## Bainbridge-Guilford Central School Board of Education Meeting Minutes February 4, 2021

President Keith Hanvey called the February 4, 2021 meeting of the Board of Education to order at 6:31 PM in the District Conference Room.

Call to Order

Board members in attendance were Keith Hanvey and Tim Suda. Tina Ammon, Shelly Bartow, Emily Hall, Jeanne Shields and student BOE member Ryan Porter participated via ZOOM. Rebecca Sullivan arrived in ZOOM at 6:35 PM.

Board Members in Attendance

The administrator in attendance was Tim Ryan. Business Manager Janice Rideout, William Zakrajsek, Jen Henderson, Linda Maynard and Scott Graham participated via ZOOM.

Administrators in Attendance

On a motion by Tim Suda, seconded by Shelly Bartow, the Board of Education voted to go into executive session at 6:32 PM to discuss CSE recommendations and the employment history of a particular person known to the Board of Education. Yes-6, No-0. Carried.

**Executive Session** 

On a motion by Tim Suda, seconded by Shelly Bartow, the Board of Education voted to return to open session at 6:57 PM. Yes-7, No-0. Carried.

Open Session

On motion by Shelly Bartow, seconded by Jeanne Shields, the Board of Education voted to approve the evening's revised agenda. Yes-7, No-0. Carried.

Order of the Agenda Established & Approved

Ms. Colleen Head presented the proposed budget for the Special Education Department for the 2021-22 school year. Programs are strong and solid in the self-contained classrooms and we can start to accept students from other districts and receive revenue for those students.

Reports and Presentations

The principals reported on activities in their buildings including celebrations, collaborations, and academics. Very positive reports on teachers and students navigating the unusual circumstances in this school year.

Mr. Ryan reported on the following items:

- The Finance Committee meeting was postponed due to the weather this week. Will either reschedule for next week or just have a longer meeting on February 23.
- The Greenlawn entrance renovation is scheduled for the April vacation week.
- Meal delivery will start again the end of February. Families will be asked to sign up.
- We have used four of the six emergency closing days allocated for this school year. We like
  to keep two days for unforeseen emergencies, so the next inclement weather day will be a
  virtual instruction day for students.
- The District is participating in a mental health grant that focusses on the mental health stress in children. Chenango County Mental Health and several districts in the area are participating. This program could run in conjunction with the After School Care program this fall
- Emily Hall will represent the BOE in the BGTA contract negotiations on March 3,4, and 5. Keith Hanvey will represent the BOE in the BGSSA negotiations on March 17, 18, and 19. They will report back to the BOE on March 4 and 18. Ramona Wenck will be the Labor Relations representative for the District.
- The Governor has given permission for all school sports to re-open on February 1st however, individual County Health Departments are determining the COVID parameters required for safe participation. Sports have been classified as High, Moderate or Low risk. The percentage of COVID cases in a county will determine the level of testing and whether games can be played. Spectators will not be allowed except for Senior night and will be limited to two per player. Games will be filmed. The focus at this time will be a short 8 game Varsity and JV Basketball season and a four game modified Basketball season.
- The district has been informed this week that we will be receiving all of our state aid from

last year. This is good news as we plan the next budget.

- Senator Akshar invited Mr. Ryan to participate in a discussion regarding the changes proposed in state aid in the coming school year.
- Work continues on determining a budget number and the tax cap for the 2021-22 school year. Mandated expenses incurred due the COVID pandemic will be highlighted in budget presentations.
- According to Student BOE member Ryan Porter, students are excited to have sports re-open.

Community members are encouraged to contact Mr. Timothy Ryan at tryan@bgcsd.org with questions and concerns.

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:

CSE minutes of: NoneCPSE minutes of: 1/21/21

• Subcommittee minutes of CSE: 1/05/21

• 504 Minutes: None

On a motion by Jeanne Shields, seconded by Emily Hall, the Board of Education reviewed and arranged for the appropriate special education placements.

Yes-7, No-0. Carried.

On a motion by Tina Ammon, seconded by Jeanne Shields, the Board of Education voted to approve the following certified personnel:

- The resignation of Mackenzie Henry, Elementary Teacher, effective March 21, 2021.
- The resignation of Kara Ackley, Secondary Math Teacher, effective January 31, 2021

Yes-7, No-0. Carried.

