

**Bainbridge-Guilford Central School
Board of Education Meeting Minutes
April 9, 2015**

President Jason Fleming called the April 9, 2015 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 Tina Ammon, Charles Blincoe, Jason Fleming, Emily Hall, Julee Hartwell and Jeanne Shields. Patrick McElligott arrived at 6:35 PM.

Board Members in Attendance

Administrators in attendance were Don Wheeler, Thomas Strain and Victoria Gullo for CSE Minutes.

Administrators in Attendance

On a motion by Charles Blincoe, seconded by Julee Hartwell, the Board of Education voted to go into executive session at 6:33 PM to discuss CSE recommendations and personnel. Yes – 6, No – 0. Carried.

Executive Session

On a motion by Julee Hartwell, seconded by Charlie Blincoe, the Board of Education voted to return to open session at 7:30 PM. Yes – 7, No – 0. Carried

Open Session

On motion by Jeanne Shields, seconded by Charles Blincoe, the Board of Education voted to approve the evening's revised agenda adding under New Business, Item E, Adoption of the Budget. Yes – 7, No – 0. Carried.

Order of the Agenda Established & Approved

Visitor comments included positions/programming for the next school year and students opting out of State testing.

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

- Amendment with no meeting of: 03/25/15
- CSE minutes of: 03/25/15, 03/26/15
- CPSE minutes of:
- Subcommittee minutes of: 03/11/15, 03/16/15, 03/18/15, 03/23/15, 03/25/15
- 504 Minutes: 03/11/15, 03/18/15, 03/23/15, 03/24/15

On motion by Julee Hartwell, seconded by Emily Hall, the Board of Education reviewed and arranged for the appropriate special education placements. Yes – 7, No – 0. Carried.

Israel Lorimer presented a summary of the New Machinist Program. The Board meeting moved to the classroom to view a demonstration of the equipment.

Reports and Presentations

Dr. Wheeler presented budget information including State Aid projections, proposed program recommendations, projected revenue and expenses for the 2015-16 school year. A tax levy of 1.97% with at total budget amount of \$17, 984,456 and using \$215,000 in fund balance was presented to the Board.

Board members requested, based on the discussion with the Budget Advisory Committee on Monday evening, a 1.0% tax levy. After some further discussion it was suggested to increase use of fund balance to make up the difference of 0.97% keeping the total budget number the same.

Jeanne Shields left at 8:46 PM.

Dr. Wheeler reported on the discussion of the Facility Committee prior to the Board meeting. The committee recommends that the Board authorize the Superintendent to sign the agreement with SWBR Architects regarding the five year Building Condition Survey.

On motion by Charles Blincoe, seconded by Patrick McElligott, the Board of Education voted to authorize the Superintendent to sign the agreement with SWBR Architects regarding the five year Building Condition Survey. Yes – 6, No – 0. Carried.

Tom Strain summarized the Questar III OPEB Resolution for the Board. On a motion by Charles Blincoe, seconded by Tina Ammon, the Board of Education authorized the President of the Board to sign the release of liability relating to OPEB. Yes – 6, No – 0. Carried. (See Attachment #1)

Business Office

On motion by Charles Blincoe, seconded by Emily Hall, the Board of Education voted to surplus according to needs various reading books as presented. Yes – 6, No – 0. Carried. (See Attachment #2)

The Survey of Supervisory Districts for DCMO BOCES was presented to the Board. It was conveyed that the Board would like the configuration of DCMO to stay as it is at this time.

Communications

NYSSBA Area 4 Director, Sandra Ruffo has contacted the BOE to schedule a visit. She will attend the next BOE meeting on April 28, 2015.

On motion by Charles Blincoe, seconded by Tina Ammon, the Board of Education voted to approve the open meeting minutes of March 5 and 19, 2015 and special meeting minutes of April 6, 2015. Yes – 6, No – 0. Carried

Old Business

DCMO BOCES Budget and Board member information was presented to the Board for their review. Voting will be at the next board meeting, April 28th.

On motion by Charles Blincoe, seconded by Tina Ammon, the Board of Education voted to approve the Resolution Committing to the Purchase of Technology Equipment for the Instructional Technology Service from the Broome-Tioga BOCES as presented. Yes – 6, No – 0. Carried. (See Attachment #3)

The Board would like to re-establish the Tech Committee in the 2015-16 school year to evaluate technology needs of the District.

