

February 13, 2020

PUBLIC HEARING	<p>The Public Hearing opened at 6:00 pm. Louise Valliere conducted the presentation of the FY 21 Budget. Superintendent King discussed highlighted data from the recent Reaching Higher NH District Profile.</p> <p>The public hearing was closed at 6:25 pm</p> <p>A meeting of the Berlin Board of Education was held in the library at Berlin Middle High School beginning at 6:25 p.m. Present for the meeting were, Louise Valliere, Scott Losier, Ann Nolin, Jeanne Charest, Matthew Buteau, Julie King, Marion Moore, Mike Kelley, Sonya L'Heureux, Sandy Pouliot, Martha Miller, Autie Hamilton, Jamie Welch, Gina Welch, Karen Wheeler, Sophie Wheeler, Maria Young and a member of the press.</p>
MINUTES	<p>On a motion by Scott Losier, seconded by Matthew Buteau, the Board voted to approve the minutes of the January 16, 2020, meeting, public and nonpublic sessions. The motion passed unanimously.</p>
WARRANTS	<p>On a motion by Scott Losier, seconded by Jeanne Charest, the Board voted to approve the warrants dated, February 3, 2020, February 10, 2020 and February 12, 2020 for the amounts of \$14,335.53, \$626,916.21 and \$4,735.26 respectively. On a roll call vote, all members voted in the affirmative.</p>
FINANCE REPORT	<p>None</p>
COMMENTS	<p>None</p>
BUS MOU	<p>On a motion by Matthew Buteau, seconded by Jeanne Charest, the Board voted to approve the Memorandum of Understanding between Berlin Public Schools and Gorham Randolph Shelburne Cooperative School District for the purpose of providing transportation to Co-curricular and Club Activities as presented. The motion passed unanimously.</p>
FY 21 CALENDAR	<p>On a motion by Scott Losier, seconded by Ann Nolin, the Board voted to approve the 2020-2021 School Year Calendar. On a roll call vote, all members voted in the affirmative.</p>
CHECK RELEASE	<p>On a motion by Ann Nolin, seconded by Jeanne Charest the Board voted to allow the early release of checks made out to the State of NH for DMV records, Background checks, and Permission to employ. On a roll call vote, all members voted in the affirmative.</p>
SUPER'S REPORT	<p>The Superintendent informed the Board on the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• AVEC Update• Hiring Update- Reassignments• Recent Audits• Berlin Leadership Team• Competency-Based Education• New Board Member Orientation and Meeting schedule
STUDENT REPORT	<p>Sophie Wheeler and Maria Young informed the Board of events at BMHS during January:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Criminal Justice Presentation

- Midyear NWEA Testing
- Various Events and Activities
- Community Involvement

FY 21 BUDGET

The Board asked questions of Superintendent Julie King regarding the budget. Superintendent King presented a list of areas with large increases over FY 20 and her recommendations if cuts were required. Board members Jeanne Charest and Louise Valliere expressed the desire to present council with a budget that reflects our needs.

On a motion by Jeanne Charest, seconded by Matthew Buteau, the Board voted to present the FY 21 Budget as is to City Council. On a roll call vote, all members voted in the affirmative.

COMMENTS

Gina Welch commented on how the City Council spends money.

Jamie Welch commented that it is not an easy street for Berlin, we are in a difficult place. It is not easy to find staff. There is nothing here to attract families or businesses. The school will have 10 job openings and no applicants. The City Council need to attend our meetings and the Board needs to go to Council meetings.

MEMBER BUSINESS

None

NON PUBLIC

The Board consensus was a nonpublic session was not needed.

ADJOURN

On a motion by Scott Losier, seconded by Matthew Buteau, the Board voted to adjourn it's meeting at 8:10 p.m. The motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,



Secretary, Berlin Board of Education