Reevaluation of Instructional Materials (SUPT. APPROVE)

Yes-5, No-0. Carried.

The following policies were presented to the Board for a first reading:

New Business

- 8400 – Special Education Programs and Services
- 8401 – Pre-referral and Declassification Teams
- 8402 – Programs for SWD under Section 504 of the Federal Rehabilitation Act of 1973
- 8403 – Independent Educational Evaluations
- 8403.1 – REGULATION – Independent Educational Evaluations
- 8404 – Preschool Special Education
- 8405 – Skills and Achievement Commencement Credential
- 8406 – Selection, Appointment and Compensation of Impartial Hearing Officers
- 8406.1 – REGULATION - Selection, Appointment and Compensation of Impartial Hearing Officers
- 8500 - Accommodation of Hearing Impaired Parents
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- 8501 – Parent and Family Engagement in Title I Programs
- 8501.1 – REGULATION – Annual Notification of Teacher Qualifications
- 8600 – Parent Teacher Conferences
- 8601 – Equivalence in Instructional Staff and Materials
- 8602 – Special Education Personnel
- 8603 – Time-Out Room
- 8604 – Public Report on Revisions to District Policies, Practices and Procedures Upon a Finding of Significant Disproportionality

On a motion by Kay Striegler, seconded by Jeanne Shields, the Board of Education voted to approve the Memorandum of Agreement with Liberty Partnership. Yes-5, No-0. Carried. (See Attachment #8)

On a motion by Kay Striegler, seconded by Gary Smith, the Board of Education voted to approve the following resolution:

**RESOLUTION OF THE BAINBRIDGE-GUILFORD CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
FOR ADDITION OF EX OFFICIO STUDENT BOARD MEMBER TO
BOARD OF EDUCATION**

WHEREAS, the Bainbridge-Guilford Central School District seeks to add a student member as an ex officio member of the Board of Education, pursuant to section 1804(12) of the Education Law; and

WHEREAS, the addition of a student member to the Board of Education requires approval by the qualified voters of the District through a separate referendum offered on the same date as the annual District budget vote;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Education of Bainbridge-Guilford Central School District as follows:

1. That the following proposition be placed before the voters at the next annual District meeting:
“Should a high school senior student be designated to serve as an ex officio member of the Board of Education, and thereby be entitled to sit with Board Members at all its public meetings, and participate therein, but without the authority to vote on matters before the Board or to attend executive sessions?”
2. If the foregoing proposition is approved by the District voters, the District shall thereafter establish a process for student membership selection pursuant to section 1804(12)(c) of the Education Law.
3. This Resolution shall take effect immediately.

Yes-5, No-0. Carried. (See Attachment #9)

On a motion by Gary Smith, seconded by Tina Ammon, the Board of Education voted to approve the following change to the District Calendar to reflect February 23 and February 24 as days of instruction for all students. Yes-5, No-0. Carried.

On a motion by Gary Smith, seconded by Kay Striegler, the Board of Education voted to approve the following certified personnel recommendations:

Personnel

- The appointment of Cathryn Mercurio to the position of substitute Teacher. Background check is complete.
- The appointment of Corey Mohrien to the position of substitute Teacher. Background check is complete

Yes-5, No-0. Carried.

On a motion by Gary Smith, seconded by Kay Striegler, the Board of Education voted to approve the following non-certified personnel recommendations:

- The appointment of Michael DeBetta, Jr. to the position of PT Substitute Cook Manager retroactive to February 6, 2017. Background check is complete.
- The appointment of Kathy Chapin to the position of PT Teacher Aide. Background check is complete.
- The appointment of Colleen Davis to the position of Open Computer Lab Chaperone for 2 hrs/day; one day per week.

Yes-5, No-0. Carried.

On a motion by Kay Striegler, seconded by Gary Smith, the Board of Education voted to approve the following sports personnel recommendations:

- Request approval of Christine Oliver, Dave Keller and Phylcia Dunham-Fleming as Time Keeper/Score Keeper.
- The appointment of Nanci Miller - Volunteer Softball Coach.

Yes-4, No-0. Carried.

The following Planning items were discussed:

Planning

Board Events

- Feb 16 – Policy Committee @ 5:30 PM
- Feb 27 – Budget Information Committee
- March 13 – Budget Information Committee
- Capital Project Info Meetings (see schedule)
- Two BOE seats (Smith and Shields) expiring in June

School Events

- Feb 16- Chicken & Biscuit Dinner 4-7 PM @ Greenlawn
- Feb 17 - Superintendent Coffee – HS @ 8:00 AM
- Feb 17 – Greenlawn Winter Olympics

The Board requested that the Re-Organizational in July be moved to the second week of July.

On a motion by Gary Smith, seconded by Jeanne Shields, the Board of Education voted to adjourn 9:13 PM. Yes – 5, No – 0. Carried.

Adjournment

Respectfully Submitted,

Susan L. Weibel
District Clerk