The Superintendent Update for this week is the same as the Budget Discussion.

New Business

On motion by Julee Hartwell, seconded by Charlie Blincoe, the Board of Education voted to approve the following election personnel for the 2015 school budget vote on May 19:

Guilford: Beverly Gridley, Alura Fleming, Elaine Pikul and Ellen Bosworth (Chief Election Inspector) Bainbridge: Mary Drachler (Registration only), Allan Mugglin, Caroline DiNoto and Martha Pratt (Asst. Chief Election Inspector)

Yes –6, No – 0. Carried

On motion by Julee Hartwell, seconded by Charlie Blincoe, the Board of Education voted to acknowledge the transportation request for Brielle and Annika Armstrong to Valley Heights Christian Academy for the 2015-16 school year.
Yes –6, No – 0. Carried.

On a motion by Charles Blincoe, seconded by Julee Hartwell, the Board of Education voted to approve the estimated statement of expenditure for the 2015-16 school year in the amount of \$17,984,456.00 with a 1.0% Tax Levy increase. Yes –6, No – 0. Carried.

On a motion by Julee Hartwell, seconded by Emily Hall, the Board of Education voted to approve the following certified personnel recommendations: Personnel

- The appointment of Stephanie Morrow to the position of substitute Teacher. Background check is complete.

Yes – 6, No – 0. Carried.

On a motion by Charles Blincoe, seconded by Tina Ammon, the Board of Education voted to approve the following non-certified personnel recommendations:

- The appointment of Francesca Covello to the position of Food Service Worker, Part time, 10 months, approximately 3.75hrs/day, at a rate of \$8.75/hr, effective April 13, 2015. Probationary period filled through subbing. Background check is complete. Vice: Emily Gregory
- The appointment of Justin E. Wade to the position of substitute Custodial Worker PT. Background check is complete.
- The appointment of Brandilynne Craver to the position of substitute Registered Professional Nurse PT. Background check is complete.
- The appointment of Julie Olcott to the position of substitute Registered Professional Nurse PT. Background check is complete.

Yes – 6, No – 0. Carried.

The following planning items were discussed:

Planning

- Apr 16 – Utica National Safety Meeting – Julee Hartwell and Howie Thompson will attend.
- Apr 17 – Workers’ Compensation Dinner Meeting –Charlie Blincoe and Tom Strain will attend.
- Apr 20 – Personnel Committee at 5:00 PM
- Apr 20 – BOE petitions due in the District Office by 5 PM
- Apr 21 - CCSBA Spring Dinner Meeting at The Silo
- Apr 28 – BOE Meeting

School Functions:

- Apr 11 - JV Softball Pancake B-Fast
- Apr 29 – Jr HS Spring Concert
- May 2 – Jr Prom
- May 6 – Greenlawn Spring Concert
- May 8 – Jr HS Honor Society Inductions

Add to the next Board agenda approving the student to the Health and Safety Committee. There is possibly interest by students at GMU to participate on our Golf team. A merger in the sport may be possible. Recycling will be addressed in the next trash bid with BOCES. Redacted discipline reports were addressed. Legal counsel will be reviewing our discipline procedures and making recommendations for the next school year. It was requested that the Board receive reports on trends in incidents.

Miscellaneous

Patrick McElligott left at 9:52 PM.

On a motion by Charles Blincoe, seconded by Tina Ammon, the Board of Education voted to go into executive session at 9:53 PM to discuss a contract and personnel issue. Yes – 5, No – 0. Carried.

Executive Session

Patrick McElligott returned at 9:54 PM.

Patrick McElligott left at 10:13 PM.

On a motion by Charles Blincoe, seconded by Tina Ammon, the Board of Education voted to go back to open session at 10:15 PM. Yes – 5, No – 0. Carried.

Open Session

On a motion by Julee Hartwell, seconded by Emily Hall, the Board of Education voted to adjourn at 10:16 PM. Yes – 5, No – 0. Carried.

Adjournment

Respectfully submitted,

Susan L. Weibel
District Clerk

