## Bainbridge-Guilford Central School Board of Education Meeting Minutes April 1, 2021

President Keith Hanvey called the April 1, 2021 meeting of the Board of Education to order at 6:04 PM in the District Conference Room.

Call to Order

Board member in attendance was Keith Hanvey. Tina Ammon, Shelly Bartow, Emily Hall, Jeanne Shields and Rebecca Sullivan participated via ZOOM. Tim Suda was excused.

Board Members in Attendance

The administrator in attendance was Tim Ryan with Business Manager Janice Rideout. Principals William Zakrajsek, Jen Henderson and Assistant Principal Scott Graham participated via ZOOM.

Administrators in Attendance

On a motion by Jeanne Shields, seconded by Rebecca Sullivan, the Board of Education voted to go into executive session at 6:05 PM to discuss CSE recommendations, contract negotiations and the employment history of a particular persons known to the Board of Education. Yes-6, No-0. Carried.

**Executive Session** 

On a motion by Jeanne Shields, seconded by Emily Hall, the Board of Education voted to return to open session at 6:39 PM. Yes-6, No-0. Carried.

Open Session

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

Order of the Agenda Established & Approved

Co-Advisors for the Prom, Amy Lafever and John Grigoli, summarized the prom events. The Prom will be a Jr-Sr event and will be on May 1, 2021. COVID guidelines will be followed and were reviewed with the BOE. As guidance changes, the guidelines will be updated. Students are participating and are excited to have this event.

Reports and Presentations

The principals reported on activities in their buildings including celebrations, curriculum, staffing and assessments. The focus is on the preparations necessary to bring all students back on campus following the current COVID guidelines. Everyone has been working hard on scheduling space to accommodate more students during the day but still keep the recommended social distancing guidelines in place. Fall Athletic competitions are proceeding under a shortened schedule. Spring Sports will start the end of April. Scholar Recognition and Honor Society will have their celebrations but they will be held in rooms that will accommodate the number of students and guests involved. Live streaming sports and some of these celebrations is also an option.

Mr. Ryan presented the proposed budget for 2021-22 school year to the Board of Education. The state has not provided a final aid number however, the proposed budget will not change much when that number is provided. The BOE was informed that the District paid approximately \$251,000 in added expenses related to the pandemic and that along with Health insurance costs are the main drivers of this budget. The District Tax Cap is 1.23% which is about \$82,000. The District plans to provide free breakfast and lunch along with school supplies this coming year. Mr. Ryan went over the details line by line for both revenue and expenditures. These documents will be part of the budget information that will be posted on the website after the Board adopts a budget on April 15, 2021.

Negotiations with the BGSSA have started. Proposals were exchanged this week and seem fair. The district committee will meet next week to develop counter proposals. The dates for intensive bargaining are April 28, 29 and 30th.

Mr. Ryan reported on the following items:

• The Guilford Boilers are up and running well. New filters are on order.

- The renovation of the Greenlawn Main Office started after 3PM today. The work will be completed during Spring Break.
- Stimulus and Grant funding will be available for student programs. These could include additional support in the RTI program, hiring an Ag/Science teacher, resuming STEM and Keyboarding, resuming the After School Program and adding Summer School in the month of July. These funds must be spent by 2024 and cannot be spent on salaries or building projects. They are specifically for the education gaps caused by the pandemic this last year.
- LINKS met this week and discussed the end of the school year and the focus for next year. Sensitivity awareness will be the focus. Guest speakers will be invited to speak to Staff on the opening day to start this process.
- Summer School will be held on July 6 July 29 for grades K-8 from 8 AM to 1:15 PM. Students will be able to go to the Town Recreation programs in the afternoon. Bussing will be available. Struggling students will be encouraged to attend first. It is anticipated that there will be at least one class for each grade level. Teachers and Aides have shown interest in working during this time.
- Once again Erin Morris, Legal Counsel, had a timely presentation for the BOE retreat on March 23<sup>rd</sup>. It was good to get together and share a meal also. If BOE members have thoughts on topics for the August Retreat, please send them to Mr. Ryan.
- The next set of Superintendent Evaluation Standards, 4 and 5, will be discussed at the next BOE meeting.

Visitor Cathy Sherrick spoke about the need for keyboarding for students. She was very glad to hear that that program will be resumed. She also thanked the administration and Board for their support of staff and students this past school year.

