

**Board of Education Meeting
Regular Meeting
Wednesday, April 17, 2019
High School Library
7:00pm**

PRESENT: Chris Farnan
Jason Fernau
Susan Filburn
Lillian McCarthy
Jeanne Obermayer
Michael O'Donnell
Dorothy Sellers

STAFF PRESENT: Kenneth Slentz, Superintendent of Schools
Brian Sirianni, Clerk of the Board

CALL TO ORDER

Susan Filburn called the Board of Education meeting to order at 7:00 pm

RECOGNITIONS

Kathleen Chaucer recognized the Ballston Spa Rotary Club for their support of the MT Backpack Program, and reminded everyone that the program was in its 3rd year. Additionally, she stated that fifty backpacks were currently being supplied from October to June annually, as well as shared what types of food are in each backpack. Dr. Chaucer noted that Gordon Creek currently has a program, while Wood Road would be starting their program in May. She accepted a \$3,000 donation on behalf of the Ballston Spa Rotary from Donna Dardanis and Linda Doyle.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

April 3, 2019 – Regular meeting approved as submitted

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Mr. Slentz gave an update on the district's priorities and goals regarding communications, and discussed the transition of the District Advancement staffing changes and the re-tasking of positions.

Mr. Slentz gave multiple examples of the changes in communication including the in-house newsletter production and evaluation of external partnerships. He also discussed the internal communication changes within the district, including a communications delivery protocol and increased presence in the buildings. Additionally, Mr. Slentz discussed external communications

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including transparency, trust and consistency, and emphasized the importance regarding safety and security.

Ken Slentz announced the district website would be reconfigured, and an end of year newsletter would be forthcoming. He also stated there would be an in-house community survey at the end of the year to determine areas of strength and areas for improvement.

Mr. Slentz stated the budget development had begun on November 7th and that changes had been made to align the budget with the district's goals. He reminded everyone of the district's mission and discussed the district priorities including the k-12 curriculum, research-based instruction and assessments, and instructional technology. He also discussed ongoing professional learning, minimizing obstacles, aligning staffing structure, and providing a welcoming and safe learning environment.

Mr. Slentz stated that designing targeted meaningful and ongoing professional learning in literacy, mathematics and remedial instruction to support students would support the district in delivering goals. He also discussed minimizing obstacles to learning and maximizing positive student behavior.

Brian Sirianni discussed the first draft of the budget and the recommended adjustments to the latest draft. Mr. Sirianni discussed the budget increase and broke the percentages down for each of the four components of the budget.

Mr. Sirianni discussed the district's revenues, real property taxes, State Aid, PILOTs, and charges for services. He explained the revenue streams for the district, revisited the tax levy cap calculation, and compared the allowable cap figures to the actual budget figures. Mr. Sirianni stated there was a .15% increase to the budget.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

None

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mr. Slentz thanked everyone involved in the parent orientation for kindergarten, and announced that the Taste of Ballston Spa, the Right Under Your Nose Program, the Talent Show, and the Wellness Day Expo, had all been successful.

Mr. Slentz reminded everyone of the upcoming break, and that the next board meeting had been moved to May 8th.

OLD BUSINESS

Mr. Slentz requested Resolution #395 be tabled for discussion and revisited at the May 8th meeting.

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Resolution #395 - Board of Education Policy Manual File 7130-Entitlement to Attend: Age & Residency

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Education of the Ballston Spa Central School District that Board of Education Policy Manual File 7130-Entitlement to Attend: Age & Residency be approved and tabled for the required 28-day period. The Superintendent of Schools or his/her designee is authorized to develop administrative procedures to implement this policy.

MOTION BY Dorothy Sellers, seconded by Michael O'Donnell that the Board of Education to table Resolution #395 – Board of Education Policy Manual File 7130- Entitlement to Attend: Age & Residency

Ayes all

NEW BUSINESS

Resolution #414 - Adoption of 2019-2020 School Budget

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Education of the Ballston Spa Central School District that the annual budget for the 2019-2020 school year, in the amount of \$92,030,147 be and is hereby approved.

MOTION BY Dorothy Sellers, seconded by Michael O'Donnell that the Board of Education to accept Resolution #414 – Adoption of 2019- 2020 School Budget

Ayes all

Resolution #415 - Property Tax Report Card

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Education of the Ballston Spa Central School District, that the Property Tax Report Card for the 2019-2020 school year, be and is hereby accepted and approved.

