

March 2, 2017

A meeting of the Berlin Board of Education was held in the Berlin High School library beginning 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, Tammy Fauteux, Julie King, Amy Huter, Martha Miller, Roland Pinette, Veronique Legendre, J.M. Rabot, and a member of the press.

MINUTES	On a motion by Lynn Moore, seconded by Scott Losier, the Board voted to approve the minutes of the February 17, 2017 meeting, public session. The motion passed unanimously, with Nicole Plourde abstaining.
WARRANTS	On a motion by Lynn Moore, seconded by Louie Valliere, the Board voted to approve the warrant dated, March 6, 2017 for the amount of \$285,161.28. On a roll call vote, all members voted in the affirmative.
FINANCIAL REPORT	The Board reviewed and approved the financial report.
COMMENTS	None
PRIMEX (CAP)	On a motion by Lynn Moore, seconded by Louise Valliere, the Board voted to accept the offer of the NH Public Risk Management Exchange (Primex) to enter into its Property & Liability Contribution Assurance Program (CAP) as of the date of the adoption of this resolution, and to be contractually bound to all of the terms and conditions of Primex risk management pool membership during the term of the Property & Liability Contribution Assurance Program (CAP). On a roll call vote, all members voted in the affirmative.
REGIONALIZATION	The Superintendent followed up on the 2011 Community Forums on regionalization. The forums were indicative of creating a Regional High School. She also included the NH Statutes which need to be followed. Another topic reviewed was if the Berlin School Board was interested in meeting with the Gorham School Board. Nicole Plourde proposed meeting with the City Council to obtain guidance from them. Lynn Moore felt that if the Council doesn't approve, it can't go anywhere. Board agreed to reach out to City Council first.
FY 18 BUDGET	The FY 18 Budget status is in continuous review to be as fiscally sound as possible to maintain programs.
BOARD GOALS	Berlin Board of Education goals were discussed as follows: Academic: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Strengthen transition from pre-school to Kindergarten</li><li>• Address the student dropout rate</li><li>• Collaborate with Gorham for classes being offered</li></ul> Safety: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Add AED's on all school buses</li><li>• Mindfulness social emotional learning implemented in all grade levels</li></ul> Communication: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Provide the press with positive articles about what is happening in the schools</li><li>• Use social media as a way to get out positive happenings in the schools</li></ul> Collaboration: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• More collaboration with Gorham not just the Milan portion of SAU 20</li></ul>

SUPER'S REPORT      The Superintendent informed the Board of the following issues:

- Student Drop Out Rate
- Sabbatical Leave

COMMENTS            None

MEMBER BUSINESS    Lynn Moore asked if the district ever considered discounting prices for families in need going to sporting events.

ADJOURN              On a motion by Louise Valliere, seconded by Lynn Moore, the Board voted to adjourn it's meeting at 6:43 p.m. The motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Denise Valerino". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, looping initial 'D'.

Secretary, Berlin Board of Education