Guest Comments

CSE Recommendations

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: 03/16/21
- CPSE minutes of: None
- Subcommittee minutes of CSE: 03/15/21, 03/16/21, 03/29/21
- 504 Minutes: 01/08/21, 03/15/21, 03/16/21

On a motion by Rebecca Sullivan, seconded by Emily Hall, the Board of Education reviewed and arranged for the appropriate special education placements. Yes-6, No-0. Carried..

On a motion by Shelly Bartow, seconded by Rebecca Sullivan, the Board of Education voted to approve the following certified personnel:

- The appointment of Melissa Margadona and Andrea Weissflog as co-mentors for Cloey Oranjian.
- The appointment of Constance Lane to the position of Long-Term Temporary Pre-K teacher effective April 12, 2021 to June 30, 2021; Step 1. Background check is complete.

Yes-6, No-0. Carried.

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

- The acceptance of the retirement of Lorraine Page, Food Service Worker, effective April 1, 2021.
- The increase in hours from PT to FT for Emma Kate Pemberton, Food Service Helper effective April 1 through April 15, 2021. (Vice: L. Page)
- The appointment of Diane Parsons to the position of Custodial Worker PT (Sub) effective 4/2/2021.
- The termination of the Leave of Absence for Tiffani Hurd effective April 19, 2021.
- The termination of the employment of Karen LaCast as a Temporary Teacher Aide effective April 19, 2021 due to return of Tiffani Hurd to her position.

Yes-6, No-0. Carried.

On a motion by Tina Ammon, seconded by Emily Hall, the Board of Education voted to approve the following sports personnel:

• The appointment of Leslie Cuozzo to the position of Girls Modified Volleyball coach – Step 6. Yes-6, No-0. Carried.

Personnel

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

Request approval of the Monthly Financial Reports for February 2021.

- Treasurer, Student Activities, BOE, Revenue Status, Budget Status, Budget Amendments, and School Lunch Profit & Loss
- Request approval of the Internal Claims Auditors Report dated March 7 and March 19, 2021.

Yes-6, No-0. Carried.

On a motion by Jeanne Shields, seconded by Shelly Bartow, the Board of Education voted to approve the following resolution regarding designation of the Architect/Engineer for the 2021-22 Capital Outlay Project:

WHEREAS, 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 ("School District") to retain an Architect/Engineer to provide architectural, engineering, project management, and related professional services in connection with its 2021-22 Capital Outlay Project (the "Project"); and

WHEREAS, the School District wishes to continue its professional relationship with King + King, Architects LLP ("King + King") by supplementing and amending an existing Continuing Professional Services Agreement dated January 20, 2017, for the purposes of providing architectural, engineering, project management, and related professional services for the Project; and

WHEREAS, King + King has proposed Project Agreement No. 8 which supplements and amends the Continuing Professional Services Agreement and provides for architectural, engineering, project management, and related professional services relative to the Project (a copy of which has been shared with the Board);

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved as follows:

- 1. The Board of Education approves the retention of King + King to provide architectural, engineering, project management, and related professional services and proceed with the Project in accordance with the terms and conditions of Project Agreement No. 8.
- The Board of Education hereby authorizes the President of the Board, the Superintendent of Schools, or their
  designee to enter into the approved agreement with King + King on behalf of the Board of Education and take all
  steps necessary or convenient to proceed under the agreement in connection with the Project.

3. Upon approval by the Board of Education, this resolution shall take effect immediately.

Yes-6, No-0. Carried.

On a motion by Shelly Bartow, seconded by Tina Ammon, the Board of Education voted to approve the Yearly Instructional Calendar for 2021-22 as presented. Yes-6, No-0. Carried.

New Business

Planning

The following planning events were discussed:

## **BOE Events**

- Special BOE Meeting April 15
- BOE Candidate Petitions are due April 19 by 5 PM.
- CASSC School Board Institute Superintendent Evaluation April 26 3-7PM
- BOCES Budget & Member Vote BOE meeting on April 27

## **School Events**

• April 19 - WERE BACK! All students - 5 days a week!

On a motion by Shelly Bartow, seconded by Emily Hall, the Board of Education voted to adjourn at 8:20 PM. Yes -6, No -0. Carried.

Adjournment

Respectfully Submitted,

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Susan L. Weibel
District Clerk

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