

May 21, 2020

A virtual meeting of the Berlin Board of Education was held beginning at 6:00 pm. Present for the meeting were, Louise Valliere, Ann Nolin, Matthew Buteau, Jeanne Charest, Julie King, Marion Moore, Tammy Fauteux, Sandy Pouliot, Michael Kelley, Jake Moore, Sonya L'Heureux, Autie Hamilton, Martha Miller, Jamie Welch, Susanne Styles, Kayla Lavoie, Amy Welch, Kayla Steady, Cheryl McCormick, Karen Patry, Paula Hinkley, Ted Pacheco, Ted McCormick, Celine Leborgne, and a member of the press.

- MINUTES On a motion by Matthew Buteau, seconded by Ann Nolin, the Board voted to approve the minutes of the May 7, 2020 and May 14, 2020 meetings, public and nonpublic sessions. The motion passed unanimously.
- WARRANTS On a motion by Matthew Buteau, seconded by Jeanne Charest, the Board voted to approve the warrants dated, May 12, 2020, for the amount of \$6,727.46 and May 25, 2020 with the amended amount of \$317,172.52. On a roll call vote, all members voted in the affirmative.
- COMMENTS Cheryl McCormick made a statement that she was misquoted in the minutes of the April 16, 2020 meeting. While she had offered to pay for student lunches, this was not how the minutes read. She questioned if there was a protocol for accurately capturing the minutes and suggested that those being quoted could be afforded the right to review the minutes before they are approved.
- GENERAL ASSURANCES The Superintendent reviewed the General Assurances, Program Assurances, and CARES Act Assurances with the Board. On a motion by Ann Nolin, seconded by Jeanne Charest, the Board voted to approve the Assurances as presented by the Superintendent. On a roll call vote, all members voted in the affirmative.
- HEALTH TRUST On a motion by Matthew Buteau, seconded by Ann Nolin, the Board voted to approve the Agreement with HealthTrust to provide the District's health insurance effective July 1, 2020. On a roll call vote, all members voted in the affirmative.
- SUPER REPORT The Superintendent informed the Board on the following:
- Recognition of the hard work and dedication by the Class Valedictorian, Matt Landry, Co-Salutatorians, Olivia Boucher and Hayley Norton and CTE Student of the Year, Kaelyn Blais.
 - Mr. Kelley gave an update on the graduation plans and end of year activities. Many resources were used to plan graduation on June 12, 2020. Matthew Buteau thanked the graduation committee and stated it was clear they had the seniors best interest at heart. He also thanked Mr. Kelley and Mr. Melanson.
 - The CTE Welding and LNA program will open up next week, with small groups in two shifts
 - Mrs. Fauteux gave an update on BES end of year activities.
 - Budget Update: 1.5 million dollars has been cut from the budget to make the Council's appropriation that is going to the Public Hearing. Some items will be funded by grants. The largest portion comes from the major savings from the change in health insurance.
 - The Superintendent gave an update from the work of the AVEC committee. A letter to the community went out recently from the Superintendents of SAU 3 and SAU 20 and the WMCC President discussing what is being done on the process of planning for next school year in the three institutions.
 - Nellie Mae grant has been extended. In order to stay aligned with a more long term schedule, a

scheduling consultant has been funded and will help the three schools look for other ways to align in order to provide increased student opportunity.

COMMENTS

None

MEMBER BUSINESS

Jeanne Charest commented on meals provided by the schools during the summer. The Superintendent reported that the USDA waiver allows the schools to continue serving through September. The Food Service Director is working on a plan to assess family participation and to continue our program with limited staffing throughout the summer, potentially delivering 5 days worth of meals on 2 to 3 days per week.

Champions Recognition was outstanding, kudos to Mr. Melanson and all who participated.

Matthew Buteau spoke of the support he has been receiving as a parent throughout Remote Learning. The teachers and staff have been available and responsive. Thank you to all.

Matthew Buteau made a statement to Cheryl McCormick on the importance of the accuracy in the minutes of the Board meetings.

NON PUBLIC

On a motion by Matthew Buteau, seconded by Ann Nolin, the Board voted to go into nonpublic session at 6:54 pm in accordance with RSA 91-A3II, (a), (b) & (c). On a roll call vote, all members voted in the affirmative.

On a motion by Matthew Buteau, seconded by Ann Nolin, the Board voted to come out of nonpublic session at 8:31 pm. The motion passed unanimously. No additional votes were taken in nonpublic session.

SUPER CONTRACT

On a motion by Matthew Buteau, seconded by Ann Nolin, the Board voted to approve the Superintendent's contract as amended. On a roll call vote, all members voted in the affirmative.

STAFFING

On a motion by Ann Nolin, seconded by Jeanne Charest, the Board voted to approve the following staffing changes:

RESIGNATIONS:

TEACHER NOMINATIONS:

Travis Houle – English Teacher- BMHS (6-8)

Mitra Karimian – Science Teacher – BMHS (6-8)

NOMINATIONS:

Jason Hook – Assistant Principal - BMHS

On a roll call vote, all members voted in the affirmative.

All nominations are contingent on the applicant completing a successful background check and physical.

ADJOURN

On a motion by Matthew Buteau, seconded by Jeanne Charest, the Board voted to adjourn it's meeting at 8:35 p.m. The motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Axa Nolin

Secretary, Berlin Board of Education

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The Board discussed unused vacation time

The Board discussed staffing

Julie King and Marion Moore left this portion of the nonpublic session

The Board discussed the Superintendent's evaluation and contract.

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