MOTION BY Dorothy Sellers, seconded by Michael O'Donnell that the Board of Education to accept Resolution #415 – Property Tax Report Card

Ayes all

Resolution #416 - Acceptance of Donation

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Education of the Ballston Spa Central School District, that the Hannaford Helps Schools Program donation to the Wood Road Elementary School, in the amount of \$426.00, be and is hereby accepted.

MOTION BY Dorothy Sellers, seconded by Michael O'Donnell that the Board of Education to accept Resolution #416 – Acceptance of Donation

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Ayes all

Resolution #417 - Establish Scholarship

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Education of the Ballston Spa Central School District, that the following scholarships are hereby accepted and approved:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Criteria</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Project Head Start Scholarship	Awarded to two graduating seniors who participated in Project Head Start that will be continuing their education at a 2 or 4 year college, trade school, or entering the military.	\$275.00 each
Ballston Spa House and Garden Club Award	Award of up to \$200 goes to a graduating senior who has studied horticulture in high school and is planning a career in horticulture or a related field.	Up to \$200
Polyglot Award	Awarded to seniors who have studied both French & Spanish at Ballston Spa High School, and demonstrate a passion for the study of languages and other cultures.	Up to \$200 each
World Languages Higher Education Award	Awarded to a graduating senior that demonstrates a passion for language studies, positively contributes to the classroom environment, and works hard to better his/her language skills and understandings. This award recognizes students who plan to continue World Languages study at a college or university, and who may pursue a career in World Languages Education.	Up to \$300

MOTION BY Dorothy Sellers, seconded by Michael O'Donnell that the Board of Education to accept Resolution #417 – Establish Scholarship

Ayes all

Resolution #418 - Scholarship Criteria

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Education of the Ballston Spa Central School District, that the following scholarship criteria are hereby accepted and approved:

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<u>Name</u>	<u>Criteria</u>	<u>Amount</u>
AD-William R. Scott Memorial Scholarship	Awarded to one or two seniors graduating with a B+ average or higher, who also participated in a sport showing dedication, drive, and exceptional sportsmanship.	\$750 total
The Mangino Scholarship	Awarded by Mangino Chevrolet and Mangino Buick-GMC Inc. to one graduating senior female and male who have been accepted by a 2 or 4 year college, demonstrated academic perseverance, and has a financial need.	\$500 each
The Class of 1956 Peacemaker Prize	Awarded to one graduating senior male and female who exemplify our never-ending search for peaceful means to resolving everyday disputes, conflicts, and other problems, in our families, school, community and world. This prize will be presented for either a single act of courage, a series of projects that raises peaceful resolution of disputes, or continuous work for justice.	\$100 each

MOTION BY Dorothy Sellers, seconded by Michael O'Donnell that the Board of Education to accept Resolution #418 – Scholarship Criteria

Ayes all

Resolution #419 - Scholarship Amount

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Education of the Ballston Spa Central School District, that the following scholarship amounts are hereby accepted and approved:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Criteria</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Franklin Lodge #22 F. & A.M. Scholarship	Awarded to a graduating senior in recognition of their high level of service to their community, who has been accepted to a 2 or 4 year accredited higher education institution or trade school.	Up to \$300
Herbert Tiffault Memorial Award	Awarded to a student who participated in Boys State, shows leadership, and embodies the meaning of serving God and his Country.	Up to \$300

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Jean Jubert Memorial Award	Awarded to a senior who has the desire to exceed academically, and will be continuing his/her education at a college or professional program.	\$200
The Les Amis De La République Française Award	Awarded by the World Languages Department to up to 3 graduating seniors who have shown the utmost interest and achievement in French.	Up to \$300 total
Spirit of LOTE Award	Awarded to students who show enthusiasm and interest in language study.	Up to \$150 each

MOTION BY Dorothy Sellers, seconded by Michael O'Donnell that the Board of Education to accept Resolution #418 – Scholarship Criteria

Ayes all

Resolution #420 - Scholarships Dissolved

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Education of the Ballston Spa Central School District, that the following scholarships are hereby dissolved:

