March 21, 2019

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, Denise Valerino, Louise Valliere, Scott Losier, Lynn Moore, Corinne Cascadden, Bryan Lamirande, Julie King, Susan Griffin, Kevin Carpenter, Tammy Fauteux, Melanie McCoy, Autie Hamilton, Martha Miller, Maria Young, Jamie Welch, Gina Welch, Holly Paquette, Steve Paquette, Erin Lavigne, Dana DeBlois, Ron Demers, Tina Demers, Tony Valliere, Lisa Bagley, Craig Melanson, Katie Melanson, Anthony Mullins, Catrina Annis, Deb Dupuis, and a member of the press.

MINUTES

On a motion by Lynn Moore, seconded by Louise Valliere, the Board voted to approve the minutes of the March 7, 2019 meeting, public and nonpublic sessions as amended to read “Scott Losier read a letter of apology for events that occurred after the February 7, 2019 Board Meeting”. The motion passed unanimously.

STUDENT REPORT

Maria Young informed the Board on the following:
- Graphic Arts at BHS produced t-shirts, buttons, etc. for SOS initiative
- Skills USA Welding State Championship – March 15, 2019
- YLTA Snowshoe Trip – March 15, 2019
- Key Club DECON April 5-7, 2019
- Spring Sports start March 18, 2019
- Students earning All-State for Winter Athletics
- DI Regional Competition
- Key Club Read Across America on March 8, 2019
- Graphic Arts fundraising for Riverside Rescue Animal Shelter
- National Honor Society planning their annual quarter auction fundraiser

WARRANTS

On a motion by Denise Valerino, seconded by Scott Losier, the Board voted to approve the warrants dated March 12, 2019 and March 25, 2019 for the amounts of $20,744.46 and $77,340.29. On a roll call vote, all members voted in the affirmative.

FINANCIAL REPORT

None

COMMENTS

None

BOARD STIPENDS

On a motion by Louise Valliere, seconded by Scott Losier, the Board voted to divert funds for Board member stipends to supplies for teachers. On a roll call vote, all members voted in the affirmative.

FY 20 BUDGET

The Board expressed their frustration regarding the lack of state funding for education. They reviewed the proposed FY20 Budget cuts and made no suggestions. The Superintendent gave the Board a Legislative Update.

SUPER’S REPORT

The Superintendent informed the Board on the following:
- Nellie Mae Steering Committee Session Notes
- Destination Imagination Competitions
None

Louise Valliere stated that Nellie Mae Steering Committee member, Andy Mullins, brought up that regionalization is still on the agenda.

Nicole Plourde wanted to know with the science teacher cut where we were with collaboration with SAU 20 and White Mountain Community College. Having a part time teacher does not allow us to offer science electives.

Louise Valliere stated that Unified Sports Tournament Finals was awesome.

Denise Valerino stated that the Science Teacher position should not be cut.

Lynn Moore asked about using VLAC’s, Kevin Carpenter stated there are some courses available but it is not the same as having a teacher.

Louise Valliere requested that Fundraising for Sports be placed on the May 2, 2019 agenda.

On a motion by Lynn Moore, seconded by Denise Valerino, the Board voted to go into nonpublic session at 6:47 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 at 7:23 pm. The motion passed unanimously. No additional votes were taken in nonpublic session.

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

**RE-SIGNATIONS:**

**NOMINATIONS:**

Trista Bruns – Softball Coach – BMS
Brian Oberti – BMS Drama Assistant
Duane Johnson – Baseball Coach - BMS

**RE-NOMINATIONS:**

Peter Peare – Softball Coach- BMS
Mike Smith – Baseball Coach – BMS
Stacy Couture – Girls Track & Field Coach – BMS
Amy Welch – Boys Track A& Field Coach- BMS

All nominations are contingent upon the applicant completing a successful background check and physical. Nicole Plourde, Lynn Moore, Scott Losier and Louise Valliere voted in the affirmative, Denise Valerino voted in the negative. The motion passed by a 4 to 1 margin.

On a motion by Louise Valliere, seconded by Lynn Moore, the Board voted to approve the Best Interest placement of a student. On a roll call vote, all members voted in the affirmative.
AGREEMENTS

On a motion by Louise Valliere, seconded by Scott Losier, the Board voted to approve the Tentative Agreement with AFSCME, Local 1444 as presented. On a roll call vote, all members voted in the affirmative.

On a motion by Scott Losier, seconded by Louise Valliere, the Board voted to approve the Tentative Agreement with the Berlin Education Association, as presented. On a roll call vote, all members voted in the affirmative.

ADJOURN

On a motion by Lynn Moore, seconded by Scott Losier, the Board voted to adjourn its meeting at 7:25 p.m. The motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

[Signature]

Secretary, Berlin Board of Education
MINUTES
BERLIN BOARD of EDUCATION
NONPUBLIC SESSION
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The Board discussed staffing

The Board discussed a Best Interest of the Child request.

The Board reviewed and discussed the Tentative Agreements with AFSCME, Local #1444 and the Berlin Education Association.

On a motion by Denise Valerino, seconded by Louise Valliere the Board voted to come out of nonpublic session at 7:23 p.m. The motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

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Secretary
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