Bainbridge-Guilford Central School Board of Education Meeting Minutes February 17, 2022

President Keith Hanvey called the February 17, 2022 meeting of the Board of Education to order at 6:00 PM in the District Conference Room.

Call to Order

Board members in attendance were Keith Hanvey, Gordon Daniels, Shelly Bartow, John Gliha, Tim Suda and Rebecca Sullivan. Jeanne Shields was excused.

Board Members in Attendance

The administrators in attendance were Tim Ryan and Business Manager Janice Rideout.

On a motion by Rebecca Sullivan, seconded by Shelly Bartow, the Board of Education voted to go into executive session at 6:01 PM to discuss CSE, pending litigation regarding the District and the employment history of a person known to the BOE. Yes-6, No-0. Carried.

Administrators in Attendance

Executive Session

On a motion by Tim Suda, seconded by Shelly Bartow, the Board of Education voted to go back to open session at 6:25 PM. Yes-6, No-0. Carried.

On a motion by, Gordon Daniels, seconded by Rebecca Sullivan, the Board of Education voted to approve the evening's agenda. Yes-6, No-0. Carried.

Open Session

Mr. Mike Shusda, from Fiscal Advisors & Marketing, Inc., presented information on the Tax Cap to the Board of Education. The cap is based on a formula that takes into consideration several financial factors including but not limited to debt, tax base growth, inflation, and PILOT agreements. The proposed increase on the tax levy of 1.95 % for the 2022-23 school year is fiscally responsible for the District to consider.

Order of the Agenda Established & Approved

Mr. Ryan reported on the following items:

• The Guilford fuel tank is ready to be hooked up this coming week. Concrete work will take place in the Spring.

• The Finance committee will meet again on March 8th to discuss the latest budget presentations. There have already been some discussion on how to adjust some of these proposals.

 Planning for the next Capital Project continues with meetings to discuss various scenarios for the Board to consider. The plan is to present these at the March 17th BOE meeting.

• Discussed the presentation of the BOCES Budget to the Board. BOCES representatives can present the budget or maybe the BOCES Board member who sits on our Board can present?

• COVID cases have dropped this week. B-G has had a total of 199 cases between staff and students. Test kits are still available for parents.

• The forum on Tuesday evening regarding Diversity, Equity and Inclusion was well attended and was a positive start to more discussion and training on this topic. Abbi Wombacker reported to the Board that diversity and culture should be brought back into the classroom; that students and staff should feel comfortable having these hard conversations; and there should be an increased awareness at the elementary level. Overall, it was a positive experience. On March 18th there will be a professional

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development for staff on this topic. Following the BOE policy #0013 on Diversity, Equity and Inclusion, there will be a formal District committee appointed. This committee will work under the LINKS committee to develop training. Surveys for students and staff were discussed also.

Thomas Akshar introduced himself to the Board as an interested parent. His child will start school in the Fall.

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:

CSE Recommendations

Business Office

- CSE minutes of: 01/21/22, 01/25/22, 02/10/22
- CPSE minutes of: none
- Subcommittee minutes of CSE: 01/28/22
- 504 Minutes: none

On a motion by Shelly Bartow, seconded by Gordon Daniels, the Board of Education reviewed and arranged for the appropriate special education placements. Yes-6, No-0. Carried.

On a motion by Gordon Daniels, seconded by Rebecca Sullivan the Board of Education voted to approve the following resolution:

WHEREAS, based on the recommendation of the District's Architect, the Board of Education of the Bainbridge-Guilford Central School District (the "Board of Education") has determined that it is in the best interest of the Bainbridge-Guilford Central School District (the "School District") to accept the proposal from Kone, Inc. dated January 26, 2022 (the "Proposal"), to provide the goods and services described therein in connection with its 2021-22 Capital Outlay Project (the "Project") subject to review by legal counsel; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Education hereby accepts the recommendation of the District's Architect and hereby accepts the Proposal shared with the Board;

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved as follows:

- The Board of Education accepts the Proposal and authorizes the President of the Board, the Superintendent of Schools, or their designee to enter into one or more contracts or issue Purchase Order(s) on behalf of the Board of Education and take all actions necessary or convenient to proceed under the contract(s) or Purchase Order(s) in connection with the Project.
- 2. Any contract(s) or Purchase Orders are subject to prior approval by legal counsel in connection with confirmation that the Proposal meets all applicable requirements as an exception to competitive bidding.
- 3. Upon Board of Education approval, this resolution shall take effect immediately.

Yes-6, No-0. Carried

The following planning events were discussed:

Planning

Board Events

March 18 – Workers Compensation Alliance Meeting
March 24 – CASSC Virtual Board Institute – RSVP by 3/15
BOE Terms Expiring: Bartow, Suda, Gliha (remainder of 3-yr term ending 6/30/2023)

On a motion by Shelly Bartow, seconded by Rebecca Sullivan the Board of Education voted to adjourn at 7:17 PM. Yes-6, No-0. Carried

Adjournment

Respectfully Submitted,

Susan L. Weibel District Clerk

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