On a motion by Jeanne Shields, seconded by Shelly Bartow, the Board of Education voted to approve the following non-certified personnel:

- The appointment of Laura Hoover to the position of Typist PT Sub effective 2/5/2021. Background check is complete.
- The appointment of Laura Hoover to the position of Teacher Aide PT Sub effective 2/5/2021.
   Background check is complete.
- For the Superintendent to sign the Settlement Agreement with Rebecca Palmer as presented.

Yes-7, No-0. Carried.

On a motion by Jeanne Shields, seconded by Emily Hall, the Board of Education voted to approve the following resolution:

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

Section 1. The proposition hereinafter set forth is hereby authorized to be submitted for the approval of the qualified voters of the District on the 18th day of May, 2021 (the "Vote").

<u>Section 2.</u> The proposition set forth below shall be submitted at the Vote and the District Clerk shall include notice of the proposition in substantially the following form in the notice of the Vote:

**NOTICE IS HEREBY FURTHER GIVEN** that at the Vote to be held on May 18, 2021, the following proposition will be submitted:

PROPOSITION

Purchase of School Buses

Shall the Board of Education of the Bainbridge-Guilford Central School District be authorized to purchase two (2) school buses at a cost not to exceed \$240,000 which will be raised by a tax upon the taxable property of the District, to be levied and collected in annual installments in such years and in such amounts as shall be determined by the Board of Education and in anticipation thereof, obligations of the School District are authorized to be issued?

Section 3. This resolution shall take effect immediately.

Yes-7, No-0. Carried.

CSE Recommendations

Personnel

**Business Office** 

On a motion by Jeanne Shields, seconded by Emily Hall, the Board of Education voted to approve the following Business Office requests:

- The Monthly Financial Reports for December 2020.
  - Treasurer, Student Activities, BOE, Revenue Status, Budget Status, Budget Amendments, School lunch Profit/Loss
  - o The Internal Claims Auditors Report dated 01/24/21
- The 2017 Capital Project Change Orders for Phase 2. Costs have been applied to the HVAC Contract Contingency Allowance.
  - o MC-003 for Jr/Sr High School Time and Material for added Isolation Valves \$19,049
  - o MC-004 for Greenlawn Additional Temperature Controls \$20,609
  - o MC005 for Jr/Sr High School Additional Temperature Controls \$27,161
  - o MC-006 for Greenlawn Exhaust Fan and Expansion Tank Replacements \$23,421
  - MC-010 for Guilford Additional Temperature Controls and remove and replace UV's for abatement - \$18,576

Yes-7, No-0. Carried.

On a motion by Tim Suda, seconded by Shelly Bartow, the Board of Education voted to approve the following resolution to allow participation in higher-risk sports:

New Business

WHEREAS, on January 22, 2021, Governor Cuomo announced that effective February 1, 2021, higher risk interscholastic sports are permitted as directed by local County Health Departments; and

WHEREAS, on January 28, 2021, the Chenango County Health Department issued its Health Advisory for Higher Risk K-12 School Sports; and

WHEREAS, following careful consideration of the advisory, the Bainbridge-Guilford School District approves participation in Basketball, Football, Volleyball and Wrestling;

NOW, THEREFORE, the Bainbridge-Guilford School District Board of Education (the "Board") resolves as follows:

- The participation of school athletes in the higher risk sports of Basketball, Football, Volleyball and Wrestling is approved in accordance with the guidance and directives of the Chenango County Department of Health.
- 2. The Superintendent of Schools and/or his/her designee are required to implement the guidance to the fullest extent appropriate for the benefit of student, staff and community member safety.

Yes-7, No-0. Carried.

On a motion by Tim Suda, seconded by Shelly Bartow, the Board of Education voted to approve the following:

- The "Return to Interscholastic Athletics Plan" as presented.
- The MOA with the BGTA as presented.

Yes-7, No-0. Carried.

A new mandated BOE Policy regarding Gender Neutral Bathroom Facilities was presented to Board members for a first read.

The following planning events were discussed:

• Terms expiring 2021: Ammon, Hanvey, Sullivan

- Finance Committee meetings: Feb 2, 23 and March 9 at 6:00 PM
- CASSC School Board Institute Virtual Training: Feb 25 6-8 PM RSVP by Feb 22
- Legislative Breakfast: Feb 27 @ 10 AM via ZOOM
- BOE Retreat: March 23

On a motion by Tim Suda, seconded by Emily Hall, the Board of Education voted to adjourn at 8:25 PM. Yes -7, No -0. Carried.

Adjournment

Planning

Respectfully Submitted,

Susan L. Weibel
District Clerk

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