Bernard O. Pohl Award
Class of 91 - Sept 11 Award
Diane Cline Award
Class 2014
Perseverance Through Adversity
Ballston Spa PE Award
Spirit of Ballston Spa Award
Saratoga Physical Therapy
The Ballston Spa Lions Club Memorial Award
Sunset Café Hospitality Award
Coffee Planet Award
Patricia Weick Memorial
Mim Sciangalepore Choral Scholarship
Wayne Soucy Memorial
The Fred Reiners Memorial Scholarship
Adirondack Mountain Club
Lansing Engineering, PC Scholarship
Melanie & Her Saxy Guys Award
Operation Adopt-A-Soldier

MOTION BY Dorothy Sellers, seconded by Michael O'Donnell that the Board of Education to accept Resolution #420 – Scholarship Dissolved

Ayes all

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Resolution #421 - Appointment of Election Inspectors

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Education of the Ballston Spa Central School District, that the persons listed below be appointed as Election Inspectors for the May 21, 2019 annual budget vote, are hereby approved:

Maggie Dinneen, Chief Inspector, Malta Town Hall
Martha Iacolucci, Chief Inspector, High School

Carol Beals
Carol Bojarczuk
Barbara Conner
Donna Dardaris
Eleanor Dillon
Ann Garbiras (*Alternate*)

Linda Grimaldi
Kevin Grucella (*Alternate*)
Deirdre Leland (*Alternate*)
Marcy Melander
Elaine Seagrove (*Alternate*)
Kristin Shaw

MOTION BY Dorothy Sellers, seconded by Michael O'Donnell that the Board of Education to accept Resolution #421 – Appointment of Election Inspectors

Ayes all

Resolution #422 - Field Trip-Robotics Team

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Education of the Ballston Spa Central School District, to grant permission for the FIRST Robotics Team to travel to the FIRST Robotics Championship Tournament in Detroit, MI, April 23-28, 2019, be and is hereby granted.

MOTION BY Dorothy Sellers, seconded by Michael O'Donnell that the Board of Education to accept Resolution #422 – Field Trip – Robotics Team

Discussion

Susan Filburn wished the team good luck.

Ayes all

Resolution #423 - 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 April 17, 2019, be and are hereby approved:

Student #276227
Student #273352
Student #23347
Student #23243
Student #274383
Student #276773

Student #24170
Student #275659
Student #273360
Student #275577
Student #277078
Student #276602

Student #273731
Student #23333
Student #276551
Student #24020
Student #23096
Student #23309

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Student #277114	Student #273189	Student #273047
Student #25803	Student #275272	Student #274693
Student #4937	Student #276602	Student #274643
Student #276991	Student #275474	Student #272751
Student #274430	Student #274956	Student #276319
Student #277116	Student #274939	Student #273994
Student #24055	Student #24455	Student #275956
Student #276227	Student #272985	Student #274923
Student #274357	Student #275403	Student #274827
Student #25448	Student #276549	Student #274532
Student #273490	Student #272305	Student #274430
Student #274964	Student #277548	Student #273283
Student #273360	Student #272231	Student #274509
Student #24537	Student #272248	

MOTION BY Dorothy Sellers, seconded by Michael O'Donnell that the Board of Education to accept Resolution #423 – Placement of Students with Disabilities

Ayes all

Resolution #424 - 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 April 17, 2019, be and are hereby approved:

Student #277166	Student #276986
Student #277158	Student #276570
Student #275510	Student #276581
Student #277169	Student #276211
Student #277016	Student #276304

MOTION BY Dorothy Sellers, seconded by Michael O'Donnell that the Board of Education to accept Resolution #424 – Placement of Preschool Students with Disabilities

Ayes all

Resolutions #425 - #428 are recognized as a consent agenda for the purpose of Board of Education action.

Resolution #425 - 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:

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<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>
Denise Rochette	Teacher	6/30/19

Resolution #426 - Approval – Individual Employee Agreement

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Education of the Ballston Spa Central School District, that the individual employment agreement(s) for the following person(s), be and is (are) hereby approved:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>
Jennifer Knight	Principal Typist	4/29/19-6/30/20

Resolution #427 - Appointment - Co-Curricular Clubs and Activities

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Education of the Ballston Spa Central School District that the following person(s) be appointed to the advisor position(s) to the following clubs and activities for the 2018-2019 school year, with salary shown, be and is (are) hereby approved:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Title, Location</u>	<u>Salary</u>
Theresa DeRagon	Pit Musician / Accompanist	\$31.95/hr.

