A meeting of the Berlin Board of Education was held in the Berlin High School library at 6:00 p.m. Present for the meeting were Nicole Plourde, Lynn Moore, Denise Valerino, Scott Losier, Louise Valliere, Corinne Cascadden, Bryan Lamirande, Tim Forestall, Kevin Carpenter, Amy Huter, Autie Hamilton, Brianne Morneau, Sarah Clark, Courtney High, Paul Bousquet, Meri Costa, Julie Cooney, Braydon Cooney, and a member of the press.

AGENDA

On a motion by Denise Valerino, seconded by Lynne Moore, the Board voted to add a Best Interest of the Child request to the agenda. The motion passed unanimously.

MINUTES

On a motion by Scott Losier, seconded by Louise Valliere, the Board voted to approve the minutes of the April 6, 2017 meeting, public session as amended. The motion passed unanimously.

WARRANTS

On a motion by Lynn Moore, seconded by Louise Valliere, the Board voted to approve the warrant dated, April 24, 2017 for the amount of \$74,194.75. On a roll call vote, all members voted in the affirmative.

COMMENTS

None

1st RDG POLICIES

On a motion by Louise Valliere, seconded by Lynn Moore, the Board voted to approve the first reading of policies KED – Facilities or Services – Grievance Procedure, GBEAA and JRB – Confidential Student Information, JLIF – Receipt and Use of Sex Offender Information, and JLIF-R – Receipt and Use of Sex Offender Information – Regulations, as presented. The motion passed unanimously.

On a motion by Scott Losier, seconded by Louise Valliere, the Board voted to approve the revision of policy GCO as presented. The motion passed unanimously.

BEST INTEREST

A Best Interest of the Student request was made for a student attending grade 11 at BHS who now resides in Gorham to continue to attend BHS until she graduates. SAU 20 will pay the student's tuition to Berlin from January 3, 2017 through graduation June 2018. On a motion by Louise Valliere, seconded by Denise Valerino, the Board voted to approve the Best Interest of the Student request. The motion passed unanimously.

MILAN TUITION

Discussion ensued regarding the withdrawal of Milan from the AREA Agreement and the implementation of Tuition Agreement between Milan and Berlin. On a motion by Lynn Moore, seconded by Denise Valerino, the Board voted to approve the Milan Tuition Agreement as presented. On a roll call vote, all members voted in the affirmative. The Board signed the approved agreement effective July 1, 2018 for a 3 year period.

MANUALS

Discussion ensued regarding the change in school hours at Brown School. The school day would be from 8:45 to 2:55 to coincide with the bussing schedule. Denise Valerino felt that it was a late start for parents who drop their children off on their way to work. On a motion by Louise Valliere, seconded by Lynn Moore the Board voted to approve the changes to the Brown School Manual as presented. Nicole Plourde, Scott Losier, Louise Valliere and Lynn Moore voted in the affirmative, Denise Valerino voted in the negative. The motion passed by a 4 to 1 margin.

On a motion by Scott Losier, seconded by Lynn Moore, the Board voted to accept the changes in the Hillside and Berlin Middle School manuals as presented. The motion passed unanimously.

BHS COURSES

Discussion ensued regarding the implementation of Publications I and II and Practical Media Literacy courses at BHS. These courses would be responsible for the publication of the High School Yearbook. The Board would like these classes to encourage journalistic writing skills and to use social media as a tool to report events at the high school. Brianne Morneau asked if this could also be used as part of a computer literature course credit. A motion was made by Louise Valliere, seconded by Denise Valerino to approve these courses at BHS. The motion passed unanimously.

FLEX PERIOD

On a motion by Louise Valliere, seconded by Lynn Moore, the Board voted to accept the High School Flex Period as proposed. The motion passed unanimously.

BHS MANUAL

On a motion by Denise Valerino, seconded by Lynn Moore, the Board voted to accept the BHS Manual as presented. The motion passed unanimously.

SYSTEMS OF CARE

On a motion by Louise Valliere, seconded by Lynn Moore the Board voted to add the position of Systems of Care Services Coordinator for the 2017-2018 school year. The motion passed unanimously.

On a motion by Louise Valliere, seconded by Scott Losier, the Board voted to change the title of Project AWARE to Office of Student Wellness. The motion passed unanimously.

STUDENT REPORT

Brianne Momeau and Sarah Clark informed the Board of the following:

- School Climate Project Update YLTA on 4/21/17
- KEY Club Decon Debrief
- The Prom will be held at the Brown Company Barn
- AP Testing in May

SUPER'S REPORT

The Superintendent informed the Board of the following:

- Resiliency and College Career Readiness
- Loaning the Medallion Opera House a Baby Grand Piano
- Delayed Entry at BHS on May 4 and May 5 for NECAP Science Testing

COMMENTS

Julie Cooney informed the Board that she was disappointed that there will not be a senior class trip. She also felt that the students should have been allowed to address this issue with the School Board tonight.

MEMBER BUSINESS

Nicole Plourde congratulated Corinne Cascadden on obtaining her Doctoral Degree.

NON PUBLIC

On a motion by Lynn Moore, seconded by Scott Losier, the Board voted to go into nonpublic session at 8:07 p.m. in accordance with RSA 91-A3II, (a), (b) & (c). On a roll call vote, all members voted in the affirmative.

On a motion by Denise Valerino, seconded by Louise Valliere, the Board voted to come out of nonpublic session at 8:58 p.m. The motion passed unanimously. No additional votes were taken in nonpublic session.

STAFFING

On a motion by Lynn Moore, seconded by Louise Valliere, the Board voted to approve the following staffing changes:

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RESIGNATIONS:

Kristy True – Educational Assistant- Brown School

NOMINATIONS:

Krystal Bunnell - School Counselor- Brown School

TEACHER NOMINATIONS

Kathryn Borowicz – Science - BHS

The motion passed unanimously.

All nominations are contingent on the applicant passing a background check and a pre-employment physical.

NON UNION SALARIES

On a motion by Louise Valliere, seconded by Denise Valerino, the Board voted approve non union staff raises as presented. On a roll call vote, all members voted in the affirmative.

ADJOURN

On a motion by Denise Valerino, seconded by Lynn Moore, the Board voted to adjourn it's meeting at 9:00 p.m. The motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,
Laure Valleur

Secretary, Berlin Board of Education

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Respectfully submitted,

Secretary

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