

**Board of Education Meeting
Regular Meeting
Wednesday, February 01, 2017
High School Library
7:00 p.m.**

PRESENT: Susan Filburn
Nancy Fodera – Arrived 7:10
Tony Leva
Jeanne Obermayer
Michael O'Donnell
Dorothy Sellers - Absent
Kevin Schaefer

STAFF PRESENT: Dr. Joseph Dragone, Superintendent of Schools
Brian Sirianni, Clerk of the Board

CALL TO ORDER

Kevin Schaefer called the Board of Education meeting to order at 7:03 pm.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Thomas Riley, 34 Birchwood Lane Ballston Spa, NY, Town of Milton spoke regarding the Veteran's Alternative School Tax Exemption. He read a letter regarding the Board's response to the comments of those attending the last board meeting.

Gene Ratigliano, 18 Kristen Drive Ballston Spa, NY, Town of Milton spoke regarding the disappointment in the response and non-action of the board regarding the Veteran's Alternative School Tax Exemption. He requested the board bring the matter to the voters.

Jim Roth, 608 Cindy Lane Ballston Spa, NY spoke in support of the Veteran's Alternative School Tax Exemption. He encouraged the school district to allow community members to thank those serving by supporting the Veteran's Alternative School Tax Exemption.

Liza Argay, Apple Street Ballston Spa, NY spoke in support of the Veteran's Alternative School Tax Exemption. She encouraged the board to take action during this year's budget vote.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

January 18, 2017– Regular Meeting – Approved as submitted

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Dr. Dragone congratulated members and coaches of the Wrestling Team and wished them the best of luck.

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Dr. Dragone thanked all PTAs involved in making Super Science Saturday a success. He went on to congratulate the Middle School Launching Pad on last week's performances of Willie Wonka. He shared the dates and times of this weekend's performances.

Dr. Dragone stated the Wood Road Chess Club would be hosting a regional competition this Saturday. He stated there were twenty schools and over one-hundred students signed participating. Additionally, he announced there would be an information evening at Clean Tech ECHS on Tuesday, and the PTA would host the annual Founders' Day and Reflections Program Celebration at Gordon Creek on February 13th.

Student Recognition

Mr. Anders Rasmussen recognized a high school student for his character and commitment to the community. He stated the student had won a national contest "Living the Example". He stated that the student would be using the \$500 cash portion of the prize to supply coats to local people that needed them. Mr. Rasmussen shared the winning video.

Mr. Rasmussen also shared that the student had raised \$7000 for St. Baldrick's Foundation, a foundation that raises money for a cure to childhood cancer.

Staff Recognition

Ms. Pam Motler recognized Jessie Santonastaso as being selected as a News Channel 13 Top Teacher. The news clip was shared.

Partner Recognition

Kathleen Chaucer and Madeleine Petraglia recognized Saratoga Hospital for their partnership with the district to provide children in the Milton Terrace School with the benefit of the Regional Food Bank of Northeastern NY's Food Backpack Program.

Ms. Chaucer stated the Baptist Church in Ballston Spa had donated 30 backpacks, and the Living Hope Church of Burnt Hills had volunteers that would pick up the food from the food bank, pack the backpacks and deliver them to the schools. She stated staff members would deliver the packs to students at the end of the day on Friday. She stated the program would February 10th. She thanked Saratoga Hospital and all partners for making the delivery of the program possible.

Dr. Dragone thanked Saratoga Hospital and everyone involved for their support of the great program.

Kevin Schaefer, noting the Board does not normally respond to public comment, responded to the request for a resolution supporting the Veteran's Alternative School Tax Exemption. He stated there would not be a resolution this evening. He stated he seriously apologized if this request had been missed in prior years. Mr. Schaefer stated the exemption, if it could not be addressed this year, would be addressed during the 2019 budget process.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Nancy Fodera stated the Ireland tickets would be available as of tomorrow. She stated the drawing would be on May 5th and that she would have tickets to sell at the next meeting.

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Mr. Schaefer stated the Policy Committee would be placing policies in the folder within the next few weeks. He stated the Committee would be getting all the policies updated this year.

CORRESPONDENCE

None

ANNOUNCEMENTS

None

OLD BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

Resolution #317 - Agreement – Professional Services

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Education of the Ballston Spa Central School District, that the agreement between Oak Hill School and the district, to provide education and/or related services for certain students with disabilities, for the 2016-2017 school year, be and is hereby approved.