Resolution #428 - 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>
Tammy Chandler	Special Education Aide	5/3/19

Resolution #429 - 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 probationary appointment to the 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 Date</u>
Alina Rodriguez	Special Education Aide	32.5	\$15.69/hr.	3/15/19-3/14/20
Rosalie Wendling	Bus Attendant	40	\$14.77/hr.	4/18/19-4/17/20

MOTION BY Dorothy Sellers, seconded by Michael O'Donnell that the Board of Education approve Resolution #425– 429

Ayes

MOTION BY Dorothy Sellers, seconded by Michael O'Donnell that the Board of Education accept Walk-On Resolution #430 - 433

Ayes all

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Resolution #430 - Acceptance of Donation

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Education of the Ballston Spa Central School District, that the Hannaford Helps Schools Program donation to the Ballston Spa Middle School, in the amount of \$1,000.00, be and is hereby accepted.

MOTION BY Dorothy Sellers, seconded by Michael O'Donnell that the Board of Education to approve Walk-On Resolution #430 – Acceptance of Donation

Ayes all

Resolution #431 - Establish Scholarship

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Education of the Ballston Spa Central School District, that the following scholarship is hereby accepted and approved:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Criteria</u>	<u>Amount</u>
The Come Back, Get Back, That's the Part of Success Scholarship	Awarded to a graduating BSHS student that has earned college or vocational school credit while attending high school, and demonstrates exceptional academic persistence.	Varies

MOTION BY Dorothy Sellers, seconded by Michael O'Donnell that the Board of Education to approve Walk-On Resolution #431 – Establish Scholarship

Ayes all

Resolution #432 - Memorandum of Agreement – Ballston Spa Teachers' Association

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Education of the Ballston Spa Central School District, that the Memorandum of Agreement between the Ballston Spa Central School District, the Ballston Spa Teachers' Association and Denise Rochette, dated April 16, 2019 be and is hereby approved.

MOTION BY Dorothy Sellers, seconded by Michael O'Donnell that the Board of Education to approve Walk-On Resolution #432 – Memorandum of Agreement – Ballston Spa Teachers' Association

Ayes all

Resolution #433 - Appointment – Interscholastic Sports Coaches

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Education of the Ballston Spa Central School District that the following person(s) be appointed to the coaching position(s) indicated below for the 2018-2019 school year, with salary shown, be and is (are) hereby approved:

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<u>Name</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Salary</u>
Michael Fisher	JV Baseball	\$4,775
Ryan O'Reilly	Modified Baseball	\$3,714

MOTION BY Dorothy Sellers, seconded by Michael O'Donnell that the Board of Education to approve Walk-On Resolution #433 – Appointment – Interscholastic Sports Coaches

Ayes all

BSATA, BSTA, CSEA, Student Council, and PTA

Student Council stated the After Prom Committee was meeting April 29th and that they were accepting new volunteers, as well as donations of items and funds. Student Council also announced that a vote had passed to cancel the Boat Dance due to lack of participation, and the \$500 deposit had been lost.

Student Council announced that a formal proposal for next year's street fair would be completed at their next meeting, and that Student Council elections would be on May 1st and Class Elections would take place on May 17th.

Student Council noted that the Sophomore Class would be holding an ice-cream social to raise money, and that the Easter Bunny Breakfast had been a huge success. Additionally, Student Council announced the speakers for the May 23rd Memorial Day Assembly.

Jason Fernau directed the board members to a letter from the WR PTA President and announced the May 1st Digital and Online Safety event. He stated that Wood Road had been awarded a grant to host the event and invited everyone to attend the pre-dinner. Mr. Fernau stated the event included door prizes and would end by 8:00 pm.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Michael O'Donnell thanked everyone involved with the Spanish Exchange Program and encouraged students involved in French classes to participate in the French Exchange Program next year.

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION BY, Dorothy Sellers seconded by Michael O'Donnell to adjourn the regular meeting at 7:44 p.m.

Ayes all

Respectfully submitted,



Brian Sirianni
Clerk of the Board