MOTION BY Susan Filburn, seconded by Tony Leva that the Board of Education approve Resolution #317 – Agreement – Professional Services

All

Resolution #318 - Acceptance of Donation

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Education of the Ballston Spa Central School District, that the donation from Proctors for Arts in Education, in the amount of \$10,534.00, be and is hereby accepted.

MOTION BY Susan Filburn, seconded by Tony Leva that the Board of Education approve Resolution #318 – Acceptance of Donation

Discussion

Mr. Schaefer stated this was a wonderful donation.

Ayes all

Resolution #319 - Acceptance of Donation

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Education of the Ballston Spa Central School District, that the donation from Ballston Spa Education Foundation for Fall 2016 Grants, in the amount of \$7,970.97, be and is hereby accepted.

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MOTION BY Susan Filburn, seconded by Tony Leva that the Board of Education approve Resolution #319 – Acceptance of Donation

Discussion

Mr. Schaefer stated this was another wonderful donation.

Ayes all

Resolution #320 - Award of Bid – Transportation Contract

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Education of the Ballston Spa Central School District, that the bid award for contract special education transportation to Vanderheyden, in the daily amount of \$204.00, be and is hereby approved:

MOTION BY Susan Filburn, seconded by Tony Leva that the Board of Education approve Resolution #320 – Award of Bid – Transportation Contract

Ayes all

Resolution #321 - Award of Bid – Custodial Supplies

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Education of the Ballston Spa Central School District, to award the bid for custodial supplies, as follows, be and is hereby approved:

VENDOR	AMOUNT
Sam Tell & Son Inc	\$261.25
Hill & Markes Inc	\$4,472.30
Grainger	\$2,540.41
E.A. Morse Inc	\$2,676.00
Pyramid School Products	\$1,005.79
WB Mason	\$12,121.00
Site-One Landscape Supply	\$3,140.00
Quill Corp	\$53.52
Total Bid Award	<u>\$26,270.27</u>

MOTION BY Susan Filburn, seconded by Tony Leva that the Board of Education approve Resolution #321 – Award of Bid – Custodial Supplies

Ayes all

Resolution #322 - Award of Bid – Dry Cooler Replacement

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Education of the Ballston Spa Central School District, that the bid award for the Dry Cooler replacement in the amount of \$25,996.00 go to Posteler & Jaeckle Corp, be and is hereby approved.

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MOTION BY Susan Filburn, seconded by Tony Leva that the Board of Education approve Resolution #322 – Award of Bid – Dry Cooler Replacement

Ayes all

Resolution #323 - Budget Transfers

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Education of the Ballston Spa Central School District, that the Fiscal Year 2016-2017 Budget Transfers for February 1, 2017, be and are hereby approved.

MOTION BY Susan Filburn, seconded by Tony Leva that the Board of Education approve Resolution #323 – Budget Transfers

Ayes all

Resolution #324 - Athletic Field Trip-Ice Hockey

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Education of the Ballston Spa Central School District, to grant permission for the Ice Hockey Team to travel to Alexander Bay, NY, February 3-4, 2017, be and is hereby granted.

MOTION BY Susan Filburn, seconded by Tony Leva that the Board of Education approve Resolution #324 – Athletic Field Trip-Ice Hockey

Ayes all

Resolution #325 - Placement of Students with Disabilities

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Education of the Ballston Spa Central School District, that the said Board arrange placement of the following students as recommended by the District Committee on Special Education, effective February 1, 2017 be and are hereby approved:

Student #275698	Student #23132	Student #25385
Student #25000	Student #23442	Student #275567
Student #19142	Student #272774	Student #272689
Student #273987	Student #275697	Student #19136
Student #275719	Student #275082	Student #20283
Student #18131	Student #18200	Student #275333
Student #275053	Student #273254	Student #24988
Student #272129	Student #25526	
Student #24732	Student #275704	

MOTION BY Susan Filburn, seconded by Tony Leva that the Board of Education approve Resolution #325 – Placement of Students with Disabilities

Ayes all

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Resolution #326 - Placement of Preschool Students with Disabilities

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Education of the Ballston Spa Central School District, that the said Board arrange placement of the following students as recommended by the District Committee on Preschool Special Education, effective February 1, 2017 be and are hereby approved:

Student #275598	Student #275577	Student #275699
Student #274291	Student #274956	Student #274539
Student #275667	Student #275702	Student #275129

MOTION BY Susan Filburn, seconded by Tony Leva that the Board of Education approve Resolution #326 – Placement of Preschool Students with Disabilities

Ayes all

Resolutions #327 - #335 are recognized as a consent agenda for the purpose of Board of Education action.

Resolution #327 - Resignation for the Purpose of Retirement

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Education of the Ballston Spa Central School District that the resignation for the purpose of retirement of the employee(s) listed below, with effective date(s) shown, be and is (are) hereby approved. The Board of Education and administration extend their appreciation to the employee(s) for their dedication to the students of the Ballston Spa Central School District:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>
James Gula	Teacher	8/26/17

Resolution #328 - Resignation

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Ballston Spa Central School District hereby accepts the resignation of the employee(s) listed below, with effective date(s) shown, be and is (are) hereby approved:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>
Jessica Ellis	Special Education Aide	2/01/17
Lisa Major	Senior Clerk	1/26/17

Resolution #329 - Tenure Appointment

BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, by the Board of Education of the Ballston Spa Central School District that the following persons be awarded tenure, be and are hereby approved:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Tenure Area</u>	<u>Commencement Date</u>
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Annetta O'Connor	Reading Teacher	1/10/17
Tyler Williamson	Teaching Assistant	1/06/17

Resolution #330 - Appointment – Extra Duties

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Education of the Ballston Spa Central School District that the following person(s) be appointed to the position(s) indicated below for the 2016-2017 school year, with salary shown, be and is (are) hereby approved:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Salary</u>
Keri Corry	After School Athletic Supervisor	\$15.30/hr.
Keri Corry	After School Detention Supervisor	\$15.30/hr.

Resolution #331 - Permanent Appointment – Support Services

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Education of the Ballston Spa Central School District that the following person(s) be granted permanent appointment to the position(s) indicated below, with effective date(s) shown, be and is (are) hereby approved:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>
Christina Cornell	Bus Driver	3/03/17
Jessica Meaker	Bus Attendant	3/03/17
Tammie Schott	Bus Attendant	2/22/17
Elizabeth Sikoryak	Special Education Aide	2/22/17
Erin Waring	Special Education Aide	3/02/17

Resolution #332 - Increase in Hours – Support Services

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Education of the Ballston Spa Central School District that the following person(s) be granted an increase in hours to the position(s) indicated below with effective date(s) shown, be and is (are) hereby approved:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Max Hrs/Wk</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>
Kelsi Staulters	Cleaner	24	1/30/17

Resolution #333 - Appointment – Support Services

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Education of the Ballston Spa Central School District that the following person(s) be granted appointment to the probationary position(s) indicated below, with hours, salary and effective date(s) shown, be and is (are) hereby approved:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Max Hrs/Wk</u>	<u>Salary</u>	<u>Effective Dates</u>
Ryan Halliday	Groundskeeper	40	\$17.52/hr.	2/07/17-2/06/18

Resolution #334 - Appointment – Adult Education Instructors

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Education of the Ballston Spa Central School District, that the following person(s) be appointed as Adult Education Instructor(s) with effective date(s) shown, be and is (are) hereby approved:

<u>Instructor Name</u>	<u>Salary</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>
Mary Hauert	\$20.40/hr.	2/02/17-6/30/17
Allyson Iovinella-Ostrander	\$20.40/hr.	2/02/17-6/30/17
Janice McPhee	\$20.40/hr.	2/02/17-6/30/17

Resolution #335 - Appointment – Interscholastic Sports Officials

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Education of the Ballston Spa Central School District, that Douglas Watson be appointed as a Sports Official for the 2016-2017 school year with a salary paid according to the agreement between Section 2 and all Section 2 Sports Officials' organizations 2016-2020, be and is (are) hereby approved.

MOTION BY Susan Filburn, seconded by Nancy Fodera that the Board of Education approve Resolutions #327 - 335

All

BSATA, BSTA, CSEA, Student Council, and PTA

Student Council reported working to develop a "cause week" during the month of March to support War Horse. They also reported working on plans for a Spring Dance

PUBLIC COMMENT

Bob Mitchell Town of Milton, stated he would like a public hearing on the Veteran's Alternative School Tax Exemption. He asked that the process be allowed it to take its course. He noted Student Council was working to help War Horse and stated those were the people the alternative tax would support.

Thomas Riley, 34 Birchwood Lane Ballston Spa, NY, Town of Milton stated the veterans were here to help the board to make the right thing happen. He stated they were a goal oriented group that had come with a solution not a competition. He shared a petition with 214 signatures of individuals supporting enacting the Veteran's NYs tax exemption. He noted twice as many non-veterans as veterans had signed the petition.

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION BY, Susan Filburn seconded by Nancy Fodera to adjourn to executive session to discuss the employment of a particular person not to return to public session at 7:46 p.m.

Ayes all

Respectfully submitted,



Brian Sirianni
Clerk of the Board